

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2024 Mission Sunday

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (pg. 56 LBW)

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

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

ALL: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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 us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

LBW #423 “Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service”

GREETING (pg. 57 LBW)

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

KYRIE (pgs. 57-58 LBW)

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: 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. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE (pgs. 60-61 LBW)

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. Refrain.
Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. Refrain.
Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain.
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Refrain.

SALUTATION (pg. 62 LBW)

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. P: Let us pray.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your name; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

FIRST LESSON: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

Pew Bible pg. 700

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 119:9-16

L: How shall a young man cleanse his way? By keeping to your words.

C: With my whole heart I seek you; let me not stray from your commandments.

L: I treasure your promise in my heart, that I may not sin against you.

C: Blessed are you, O LORD; instruct me in your statutes.

L: With my lips will I recite all the judgments of your mouth.

C: I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees than in all manner of riches.

L: I will meditate on your commandments and give attention to your ways.

C: My delight is in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 4:1-16

Pew Bible pg. 1256

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 62 LBW)

Congregation Sings: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:23-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 10th chapter. Congregation sings: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The Gospel of the Lord. Congregation sings: Praise to you, O Christ. (Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Pastor Jay Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW #397 "O Zion, Haste"
(Sung to the tune of LBW #532 - "How Great Thou Art")
(Please rise as you are able)

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.

OFFERING

“The Commission” by Cain

Monica Carico

OFFERTORY (pg. 66 LBW) (Please rise) Congregation Sings: Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (pg. 67 LBW) P: Merciful Father, C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (pgs. 68-69 LBW)

P: The Lord be with you. 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 indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

LAMB OF GOD (pg. 72 LBW) Congregation Sings: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE & PRAYER (pgs. 72 LBW) (Please rise as you are able) Congregation sings: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

WOV #723 “The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve”

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

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*“God, you have promised: “When [those who know my name] call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble” (Psalm 91:15, NRSV).
I pray for anyone here today who needs this assurance. Amen.”*

NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:

Loretta Overholt Joyce Higgins
Family of Michelle Tatar (daughter/Jim & Pam Cheek)
Family of Jennifer Birkey (friend/Terri Kirby)

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Denny Doyle	Pastor Barb Busboom	Rodney Larkin	Rich Friemel
Tyler Edwards	Geraldine Gorecki	Lee Briggs	Debbi Dietz
Carla Adkins	Kim Wyre	Jessica Hawn	Earl Smith
Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser	William Benton
Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat
Bob & Jenny Hobby	Nick Shepherd	Michael Markarian	Joyce Keith
Bob Selby	Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival	Joyce Williamson

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Ruth Lutz	Janet Withers
Joan Mathis	Genet Dixon	Shorty Baugher	

MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):

Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod	Kasey Fenimore
Brian Griswold	Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti	Riley Falletti

TABLE GUILD	Sally Bauer, Emily Deal
ACOLYTES	Carson McClain, Liam Hall
BULLETIN GREETERS	Aubrie Albers, Daphnie Albers
GREETERS	Sue Coffin, DeAnn McMorris
LECTOR	Aubrie Albers
PRAYER LEADER	Sheila Sherman
WORSHIP STEWARD	Terry Doyle
USHERS	Wendy Watkins, Sue Coffin, Leah Graves

WELCOME Beloved of Christ, welcome to worship, faith education and Christian fellowship this day. May you sense the embrace of God's love through the people you interact with here.

BROADCAST OF THE SERVICE TODAY is provided by *Neal & Sally Bauer* in celebration of their 26th Wedding Anniversary on October 23rd.

MISSION SUNDAY is where we have an opportunity to hear stories of what Jesus has done. Today, we welcome back Pastor Jay Johnson to share about two specific international missions—*World Mission Prayer League* with a particular concern for the people of Bangladesh India and for which he has been connected for many years, and Pastor Philip Sandi's *Way of the Cross* Mission school in Sierra Leone Africa. These organizations are our *focus for giving* this Mission Festival Sunday and through the end of the year. Let us be a blessing to these missions. Praise be to God.

MISSION SUNDAY PRESENTATION After worship service TODAY, come to the Youth Hall for a time of fellowship with Pastor Jay Johnson and his wife, Jackie, to learn more about international missions from their 30+ years of firsthand experiences. Jackie will have artisan products from Bangladesh on display and for sale. Pastor and Jackie welcome a Q&A time. Light refreshments will be served. We hope you will make time to attend.

ANNUAL QUILT SALE is being held today and next Sunday, October 27th. The quilts on display in the Sanctuary are available for purchase for \$35.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE & MEAL is held each week with our time of fellowship and meal at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Room then move to the Martin Luther Room at 6:30 p.m. for our time of prayer. This time of prayer is devoted to all aspects related to the call of a pastor - praying for our call committee, congregation, Mission District Dean, the pastor (& family) to be called, and any other related needs as the call process continues. All are invited and welcome to attend!

TABLE GUILD MEETING will take place next Saturday, October 26th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Main Sanctuary. If you are already a part of Table Guild or would like to become a part of Table Guild, please plan to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend but would still like to be a part of this group, please talk to Sheila Sherman.

EDEN PARK CEMETERY You may replace decorations on the graves in Eden Park Cemetery starting this Wednesday, October 23rd.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for the fourth quarter (October-December) are still available to pick up in the Narthex and outside the church office.

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION If you are a baptized believer, trusting that the life giving and sustaining power and presence of Christ is truly present in bread and wine, we welcome you to the Lord's table. Children who commune in their home congregations are welcome to commune; those who are not currently communing at the Lord's table are invited to come forward for a blessing keeping their hands to their sides. The center of each tray holds light colored, non-alcoholic juice for those with special circumstances. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request for those with allergies.

UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE:

October 27th – Pr. Jim Lehmann (Communion)

November 3rd – Pr. Carl Rasmussen (Comm.)

ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 129

ATTENTION WORSHIP ASSISTANTS If you are unable to fulfill your worship assistant job on a particular Sunday, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Once a replacement is found, please contact the church office and let Nikki know of the change for the bulletin. Also, when you arrive on Sunday morning, please check-in with the worship steward that day and let them know you are there.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Revelation 14:6-7; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; Matthew 11:12-19

THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Mission Sunday Presentation
10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School

Monday, October 21

12:30 p.m. Quilting

Tuesday, October 22

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, October 23

1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Confirmation
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

Thursday, October 24

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Saturday, October 26

9:00 a.m. Table Guild Meeting

Sunday, October 27

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM

Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2024 – October 26, 2024

Prayer: Almighty and everlasting God, in Jesus Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations. Preserve the works of your mercy, so that your Church throughout the world may persevere in steadfast faithfulness in the confession of your name, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Daily Lessons:

Sunday	1 Chronicles 6:54-81	Psalm 131	Acts 9:10-19
Monday	1 Chronicles 7:1-40	Psalm 132	Acts 9:20-43
Tuesday	1 Chronicles 8:1-40	Psalm 133	Acts 10:1-16
Wednesday	1 Chronicles 9:1-44	Psalm 134	Acts 10:17-29
Thursday	1 Chronicles 10:1-14	Psalm 135	Acts 10:30-48
Friday	1 Chronicles 11:1-47	Psalm 136	Acts 11:1-18
Saturday	1 Chronicles 12:1-40	Psalm 137	Acts 11:19-26

Morning Prayer We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

Mid-Day Prayer Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

Evening Prayer We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen