
✠ TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✠

CELEBRATING STAFF ANNIVERSARIES

ORDER OF WORSHIP • OCTOBER 20, 2024 • 9:00 AM

✠ *Indicates the congregation should stand as able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOME

✠ HYMN

FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT'S POWER
LBW #160, TUNE : NATIONAL HYMN

✠ INVOCATION

WL: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

✠ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

WL: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

All: **Amen.**

WL: Trusting in God's compassion, let us confess our sin and come to
God for healing.

Silence for reflection

WL: Gracious God,

All: **you have called us to be a new community in Christ, and yet we
often remain divided. Forgive our fear, anxiety, prejudice, and
misunderstandings. Strengthen our common bonds and deepen
our resolve to promote the unity of your creation. Help us be one
family of believers who proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ
through our daily living. Amen.**

WL: Beloved children of God, God promises to forgive our iniquity and to
remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the
name of ✠ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are
forgiven. Go now in faith to live as servants and boldly share the
love of Christ with all.

All: **Amen.**

The congregation sits as the Parish Choir sings

HYMN OF PRAISE
by the Parish Choir

WITH A VOICE OF SINGING
BY MARTIN SHAW

*With a voice of singing, declare ye this,
and let it be heard, Alleluia!
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
O be joyful in God, all ye lands
O sing praises to the honor of His name,
Make His praise to be glorious
With a voice of singing, declare ye this,
and let it be heard, Alleluia!*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WL: Let us pray. Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Together with Pastor Green, Pastor Borges, and Eric Gerken, shape us all into willing servants of your kingdom who declare your praise, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

ECCLESIASTES 5:10-20

R: Our first lesson on this Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost is from the fifth chapter of Ecclesiastes.

Whoever loves money never has enough;
whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income.
This too is meaningless.

As goods increase,
so do those who consume them.
And what benefit are they to the owners
except to feast their eyes on them?

The sleep of a laborer is sweet,
whether they eat little or much,
but as for the rich, their abundance
permits them no sleep.

I have seen a grievous evil under the sun:
wealth hoarded to the harm of its owners,
or wealth lost through some misfortune,
so that when they have children
there is nothing left for them to inherit.
Everyone comes naked from their mother's womb,
and as everyone comes, so they depart.
They take nothing from their toil
that they can carry in their hands.

This too is a grievous evil:

As everyone comes, so they depart,
and what do they gain, since they toil for the wind?
All their days they eat in darkness,
with great frustration, affliction and anger.

This is what I have observed to be good: that it is appropriate for a person to eat, to drink and to find satisfaction in their toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given them—for this is their lot. Moreover, when God gives someone wealth and possessions, and the ability to enjoy them, to accept their lot and be happy in their toil—this is a gift of God. They seldom reflect on the days of their life, because God keeps them occupied with gladness of heart.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

HEBREWS 4:12-16

R: The second lesson is from the fourth chapter of Hebrews.

For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

✠ VERSE

ALLELUIA, LORD TO WHOM SHALL WE GO?

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Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

✠ HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 10:23-31

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!”

The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?”

Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.”

Then Peter spoke up, “We have left everything to follow you!”

“Truly I tell you,” Jesus replied, “no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

BLESSING OF THE BIBLES

TODAY’S MESSAGE

THE REV. SCOTT GRESS

By David Ludwig, Jr.



Cantor 1. I have called you by name, you are my
All 2. In the midst of the storm, I am your
 3. Though the wa - ters may rage, I am your
 4. You have called me to die, I am your



own. I'll walk be - side you, I'll live with-
 own. Your hands have shaped me, Your breath has
 own. I am your ves - sel to bear the
 own. You rose be - fore me, You live with-



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 own, to bear your light in dark - est



night, till the dawn.
 night, till the dawn.
 night, till the dawn.
 night, that's the dawn.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

GATHERING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

✠ PREFACE

WL: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

WL: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

WL: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

✠ THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

✠ THE LORD'S PRAYER

WL: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**All: 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.**

✠ PAX DOMINI

WL: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMN

TAKE AND EAT

REFRAIN: **Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you;
Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood, given up for you.**

The verses are sung by the Parish Choir

✠ THE DISMISSAL

WL: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

All: Amen.

Pastor Ken, Pastor Borges and Eric come forward to the chancel

✠ PRAYER OF THANKS AND BLESSING

WL: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty and gracious God, that you have fed us with heavenly food, the body and blood of your Son, uniting us through him in the communion of the Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants, especially Pastor Green, Pastor Borges, and Eric Gerken. Bless them as they continue their calling in ministry. We pray that they may grow in exemplifying the gospel in word and deed. Grant that we, with them, may joyfully serve you all our days and finally rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

Pastor Ken, Pastor Borges, and Eric proclaim the benediction

✠ BLESSING

Eric: The Lord bless you and keep you.

PB: The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

PK: The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

All: Amen.

✠ SENDING HYMN

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

LBW #533, STANZA 3

✠ SENDING

WL: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God.

All are invited to a reception in the courtyard

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