

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2021 – 5:00 P.M.  
“A BLENDED SERVICE”**

**INVOCATION**

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

**C** Amen.

**OPENING SONG**

*Better is One Day*

How lovely is Your dwelling place  
O Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied  
Within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere  
Than thousands elsewhere

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place  
Your glory dwells

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place  
Your glory dwells

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere

My heart and flesh cry out  
For You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to You  
I will draw near to You

Better is one day - better is one day  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere  
Better is one day - better is one day  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere

Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere

Better is one day in Your courts  
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Than thousands elsewhere

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## OPENING SENTENCES

**P** To You I lift up my eyes, O You who are enthroned in the heavens!

**C** Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us.

**P** Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

**C** The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**P** Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness.

**C** We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not always put God first. We have used His holy name in ways that do not honor Him. We have been careless in our devotion and have not always honored those in authority over us. We have done violence to others in word and deed and have not always kept our thoughts, words, and deeds pure and honorable. We have taken what is not ours and have spoken that which is not helpful or true. We have wished for that which is not rightfully ours and have not put the best construction on all things and on all people. We pray God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, and to bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

**P** The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our 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 you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## SHARING GOD'S PEACE

### SALUTATION

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**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*

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.

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

*Hebrews 3:12–19*

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.

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 10:17–22*

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.

## **SONG OF THE DAY**

*LSB 712 Seek Ye First*

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
And His righteousness.  
And all these things shall be added unto you!  
Allelu, alleluia!
  
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
Seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!
  
- 3 Man does not live by bread alone,  
But by ev’ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,  
Allelu, alleluia!

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## **SERMON**

*Avoiding the Blind Spot*

## **CREED OF THE CHURCH**

*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.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**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**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**G** And also with you.

## **AGNUS DEI**

**G** 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  
Grant us peace

## **DISTRIBUTION**



## **DISTRIBUTION SONG**

*Your Grace Is Enough*

Great is Your faithfulness, O God.  
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart.  
You lead us by still waters into mercy,  
And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember Your people,  
Remember Your children,  
Remember Your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice, God of Jacob.  
You use the weak to lead the strong.  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation,  
And all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people,  
Remember Your children,  
Remember Your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough for me.

So remember Your people,  
Remember Your children,  
Remember Your promise, O God.

Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough,  
Your grace is enough for me.

Your grace is enough,  
Heaven reaches out to us  
Your grace is enough for me.

God, I sing Your grace is enough,  
I'm covered in your love  
Your grace is enough for me.

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## **DISMISSAL**

## **BENEDICTION**

- 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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.
- C** Amen.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CLOSING SONG**

*Love the Lord*

Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,  
With all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.

Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,  
With all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.

With all your heart, with all your soul,  
With all your mind, with all your strength;

Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,  
With all your soul, with all your mind,  
And with all your strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength.

With all my heart, with all my soul,  
With all my mind, with all my strength.

I will serve the Lord with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength

Men: I will love You;  
Women: I will love You;  
Men: I will praise You;  
Women: I will praise You;  
Men: I will serve You;  
Women: I will serve You;  
Men: I will trust You, Lord.  
Wome: I will trust You.

With all my heart, with all my soul,  
With all my mind, with all my strength;

With all my heart, with all my soul,  
With all my mind, with all my strength;

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength.

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength.

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart,  
With all my soul, with all my mind,  
And with all my strength.

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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.