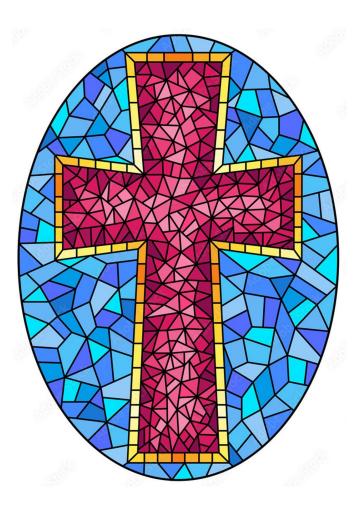
# WATER OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH



TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 6, 2024 \* 8 AM

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PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL 🕂 SEEK THE THIRSTY 🕂 TEACH THE WORD

# + Preparation +

## **OPENING HYMN**

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus

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<ul> <li>I I am trust-ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly</li> <li>I am trust-ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I</li> <li>I am trust-ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son</li> <li>I am trust-ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt</li> </ul>	Thee; bow, flood; lead,
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Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy	free. now. blood.
Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my	need.
5 I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail.	
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me	

- Must prevail.
- 6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall.
   I am trusting Thee forever And for all

#### INVOCATION

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

- P Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I+ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

# + Service of the Word +

# INTROIT

Psalm 127:3-5; antiphon: v. 1a

- P Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.
- C Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.
- P Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth.
- C Blessèd is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.
- C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE (sung)

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Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (sung)

To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

#### SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

#### Genesis 2:18-25

<sup>18</sup>Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup>So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh;

she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

<sup>24</sup>Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### **EPISTLE READING**

<sup>1</sup>Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. <sup>2</sup>For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, <sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, <sup>4</sup>while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

<sup>5</sup>Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. <sup>6</sup>It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him,

or the son of man, that you care for him?

<sup>7</sup>You made him for a little while lower than the angels;

you have crowned him with glory and honor,

<sup>8</sup>putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. <sup>9</sup>But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

<sup>10</sup>For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. <sup>11</sup>For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, <sup>12</sup>saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers;

in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

<sup>13</sup>And again, "I will put my trust in him."

And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me."

- R This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

(Please rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel)

# ALLELUIA (sung)

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Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

#### C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>2</sup>Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" <sup>3</sup>He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" <sup>4</sup>They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." <sup>5</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup>'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

<sup>10</sup>And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. <sup>11</sup>And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, <sup>12</sup>and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

<sup>13</sup>And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. <sup>15</sup>Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." <sup>16</sup>And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

#### THE NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

- And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
  - And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life  $\pm$  of the world to come. Amen.

#### SERMON HYMN

Our Father, by Whose Name

1 Our Fa - ther. by whose name All fa - ther-hood is known. 2 O Christ, Thy - self a child With - in an earth - ly home, 30 Spir - it, who dost bind Our hearts in u - ni - tv. Who dost in love pro - claim Each fam - i - ly Thine own, With heart still un - de - filed. Thou didst to man-hood come; love from self Who teach - est us to find The set free. Bless Thou all par - ents, guard - ing well, With con-stant love as Our chil-dren bless in place That they may all beev -'ry In all our hearts such love in - crease That ev - 'ry home by 1 Thy The homes sen - ti - nel, in which peo - ple dwell. Thy face. may hold And know - ing Thee grow in grace. re - lease be the dwell - ing this May place of peace.

SERMON

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#### OFFERING

#### **OFFERTORY** (sung)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

#### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

# + Service of the Sacrament +

#### PREFACE

Р	The	Lord	be	with	you.	
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- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### SANCTUS (sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

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2 Timothy 4:22

Colossians 3:1

Psalm 136

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#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Lord God, heavenly Father, of Your great goodness You made all things and of Your steadfast love You continued to love what You had made even when we loved You not in return. In the promise laid down through the ages, You pledged to us salvation through the ministry of Your Son, born in our likeness to accomplish our redemption. In His own testament, He established this means of grace by which He would continue to bestow upon us the fruits of His one all-sufficient sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection. Now gathered in His name and at His bidding, we pray You that we may worthily receive this blessed Holy Communion of His body and blood. Hear us now as we pray in His name and in the words He has taught us:

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C 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.

#### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

#### PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

#### AGNUS DEI (sung)

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

**DISTRIBUTION** ~ Welcome to the Lord's table. (An usher will direct you.)

John 20:19

*LSB*, p. 210

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

Eat This Bread



## **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

- P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

## **BENEDICAMUS**

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

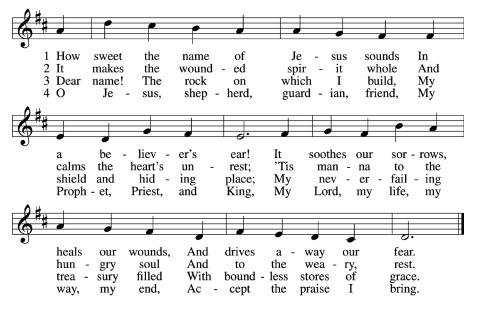
#### **BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you...

C Amen.

# **CLOSING HYMN**

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds



- How weak the effort of my heart, How cold my warmest thought!
   But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.
- 6 Till then I would Thy love proclaim With ev'ry fleeting breath;And may the music of Thy name Refresh my soul in death!

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