

✝ TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ✝

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The Son of God Has Redeemed Us for Himself with His Holy and Precious Blood

The Christian seeks spiritual wealth. This Sunday's readings are centered around the very ancient Prayer of the Day. For nearly 1600 years God's people on this day have prayed that God might give them true spiritual wealth. "Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised." What a magnificent prayer for the materialistic world in which we live!

Our lessons today show people who have come into great wealth. However, this earthly wealth only serves to illustrate where true treasure lies. Today we see that true, spiritual wealth can only be found in God and his eternal blessings for us in Christ. He has searched for us and found us in love, and he has bestowed on us great value by the great price that he has paid on the cross. In his joy, he has redeemed us by his death and resurrection and gathered us into his Kingdom by the Gospel.

✚ DIVINE SERVICE I ✚

THE PREPARATION

(Job 11:13-15; Psalm 25; Isaiah 40:3-5; Hebrews 4:16)

OPENING HYMN

477 *"What Is the World to Me"*



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mon - ey
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my



plea - sure When you, and you a - lone, Lord
might - y, Yet nev - er once re - flects That
of - fers, Yet nev - er is con - tent Though
trea - sure, My life, my health, my wealth, My



Je - sus, are my trea - sure! You on - ly, dear - est
they are frail and flight - y. But what I tru - ly
gold should fill its cof - fers. I have a high - er
friend, my love, my plea - sure, My joy, my crown, my



Lord, My soul's de - light shall be; You are my
prize A - bove all things is he, My Je - sus,
good; Con - tent with it I'll be; My Je - sus
all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly. Once more then



peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
 he a - lone. What is the world to me!
 is my wealth— What is the world to me!
 I de - clare: What is the world to me!

INVOCATION (Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

** Please stand.*

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS (1 John 1:8-9)

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

** Please remain silent for reflection on God's Word and for repentant self-examination.*

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

KYRIE – LORD, HAVE MERCY (Mark 10:47; Luke 17:12-13)



Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
 on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

HOLY ABSOLUTION (John 20:19-23)

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – GLORY TO GOD (Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -
ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the
high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



SALUTATION (Ruth 2:4; 2 Timothy 4:22)

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY (Philippians 4:6; Matthew 18:19-20)

M: Let us pray.

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

** Please be seated.*

THE WORD

(Romans 10:17; Acts 2:42; 2 Timothy 3:16,17)

FIRST LESSON 1 Kings 3:5-12

** After the reading of the Lesson:*

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 119b

** Pastor will speak the initial refrain, and then the first half of each Psalm verse.*

The congregation will respond with the second half of each verse, and join Pastor in the other refrains.

On Saturday, the psalm will be sung by the cantora.

M: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

M: Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees;

C: then I will keep them to the end.

M: Give me understanding, and I will keep your law

C: and obey it with all my heart.

M: Direct me in the path of your commands,

C: for there I find delight.

All: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

M: Turn my eyes away from worthless things;

C: preserve my life according to your Word.

M: Fulfill your promise to your servant,

C: so that you may be feared.

M: How I long for your precepts!

C: Preserve my life in your righteousness.

**All: 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.**

All: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:28-30

** After the reading of the Lesson:*

M: The Word of Our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

VERSE OF THE DAY John 6:68 (Psalm 150; Revelation 19)

M: Alleluia. “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” Alleluia.

GOSPEL OF THE DAY Matthew 13:44-52

** Please stand.*

The pastor processes to the nave floor for the reading of the Gospel, symbolizing Christ's presence among us in his Word.

M: The Holy Gospel for Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, according to St. Matthew, chapter thirteen.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

** After the reading of the Gospel:*

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

** Please be seated.*



1 My God will nev - er leave me, And I will
 2 When hu - man thought and ac - tion Shall un - a -
 3 God shall be my re - li - ance In sor - row's
 4 Oh, praise him for he nev - er For - gets our
 5 And when the world will per - ish With all its



not leave him; A light my God will give me In
 vail - ing prove, God grants me his pro - tec - tion And
 dark - est night; Its dread I bid de - fi - ance When
 dai - ly need; Oh, blest the hour when - ev - er To
 pride and pow'r, All that the world may cher - ish Will



path - ways dark and grim. He reach - es out his hand,
 shows his pow'r and love. He helps in ev - 'ry need,
 he is at my right. I un - to him com - mend
 him our thoughts can speed, For all the time we spend
 van - ish in that hour. But though in death they make



His might - y pow - er shar - ing, My bur - dens
 From sin and shame re - deems me, From chains and
 My bod - y, soul, and spir - it— They are his
 With - out him is but wast - ed, Till we his
 The deep - est grave our cov - er, When there our



ev - er bear - ing Wher - ev - er I may stand.
 bonds re - claims me; From death I, too, am freed.
 own by mer - it— All's well, then, at the end.
 joy have tast - ed, The joy that has no end.
 sleep is o - ver, Our God will us a - wake.

SERMON

Matthew 13:44-52

NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10; Philippians 2:10-11)

** Please stand.*

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

** Please be seated.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC 349 “Jesus, Priceless Treasure”

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH – SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (1 Timothy 2:1-6; Ephesians 6:18)

** Please remain seated.*

The Christian Church has traditionally marked August 15th as a day to thank God for his work through St. Mary, Mother of Our Lord. We will recognize this minor festival in our prayers today.

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

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 SACRAMENT

(Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11)

PREFACES

** Please stand.*

M: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22; 2 Thessalonians 3:16)

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1; Lamentations 3:41)

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

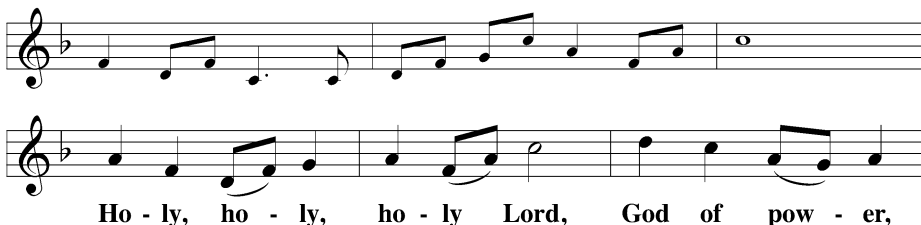
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. (Psalm 107:1; Psalm 136)

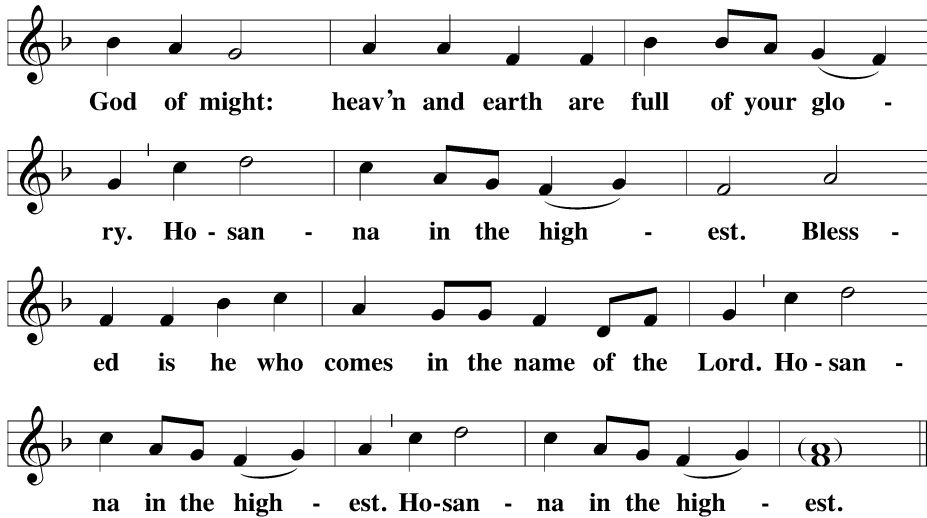
C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

SANCTUS – HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)





WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-24)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

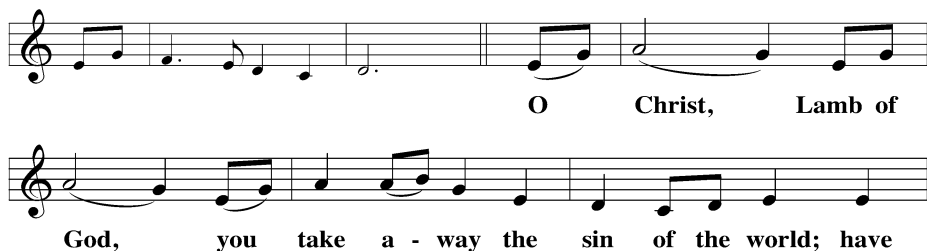
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

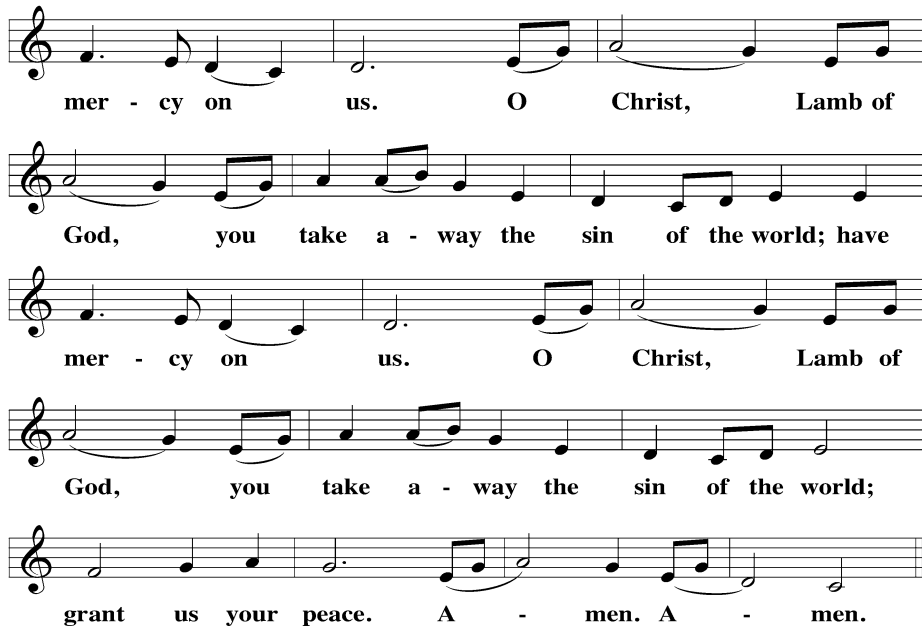
PAX DOMINI – THE PEACE OF THE LORD (John 20:19)

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

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI – O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (John 1:29; Isaiah 53:7)





* Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (1 Corinthians 11:26)

Personal Prayer before Holy Communion

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC 312 "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

Personal Prayer after Holy Communion

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS – SONG OF SIMEON (Luke 2:29-32)

** Please stand.*



The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef. The first staff begins with a C-clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with a half note at the end of the first phrase. The lyrics are: "In peace, Lord, you let your". The second staff continues the melody with eighth and quarter notes, ending with a quarter rest. The lyrics are: "ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my". The third staff begins with a key signature change to two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and continues with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: "eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for". The fourth staff continues with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: "ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the". The fifth staff concludes the piece with a final cadence, including a half note and a quarter rest. The lyrics are: "glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el."

In peace, Lord, you let your
ser - vant now de - part ac - cord - ing to your word. For my
eyes have seen your sal - va - tion, which you have pre - pared for
ev - 'ry peo - ple, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the
glo - ry, the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

THANKSGIVING (Psalm 118:1)

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

AARONIC BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:24-26)

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen.

* Please be seated.

CLOSING HYMN

755 v 1 "Your Kingdom, O God"



1 Your king-dom, O God, is my glo - ri - ous trea - sure, My
2 Your king-dom, O God, is a - live with the pow - er Your
3 Your king-dom, O God, is a field for the grow - ing Of



pearl of in - com - p'ra - ble worth. Its
Word and your Spir - it be - stow. Like
seeds that your mer - cy has sown, But



val - ue ex - ceeds ev - 'ry stand - ard of mea - sure, Sur -
yeast, they af - fect the whole mea - sure of flour, En -
still in our midst is the en - e - my sow - ing The



pass - ing the wealth of the earth. Lord,
a - bling your king - dom to grow. Em -
weeds that im - per - il your own. Sus -



give me your grace and the pow'r of the Spir - it To
pow - er me, Lord, as I live your com - mis - sion, Though
tain me, O Lord, till your day of re - turn - ing And



val - ue this trea - sure a - right That,
hum - ble my ser - vice may be, And
har - vest me home - ward at last, To



nev - er al - lured by the world, I in - her - it Your
bring ev - 'ry plant - ing to per - fect fru - i - tion, A
shine in the home - land that qui - ets all yearn - ing, Where



king - dom of glo - ry and light.
mus - tard seed grown to a tree.
sor - row and dan - ger are past.

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Personal Prayer for after Worship

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. In your Name, I pray. Amen.

Special thanks to: Amy Hermanson for serving as cantora, Ben Leyrer for recording video of the service; and Peter Hermanson for playing the music.

Offering: If you have an offering, you can place it in the box in the narthex, mail it to the church, or give online via the link on our church website. Thank you for your financial support of our congregation.

"About the Propers," a document explaining the changeable parts of the service, and ***"The Congregation at Prayer,"*** a document offering suggestions for daily devotions and Scripture readings are posted on our website.

Thank you for joining us as we together worshiped our Triune God. The Lord be with you this week!

Please contact Pastor Berg if you are need of any pastoral care during the week.

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