

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 – 7:45 & 9:00 AM
DIVINE SERVICE FOUR**

OPENING HYMN

LSB 557 Seek Where You May to Find a Way

- 1 Seek where you may
 To find a way
 That leads to your salvation.
My heart is stilled,
On Christ I build,
 He is the one foundation.
His Word is sure,
His works endure;
 He overthrows
 All evil foes;
Through Him I more than conquer.
- 3 Seek Him alone
 Who did atone,
 Who did your souls deliver.
O seek Him first,
All you who thirst
 For grace that fails you never.
In ev'ry need
Seek Him indeed;
 To ev'ry heart
 He will impart
His blessings without measure.

4 My heart's delight,
My crown most bright,
O Christ, my joy forever.
Not wealth nor pride
Nor fortune's tide
Our bonds of love shall sever.
You are my Lord;
Your precious Word
Shall guide my way
And help me stay
Forever in Your presence.

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INVOCATION

LSB 203

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB 203

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 announce the grace of God to all of you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

INTROIT

Psalm 112:3–6; antiphon: v. 1

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who | fears the LORD,*
who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

Wealth and riches are | in his house,*
and his righteousness endures for- | ever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the | upright;*
he is gracious, merciful, and | righteous.

It is well with the man who deals generous- | ly and lends;*
who conducts his affairs with | justice.

For the righteous will nev- | er be moved;*
he will be remembered for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who | fears the LORD,*
who greatly delights in his com- | mandments!

KYRIE

LSB 204

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

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

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; 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; Christ, have mercy; 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; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

LSB 204

- C** **1 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.**
- 2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—**
- 3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

LSB 205

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

L The Old Testament Reading for today is taken from the book of Amos, the fifth chapter.

Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,
O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .

They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,

you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.
Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.
Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 3:12–19

L The New Testament Reading for today is taken from the book of Hebrews, the third chapter.

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(7:45 only) ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 205

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

(9:00 only) MEN'S CHORUS

Seek Ye First

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:17–22

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

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

As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SONG OF THE DAY *LSB 694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower*

- 1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tower;
Thee will I love, my hope, my joy.
Thee will I love with all my power,
With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.
Thee will I love, O Light divine,
So long as life is mine.
- 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Savior,
Who art my best and truest friend.
Thee will I love and praise forever,
For never shall Thy kindness end.
Thee will I love with all my heart—
Thou my Redeemer art!
- 5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness;
Thee will I love, my God and Lord,
Amid the darkest depths of sadness,
And not for hope of high reward,
For Thine own sake, O Light divine,
So long as life is mine.

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MESSAGE

Avoiding the Blind Spot

APOSTLES' CREED

**☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Together we pray our family prayer:
- 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.**

PREFACE

LSB 208

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 truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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

LSB 208

C **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!**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 209

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI

LSB 209

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

AGNUS DEI

LSB 210

- C** 1 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.
- 2 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

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

- 1 Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior,
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed. Refrain

- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

- 2 With Thee, Lord, I am now united;
I live in Thee and Thou in me.
No sorrow fills my soul, delighted
It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain
- 3 Who can condemn me now? For surely
The Lord is nigh, who justifies.
No hell I fear, and thus securely
With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain
- 4 Though death may threaten with disaster,
It cannot rob me of my cheer;
For He who is of death the master
With aid and comfort e'er is near. Refrain
- 5 My heart has now become Thy dwelling,
O blessèd, holy Trinity.
With angels I, Thy praises telling,
Shall live in joy eternally. Refrain

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LSB 559 Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion

- 1 Oh, how great is Your compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
In our depth of degradation
You had mercy so that we
Might be saved eternally!

- 2 Your great love for this has striven
That we may, from sin made free,
Live with You eternally.
Your dear Son Himself has given
And extends His gracious call,
To His supper leads us all.
- 3 Firmly to our soul's salvation
Witnesses Your Spirit, Lord,
In Your Sacraments and Word.
There He sends true consolation,
Giving us the gift of faith
That we fear not hell nor death.
- 4 Lord, Your mercy will not leave me;
Ever will Your truth abide.
Then in You I will confide.
Since Your Word cannot deceive me,
My salvation is to me
Safe and sure eternally.
- 5 I will praise Your great compassion,
Faithful Father, God of grace,
That with all our fallen race
In our depth of degradation
You had mercy so that we
Might be saved eternally.

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NUNC DIMITTUS

LSB 211

C 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

LSB 212

P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this saving and healing 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

LSB 212

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

LSB 212

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN

LSB 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus sts. 1, 4, 6

- 1 Abide, O dearest Jesus,
Among us with Your grace
That Satan may not harm us
Nor we to sin give place.
- 4 Abide with richest blessings
Among us, bounteous Lord;
Let us in grace and wisdom
Grow daily through Your Word.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior,
Among us with Your love;
Grant steadfastness and help us
To reach our home above.

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9:00: *Ken Sawusch, Worship Assistant: Adam Sesso*

READERS: 7:45: *Mark Flasch, 9:00: Gail Spero*

CHOIR: *Men's Choir*

USHERS: 7:45: *Jean Carson, Mitch Lange; 9:00: Kenneth Frey, Linda Frey, Joe Moore, Kathy Moore, Thomas Moore, Rachel Moore*

ALTAR GUILD: 7:45: *Cindy Serrano; 9:00: Priya Regson*

PROJECTION & SOUNDBOARD: 7:45: *Steve Olson; 9:00: Zach Kaspari*

ORGAN/KEYBOARD: *Julie Sawusch*

SPEAKER: *Reverend Greg Hintz*

To be baptized into the saving grace of God at 11:00 AM is Elijah David St. Peter, born on June 17, 2021, to Joseph and Brittany St. Peter, whose sponsors are Rachel Dietrich, Ryan Dietrich and Danielle Santoro. May God bless this child of His!

A chancel basket is given by Mary Bollinger in honor of the October birthdays of Jim Bollinger and Kevin Kiley.