

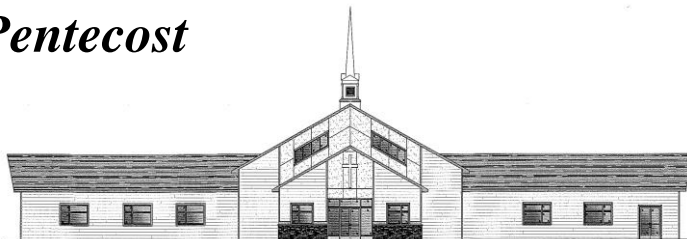
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2024

10:00 a.m. – Holy Communion

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Bryan Anderson



Welcome

*Call to Worship

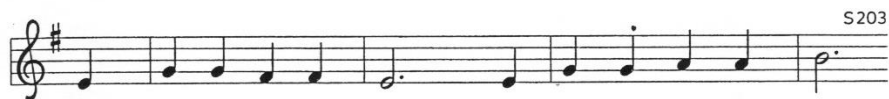
P This is the day the Lord has made.

C Let us rejoice and be glad. †

*Opening Hymn #165 (LBW) – Holy, Holy, Holy

*Prayer of the Day

*Confession of Sin



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.

2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.

3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.

Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

P Let us examine ourselves before the Lord.

(Self-examination)

C **Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice but you take no delight in burnt offerings. The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit, a broken and contrite heart you will not despise. Have mercy on me according to your loving kindness, in your great compassion blot out my offenses. Wash me from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.**

*Promise of Grace

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 5:15-20

We leave this world just as we entered it - with nothing. In spite of all our work there is nothing we can take with us. **16** It isn't right! We go just as we came. We labor, trying to catch the wind, and what do we get?

17 We get to live our lives in darkness and grief, worried, angry, and sick. **18** Here is what I have found out: the best thing we can do is eat and drink and enjoy what we have worked for during the short life that God has given us; this is our fate. **19** If God gives us wealth and property and lets us enjoy them, we should be grateful and enjoy what we have worked for. It is a gift from God. **20** Since God has allowed us to be happy, we will not worry too much about how short life is.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:6-13

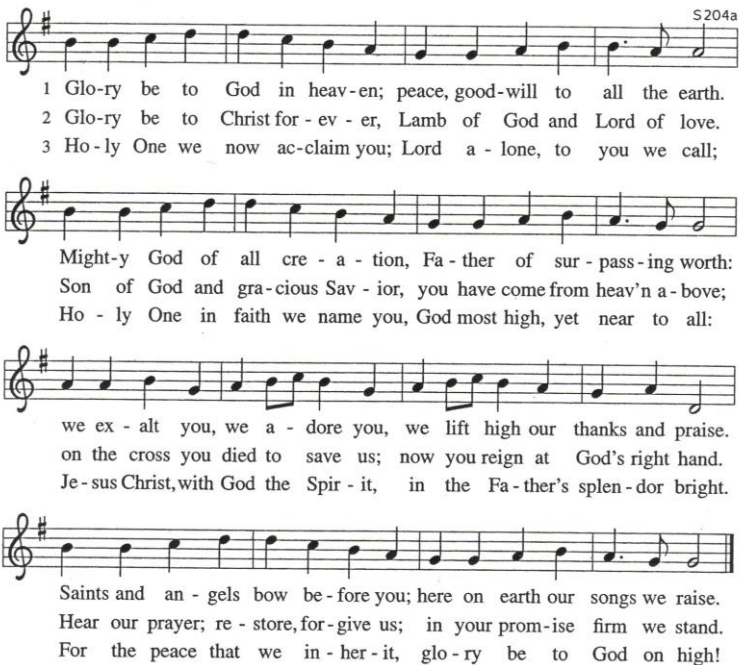
Those who first heard the Good News did not receive that rest, because they did not believe. There are, then, others who are allowed to receive it. **7** This is shown by the fact that God sets another day, which is called "Today." Many years later he spoke of it through David in the scripture already quoted: "If you hear God's voice today, do not be stubborn." **8** If Joshua had given the people the rest that God had promised, God

would not have spoken later about another day. **9** As it is, however, there still remains for God's people a rest like God's resting on the seventh day. **10** For those who receive that rest which God promised will rest from their own work, just as God rested from his. **11** Let us, then, do our best to receive that rest, so that no one of us will fail as they did because of their lack of faith. **12** The word of God is alive and active, sharper than any double-edged sword. It cuts all the way through, to where soul and spirit meet, to where joints and marrow come together. It judges the desires and thoughts of the heart. **13** There is nothing that can be hid from God; everything in all creation is exposed and lies open before his eyes. And it is to him that we must all give an account of ourselves.

Children's Message

Hymn of Praise

S204a



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;

Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
 Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
 Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:

we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
 on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
 Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.

Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
 Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
 For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho, and as Jesus was leaving with his disciples and a large crowd, a blind beggar named Bartimaeus son of Timaeus was sitting by the road. **47** When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus! Son of David! Have mercy on me!" **48** Many of the people scolded him and told him to be quiet. But he shouted even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" **49** Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man. "Cheer up!" they said. "Get up, he is calling you." **50** So he threw off his cloak, jumped up, and came to Jesus. **51** "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. "Teacher," the blind man answered, "I want to see again." **52** "Go," Jesus told him, "your faith has made you well." At once he was able to see and followed Jesus on the road.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #439 (LBW) – What a Friend We Have in Jesus

*Prayers of the Church

*Lord's Prayer

*Words of Institution

Distribution (Lamb of God)

S208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Announcements

Blessing

Dismissal

P Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



You are invited to use our QR code for online giving.
Offering is also received in the plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.

Organist: Brian Wick
Reader: Natalie Petersen
Ushers: Keith Anderson & Dave Somsen
Greeters: Neil & Emily Larson and Tim & Patti Wyss
Counter: Dan Cain
Altar Guild: Hannah Eckwall
October 13th Worship Attendance: 8:30 AM – 23; 10:00 AM – 119; Total: 142

GIVING

Total offering for September \$18,778.65 (*\$20,728.08 needed monthly*)
September year to date offering \$163,867.93 (*\$186,552.76 YTD Budget*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all who join in worship today, especially any visitors. Guests are invited to fill out the visitor slip so we can become better acquainted. All are invited to a fall dessert bar sponsored by youth in the hall after worship. A free-will offering will be taken with monies supporting the High School Mission Trip.

We keep the following in our prayers and acts of love: Dixie Croes, Dennis Luehman, Levi Ramsey, Cyndy Witthoft (sister of Deann Wagner), and Ashley & Hayden (Nancy & Roy McQuinn's granddaughter & husband) deployed to Middle East. *If you want to be included on the public prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Flowers in church today are given by Brian, Kathy, Evan, Jess, Maddax & Maryn Wick in memory of Jana Wick's birthday and in honor of Brian's mother, Jane's birthday.

My Devotions family devotionals are available to pick up in the entry. Use this resource to bring Christ into your home every day with your children.

Quilting Ministry Volunteers Needed: Join our quilting ministry and help spread warmth and comfort to those in need. We have lost several members. We are seeking volunteers to assist with quilting projects that benefit Lutheran World Relief. Tasks: cutting fabric, piecing quilts, binding and tying. No experience necessary! We will provide guidance and instruction. Quilters meet Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. Contact Dawn Peterson (715-263-2385) for questions.

Tickets are now available for the general raffle. All raffle items are now on display. Please help by buying or selling raffle tickets. Tickets are available in the church office or from Kathy Wick.

Our popular basket raffle is planned to go along with our church dinner in November. Fill a basket with a gift theme. Empty baskets are available in the entry.

Fall Dinner Lefes Work Days – Monday, October 28th & Tuesday October 29th: 9:00 AM and Monday, November 4th & Tuesday November 5th: 9:00 AM. Volunteers are needed to help peel potatoes on Monday and with rolling lefse on Tuesday. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the entry.

Sign-up sheets for workers and food donations for the Fall Dinner are in the entry. Take one or more food donation Post-it notes from the board and record your donation on the sheet.

Shopping cards for Nilssen's, True Value, and Kwik Trip are available every Sunday between services from the Lutheran Men in Mission for Christ. The men receive back a percentage of the sales for mission projects.

THIS WEEK

Today 9:00 AM-Noon-Fall Dessert Bar served by Mission Trip Youth

11:00 AM-New Member Orientation

11:00 AM-Choir Practice

Monday 7:00 PM-Compassionate Friends Meeting

Pastor at Amplify Evangelism Conference (Oct. 21-23)

Tuesday 9:00 AM-Quilting

Wednesday NO CONFIRMATION OR YOUTH GROUP

Saturday 7:00 AM-Women's Book Study

Next Sunday 8:30 AM-Contemporary Worship

9:30 AM-Fellowship

9:40 AM-Sunday School

10:00 AM-Traditional Worship with Confirmation Service

11:00 AM-Fellowship

11:00 AM-Choir Practice