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TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

+ Service of Holy Communion +

9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER— As the Lord speaks to us in His Word, He calls the righteous to live by faith and always gives reason why His people can do so through His continual presence, power, and providence. The Readings today urge us, in various ways, to live by faith in our confession and conviction. In Isaiah, He with great conviction reminds through the prophet, "I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides Me there is no God." In the Epistle, Paul assures the Thessalonians, "He has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction." Finally, in today's Gospel, Christ urges us to live by faith and as stewards of all He has provided, to "render . . . to God the things that are God's." Moved by His Spirit out of gratefulness for the salvation earned for us by Christ Jesus, we then give God our willing obedience, dedicated service, and the glory due His name as we in confession and conviction live by faith in and through Him.

PRESERVICE MUSIC WELCOME

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

by Paul Manz

♩ [Means please stand; ♪ Means please be seated]

♩ OPENING HYMN

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
△ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bin and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
 As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
 bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
 bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

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INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Psalm 51:1–3; 96:9–13; Isaiah 45:5, adapted

- P** *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love;*
C **according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**
P *Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!*
C **For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**
P *As we come and bow before the Lord to confess our sins, we admit that we have bowed down to other gods of this world and gods of our own choosing.*
C **We confess we have trusted in ourselves and others rather than in You.**
P *We have failed to rely on You in all times. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, and against others in what we have done and left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart*
C **and have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We confess we have trusted in ourselves and others rather than in You.**
P *Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;*
C **let the field exult, and everything in it!**
P *Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy*
C **before the LORD, for He comes,**
P *for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in His faithfulness.*
C **Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**
P *Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, God is a merciful and loving Father, of whom "there is no other, besides Him there is no God." He has chosen you in the Gospel, which has come not only in word but with full conviction in power and in the Holy Spirit. Jesus died on the cross to redeem You. Through Him and in His stead, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*
C **Amen.**

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.* **C** **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

All: O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 45:1-7

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

A *This is the Word of the Lord.*

G **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Colossians 2:10

G Alleluia. You have been filled in Him, who is the head of all rule and authority. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.*

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

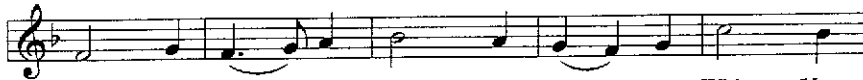
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P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us



1 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Glad - ly,
3 Won - drous hon - or You have giv - en To our
4 Lord of glo - ry, You have bought us With Your



life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the
free - ly of Your own. With the sun - shine of Your
hum - blest char - i - ty In Your own mys - te - rious
life - blood as the price, Nev - er grudg - ing for the



lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice;
good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
sen - tence, "You have done it all to Me."
lost ones That tre - men - dous sac - ri - fice.



And with that have free - ly giv - en Bless - ings
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmd by
Can it be, O gra - cious Mas - ter, That You
Give us faith to trust You bold - ly, Hope, to

count - less as the sand To the un - thank - ful
 You, at length be - lieve That more hap - py
 deign for alms to sue, Say - ing by Your
 stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of

 and the e - vil With Your own un - spar - ing hand.
 and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.
 poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you?"
 all Your grac - es, With Your love our love re - new.

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SERMON

Rev. David Vanderhyde; University Hills Lutheran Church

♫ NICENE CREED

C I believe in One God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in One Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made Man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. We offer to You, Lord, the sacrifice of our prayer and praise. You have blessed us with the gift of life in Your Son, Jesus Christ. You provide for all our needs, even when we are unaware. Accept our humble thanksgiving, and empower us to demonstrate our thanks in words, actions, and dedicated service to You. Lord, in Your mercy,* **C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *We acknowledge that You are the Lord, and there is no other. Strengthen us to resist temptations to serve other gods, whether things of this world, others, or ourselves. Open our eyes to see Your presence in all of our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,* **C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** *Our Savior Jesus Christ, has reminded us to render to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to You what is Yours. As You have established all authority over us, we pray for our leaders in this world, nation, state, and community. Give them wisdom and courage to act with justice and mercy for all lives, including the unborn and aged, the vulnerable and needful. Bless also those who serve our Church as elected and called officials, and the leaders within our own congregation, that all actions bring glory to You. Lord, in Your mercy,* **C** **hear our prayer.**

P *We lift up all those in need, the hungry and homeless, the mourning and grieving, and all who seek healing, [especially . . .]. Give peace, hope, and healing according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Bless all who commune at this altar today, that through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus, they be strengthened in Your forgiveness, enabled to withstand temptations of the devil, and empowered to lovingly serve neighbors in Your name. Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord:*

C **Amen.**

PREFACE

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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting 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:*

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that
cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P *O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

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.**

PAX DOMINI

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

C **Amen.**

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION ANTHEM

"For Faith We Praise You, Lord"

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P *Let us pray. We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary 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.

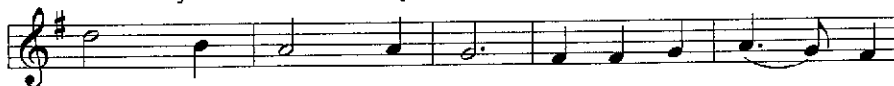
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

O Christ, Our True and Only Light



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
 3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
 4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
 5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
 lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
 find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
 wan - d'ers to Your fold, U - nite all those who
 won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
 in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
 sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
 walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
 You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthdays: Pam Kurth, Courtney Racine]

POSTLUDE

"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"

by Lani Smith

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

- Altar Guild..... Elsie Leiker, Sharon Milliken & Lori Williams
- Communion Assistant..... David Kurth
- Counter..... Carl Kurth
- Organist / Music Director..... Beth Buss
- Handbell Accompaniment..... Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us
- Special: Communion Anthem..... Dave Adam, Mackenzie Egan, Carl Kurth; Trio
- Sanitation CEO (Clean Every Object)..... Al Axford
- Service Web Recorder..... Robert Showalter
- Service Live Streaming..... Stuart Ruwet
- Usher..... Phil Vandre
- Worship Leader..... Rev. David Vanderhyde, University Hills Lutheran Church