



Arlington Hills Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 23, 2022

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20th Sunday After Pentecost

Introduction

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.

Prelude **“For the Fruit of All Creation”** **arr. Mark Albrecht**

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Greeting

Luke 18:14

P: Alleluia. All who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted

All: Alleluia.

Confession and Forgiveness

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

All: Amen.

P: 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,

All: 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.

P: 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.

All: Amen.

Please stand if you are able

Gathering Hymn "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" ELW# 658
Verses 1, 2, 3 & 4 – found on pages 18-19

Apostolic Greeting

P: 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.

Please be seated

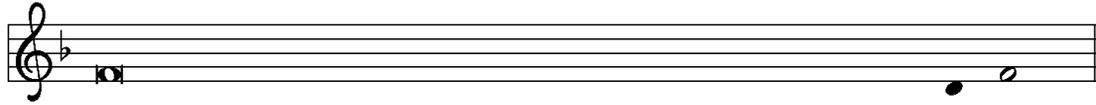
Kyrie

P:

All:



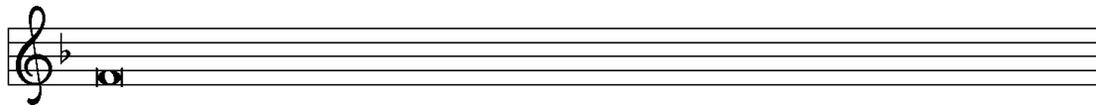
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



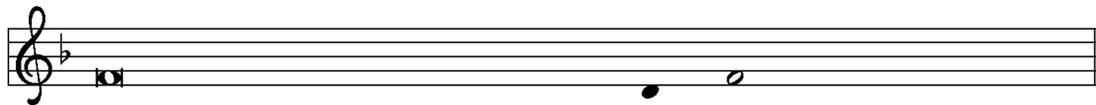
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



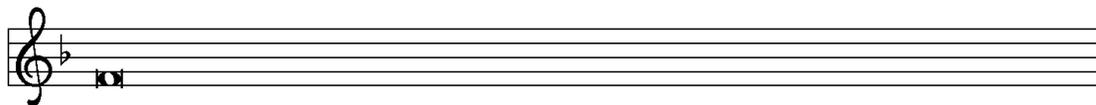
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



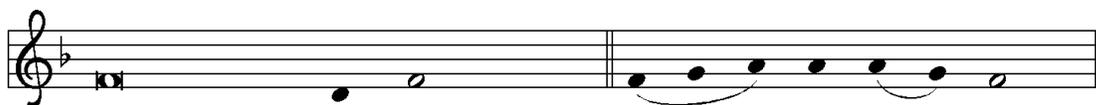
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



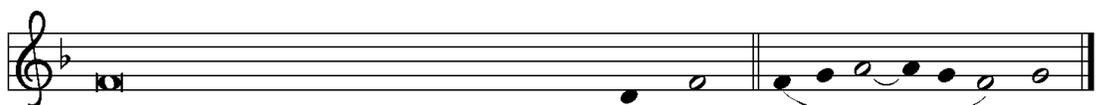
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

This is the Feast

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

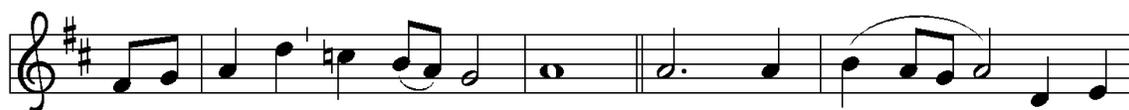


glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

P: 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.

All: Amen.

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.

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you.

⁸O 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? ⁹Why 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!

¹⁰Thus 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.

¹⁹Have 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. ²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. ²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. ²²Can 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.

Psalm: Psalm 84:1-7 (read responsively by whole verse)

Happy are the people whose strength is in you. (Ps. 84:5)

AM: ¹How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!

All: ²**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

AM: ³Even the sparrow has found a home, 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.

All: ⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.

AM: ⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

All: ⁶Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

AM: ⁷They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

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.

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From 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.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But 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. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

AM: Word of God, Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able

Gospel Acclamation

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.

P: The holy gospel according to Luke the 18th Chapter
All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

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.

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt.¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The 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. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But 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!’ ¹⁴I 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.”

P: The gospel of our Lord.
All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated

Sermon **“In all ways pray. Pray always.”** **Intern Becky Sliva**

Please stand if you are able

Hymn of the Day **“For the Fruit of All Creation”** **ELW# 679**
Verses 1, 2 and 3 found on pages 20-21

Apostle’s Creed

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.

Please be seated

Prayers of Intercession

AM: *Each prayer will end with:* Hear us, O God.

All: **Your mercy is great.**

Please stand for the sharing of the peace

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

MEAL

Offering Music “Lord, Listen to Your Children” arr. Jack Schrader

Please stand if you are able

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful *Offering Song*

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

P: 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.

All: Amen.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.

Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

Please be seated

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

. . . For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Lord's Prayer

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

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Table Blessing

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

All: Amen

Prayer after Communion

P: 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.

All: Amen.

Please stand if you are able

SENDING

Sending Hymn

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”
Verses 1, 2, 5, and 6 - found on pages 22-23

ELW# 632

Blessing

P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

All: Amen.

Postlude

“Postlude in C Major”

H. Rinck

Dismissal

P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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Leading Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. Orval Osmundson and Intern Becky Sliva
Music: Barbara Rossow
Assisting Ministers: Valerie and Orval Osmundson
Ushers: Charles and Elaine Rohrbach and David Almquist
Hospitality: Tom and Kathy Brackey
Livestream Producer: Silvester Vivic
Song Leader: Paul Kowitz

Announcements

Please pray this week for AHLC Members and friends:

Dean Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Wayne Blossey, Margaret Cleary, Jerry Ekblad, Richard Edge, Peggy Engh, Dona Haberman, Esther Hallgren, Adeline Hansen, John Hollman, , Richard Johnson, Shirley Johnson, Tyler King, Jan Kowitz, Velta Krauze, John Lind, Linda Nyberg , Tom Nyman, Deb Perry, Priscilla Reeve, Betty Richter, Jackie Staples, Ken Wagner, Gary Winter, and MaryAnn Wistrom.

Sunday, October 30,

Join us on Reformation Sunday at the 9:30 service as we enjoy the music of Agape Quintet. If you'd like, wear red that day.

Sunday, November 6, All Saints Day

Sunday, November 13, The Bach Event – Grace Lutheran Church

Sunday, November 20, Christ the King Sunday

Saturday, November 26, Christmas Craft & Bake Sale at Gustavus Adolphus

Sunday, November 27, First Sunday of Advent

Happy October Birthdays!

Dean Anderson	October 2	Betty Swanson	October 15
Rebecca Ebert	October 2	Barb Schmidt	October 15
David Lauver	October 3	Jim Persoon	October 16
Silvester Vivic	October 3	Ryan Henk	October 17
Ione Elkins	October 4	Don Gritzmaker	October 18
Robert Groth	October 4	Joann Groth	October 25
Martha Alkins	October 4	Richard Anderson	October 25
Orv Osmundson	October 5	Michelle Hanggi	October 25
Lynn Boogren	October 7	Bev Stickler	October 30
Kristin Vogelpohl	October 10		

Happy Anniversary

Jim Person and Barb Schmidt	October 18	47 years
Cindy and Mark Schrieber	October 25	48 years

The National Lutheran Choir's Christmas Festival

Join the NLC this holiday season for the 37th annual Christmas Festival, **Jesus Christ Yesterday, Today, Forever**. Concerts will be held December 9th and 10th at the Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis, and a livestream of the concert will be available during the 8pm concert on the 9th. Visit NLCA.com for tickets and more details!

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1669 ARCADE STREET (AT LARPEN TEUR) • SAINT PAUL
presents our
CHRISTMAS CRAFT AND BAKE SALE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2022
9:00 AM — 3:00 PM

*MORE THAN SIXTY ARTISAN VENDORS
EGG ROLLS FROM THE EGGROLL QUEEN
DELICIOUS HOMEMADE BAKE SALE*

*JOIN US FOR THIS EASTSIDE SAINT PAUL TRADITION
PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE GUSTAVUS CONGREGATION*

*Christmas
Craft Fair*

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
 2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
 3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
 turn, blest, when by faith we hold you fast.
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
 Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

- 1 O Jesus, joy of loving hearts,
the fount of life, the light of all:
from ev'ry bliss that earth imparts
we turn, unfilled, to hear your call.

- 2 We taste you, ever-living bread,
and long to feast upon you still;
we drink of you, the fountainhead;
our thirsting souls from you we fill.

- 3 For you our restless spirits yearn,
where'er our changing lot is cast;
glad, when your smile on us you turn,
blest, when by faith we hold you fast.

- 4 O Jesus, ever with us stay!
Make all our moments fair and bright!
Oh, chase the night of sin away!
Shed o'er the world your holy light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808-1887, alt.

For the Fruit of All Creation

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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 Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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For the Fruit of All Creation

- 1 For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

- 2 In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

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O God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 bears all our years away;
 we fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 still be our guard while troubles last
 and our eternal home!

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
 Music: ST. ANNE, William Croft, 1678–1727

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home:

- 2 Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defense is sure.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

- 6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

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