

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 23, 11:15AM

Saint Luke Lutheran Church and School

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Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For this we worship and glorify God forever.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Andante Religioso

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ♣ one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days. **Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven And you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN • ELW 601

Savior, When In Dust To You



Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, alt.

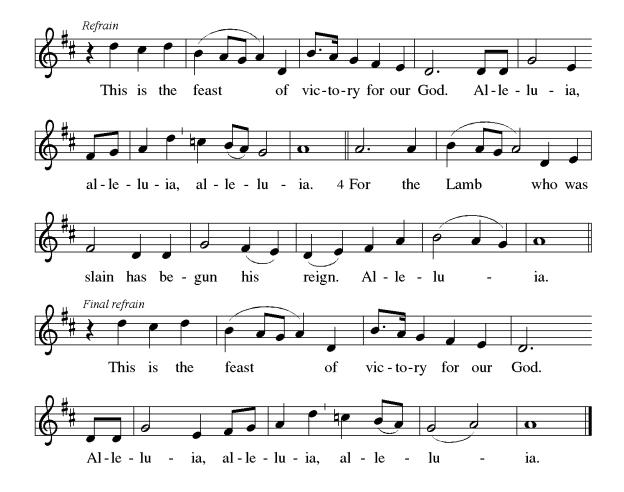
Music: ABERYSTWYTH, Joseph Parry, 1841–1903

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

Word

FIRST READING Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.

Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O Lord, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

Thus says the Lord concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the Lord does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O Lord our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY Psalm 111

The refrain is introduced by the Organ. Please sing the refrain the 2nd time. Please sing all the verses.





How dear to me is your dwelling O [Lord] of hosts!*

My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; ...

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the [liv]-ing God.

The sparrow has found her a house, ...

and the swallow a nest where she may [lay] her young,*

by the side of your altars O Lord of hosts, ... my [King and] my God.

Happy are they who [dwell in] your house!*

They will [always] be praising you.

Antiphon

Happy are the people whose [strength is] in you,* whose hearts are set on the [pil]-grims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a [place] of springs,* for the early rains have covered it with [pools] of water.

They will climb from [height] to height,* and the God of gods will reveal him-[self] in Zion.

Antiphon

SECOND READING 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.

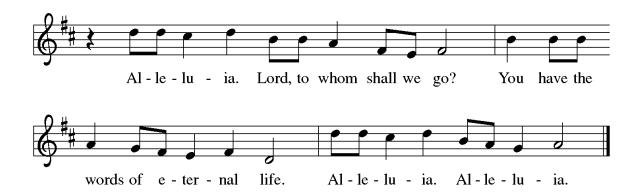
As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL Luke 18:9-14

The holy gospel according to Saint Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

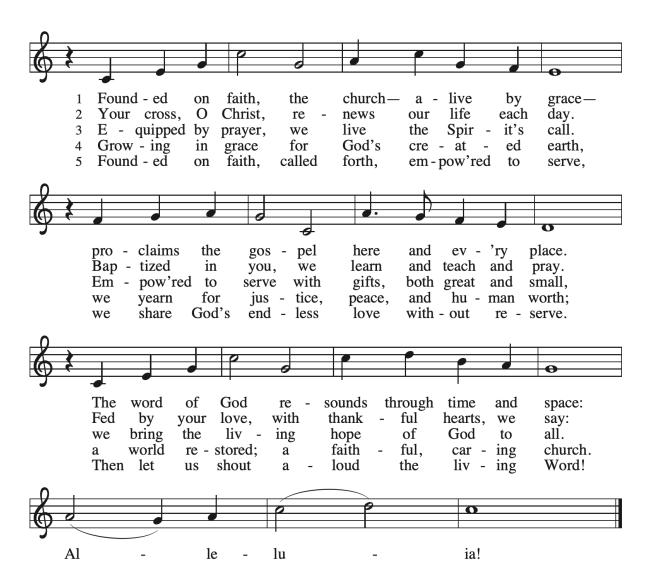
The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Miller

HYMN OF THE DAY• ACS 1048

Founded on Faith



Text: Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

Music: FOUNDED ON FAITH, Paul D. Weber

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APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

After each portion of the prayers:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The prayers conclude:

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please be seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

We invite you to give your offering online at saintlukegive.us

You may also mail your checks to:

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Meditation on "Southwell"

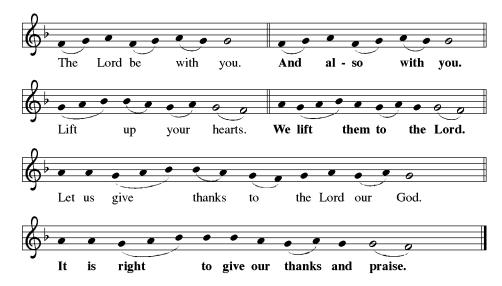
Alan Bullard (b. 1947)

OFFERING PRAYER

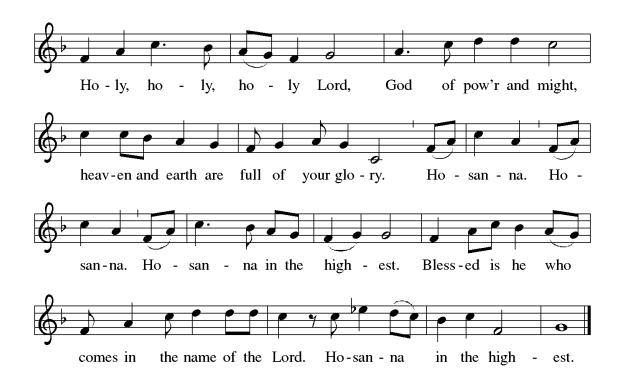
Let us pray.

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.

We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.

We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please pray in your own preferred language.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Padre Nuestro, que estas en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre, venga a nosostros tu reino, hagase tu voluntad, asi en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia; perdona nuestras ofensas, como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden; y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion, mas libranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites us to this table.

Come, taste and see.

Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION

All are invited to the Lord's table, a table of grace and mercy. There are two stations at the foot of the chancel steps. Please stretch out your hand, palm up, to receive the host, the body of Christ. (Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask your server) Then receive in the individual cup the blood of Christ. You may deposit your cup in the basket near the side wall. Those who wish to receive a blessing instead of the Lord's supper are also encouraged to come forward. Those who wish to receive the sacrament in the pew please inform an usher. All are welcome to the Lord's table.

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

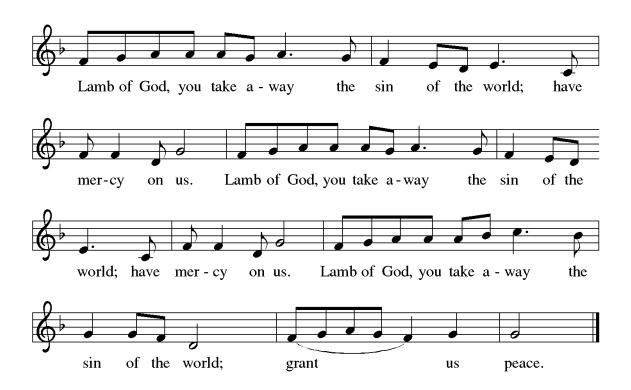
The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say:

Amen.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN• ELW 599

Lord Jesus, Think on Me



from self-ish pas-sions set me free and make me pure with-in. let me your lov-ing ser-vant be and taste your prom-ised rest. through dark-ness and per-plex-i-ty point out your cho-sen way. I may the e-ter-nal bright-ness see and share your joy at last.

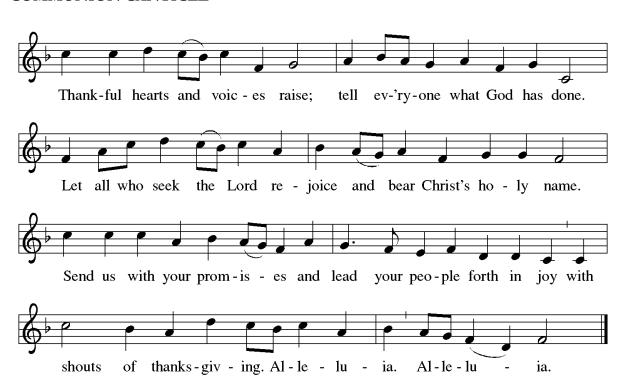
Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt. Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalmes of Dauid*, 1579, alt.

Please stand as you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923 Text and music © 1978, 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN • ELW 815

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



DISMISSAL

Go in peace, with Christ beside you. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Aberystwyth"

David Bednall (b. 1979)

WORSHIP LEADERS

PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Connie A. Miller, *Senior Pastor* The Rev. Franklin Morales, *Associate Pastor*

ASSISTING MINISTER

Deacon Kyle Warfield, Director of Discipleship and Senior High Ministries

COMMUNION SERVER

The Rev. Eleanor Abarno, Pastoral Liaison, Women in Community

MUSICIAN

Dr. Alain Truche, Director of Music and Organist

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This week at Saint Luke Lutheran Church

SUNDAY, October 23—20th Sunday After Pentecost

8:45 AM **Holy Communion THURSDAY, October 27** 10:00 AM Sunday School **CDS Classes** 8:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class 10:00 AM 4:00 PM CARing Project 7:30 PM 10:00 AM Zoom Centering Prayer **SLSHY** Sunday School 10:00 AM 10:00 AM Reception FRIDAY, October 28

11:15 AM **Holy Communion** CDS Classes 8:00 AM 5:00 PM San Lucas Misa Español 7:00 PM Book & Video

MONDAY, October 24 SATURDAY, October 29 8:00 AM CDS Classes 9:30 AM AA

7:00 PM WELCA Board Brass Rehearsal 10:00 AM 6:00 PM 11:00 AM Al-Anon Yoga

TUESDAY, October 25 SUNDAY, October 30—Reformation Sunday

Holy Communion 8:00 AM **CDS Classes** 8:45 AM 1:30 PM **Program Staff Meeting** 10:00 AM Sunday School

4:30 PM Piano Lessons 10:00 AM Affirmation of Baptism Class

Book and Video Discussion Group 7:00 PM **SLSHY** 10:00 AM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM 10:00 AM Sunday School 7:00 PM Reformation Bells 10:00 AM The Forum

Reception 10:00 AM **Holy Communion**

WEDNESDAY, October 26 11:15 AM

Schola Cantorum Rehearsal

7:00 AM **Zoom Faith Connections** 8:00 AM CDS Classes

10:00 AM CDS Chapel NB: Worship Services are in person and livestreamed Women in Community 10:00 AM 5:00 PM Choristers RSCM program

Upcoming Commemorations

AA

James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62

Sunday, October 23, 2022

7:30 PM

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One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.

Philipp Nicolai, died 1608; Johann Heermann, died 1647; Paul Gerhardt, died 1676; hymnwriters Wednesday, October 26, 2022

These great hymnwriters all worked in seventeenth-century Germany in times of war and plague. Nicolai, a pastor, lost 1,300 parishioners to plague, 170 in one week. He wrote "O Morning Star, how fair and bright" and "Wake, awake, for night is flying." Heermann's hymns, including "Ah, holy Jesus," often express the emotions of faith. Gerhardt, perhaps the greatest Lutheran hymnwriter, was a pastor in Berlin.

Simon and Jude, Apostles

Friday, October 28, 2022

We know little about these apostles. Simon is listed as "the zealot" or Cananean in New Testament lists. Jude, also called Thaddeus, asked Jesus at the last supper why he had revealed himself to the disciples but not to the world.

Saint Luke Update 10/23/2022 Edition

THE COVID TRANSMISSION RATE in Montgomery County has for now decreased, so now masks are <u>STRONGLY RECOMMENDED</u> indoors at Saint Luke. Thank you for staying safe and well.

WHAT A GREAT SUCCESS!!

Thank you to all who participated in the congregation service project last Sunday God's Work our Hands. What a fun time and also how wonderful to have assembled 500 personal care kits. These, along with the 500 from VBS, will be dedicated November 20 (along with quilts and baby blankets) and then delivered to the warehouse in Windsor MD. From there Lutheran World Relief will make sure all these are distributed around the world to those in need.

SAN LUCAS MISA ESPAÑOL: ALL INVITED

You are invited to attend worship this evening at 5:00 p.m. Yes, this is the service usually in the Spanish language but thank you for taking time to come and meet others from the Saint Luke community who are unable to worship on Sunday morning. Due to work, many of our brothers and sisters cannot be present Sunday morning so please consider this evening coming and getting to know each other.

REFORMATION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is a good day to wear red. We celebrate the great message that we are justified by grace through faith—such a wonderful gift. It is Reformation Sunday and we will welcome brass, special music and so much more at the morning services. Also...

MEET DR. MARTIN LUTHER

What might Martin Luther, historic reformer, say to us today? Is there a reformation happening today? So often we think of this as something that happened in the 16th century, but how about right now, here in this place, our world, our country, our community? Come to **The Forum**, between the services, next Sunday, hosted by several of our pastors in the sanctuary. You will not want to miss this experience! See you then.

THE BLUE BINS ARE OUT: DONATIONS NEEDED

On **November 13**, the PreK-12th graders will be creating Thanksgiving Bags in the Great Hall, that will be given along with a grocery card to Food Pantry clients on November 18. Items needed for the Thanksgiving Bags are cereal (unsweetened), granola bars, fruit cups, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, and lotion (small bottle) and donations can be placed in the blue bins across from the sanctuary. Donations will be accepted until October 30. Monetary donations can be give at www.saintlukegive.us under the line item "children/youth service project."

DEDICATE ALTAR FLOWERS

What a wonderful way to beautify the altar area as we worship, and at the same time remember or give thanks for a loved on or event, or yes, simply give thanks to God. Thank you for considering dedicating flowers for the altar for Sundays. In order to do so, simply go to www.saintluke.us and in the left hand column click on Dedicate Altar Flowers.

Today's Music

HYMN NOTES

Savior, When in Dust to You

Robert Grant, 1779-1838

The Christian Observer (November 1815) first printed this hymn under the title "Litany," which aptly describes it. Episcopalians in the United States used it before it was included in the posthumous Sacred Poems of the late Rt. Hon. R. Grant. Robert Grant was born in Bengal, India. In addition to hymns, he wrote A Sketch of the History of the East India Company. ELW Hymnal Companion

Founded On Faith

Paul Weber, b. 1949

This hymn by Lutheran pastor and church music professor emeritus Paul Weber encapsulates all the facets of the church. It is founded on faith and sustained by grace. It is the place where the gospel is proclaimed and where the sacraments of baptism and communion are administered. It is where we learn and pray and grow in gifts of the Spirit, which we then carry out into the world to serve God and our neighbors in justice and peace. In the Central States Synod of the ELCA, it was the winning hymn to celebrate the five-hundredth anniversary of the Reformation. - relcarlington.org

Lord Jesus, think on me

Synesius of Cyrene, c. 375-430

Of aristocratic family in North Africa, Synesius wrote nine hymns stating Christian doctrine in terms of neo-platonic philosophy. The hymn is a prayer of Jesus' help in all the times of need in this life and at the time of death. Benjamin Britten used this hymn in "Noye's Fludde" during the storm at sea when Noah feared that the ark would sink.—Hymn Notes for Church Bulletins

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Kathleen Thomerson, b. 1934

Thomerson regards this hymn as a scriptural meditation and prayer, stimulated by a host of biblical verses mostly related to light. Thomerson was born in Tennessee, She studied organ with the famous French organist Jean Langlais, the Flemish organist Flor Peeters and the Swiss organist Guy Bovet. - ELW Hymnal Companion

MUSIC NOTES

Prelude: Andante Religioso—Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

Gigout was a French organist and a composer, mostly of music for his own instrument. The 10 pièces pour orgue (composed 1890) include the Toccata in B minor, Gigout's best-known creation, which turns up as a frequent encore at organ recitals. Also fairly often played, and to be found in the same collection, is a Scherzo in E major. Other notable pieces by Gigout are Grand chœur dialogué (1881), and Marche religieuse. Gigout's works are now available on several commercial recordings.—Wikipedia His Andante Religioso from that same collection is a quiet piece. If you listen carefully, you will hear a canon between the soprano part of the hands and the pedal line that is sustained through the entire piece!

Voluntary at the offering: Meditation on 'Southwell' - Alan Bullard (b. 1947)

Bullard is a British composer, known mainly for his choral and educational music. His compositions are regularly performed and broadcast worldwide, and they appear on a number of CDs. His meditation on the hymn tune "Southwell" is a soft setting with a slight dynamic climax before a quiet ending to the piece.

Postlude: Toccata on "Aberystwyth" - David Bednall (b. 1979)

Bednall is recognized as one of the leading choral composers of his generation. He studied for a PhD in Composition with Profess or John Pickard at the University of Bristol and is signed to Oxford University Press. He is Choral Director at Clifton Cathedral, Sub Organist at Bristol Cathedral, Director of Bristol Chamber Choir and Chew Valley Choral Society alongside an extensive freelance career. He studied with Dr Naji Hakim and David Briggs and was Assistant Organist at Wells Cathedral. - davidbednall.com His *Toccata on "Aberystwyth*" is a mostly loud French toccata style setting of the hymn tune. The tune is found in various keys, both in the manuals, but also in the pedals. Her interpretation of the hymn "Oh, Sing to the Lord" is an exploration of the tune