

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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*A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament,
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✠ DIVINE SERVICE ✠

OPENING HYMN

"All Depends On Our Possessing"

(LSB 732)

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

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

EXHORTATION

1 John 1:8-9

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

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

John 20:19-23

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

✘ WORD ✘

INTROIT

Psalm 121:1-4, 7-8 (antiphon: Ps 121:5)

- P The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.
- C **I lift up my eyes to the hills.**
From where does my help come?
- P My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.
- C **He will not let your foot be moved;**
he who keeps you will not slumber.
- P Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- C **The LORD will keep you from all evil;**
he will keep your life.
- P The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.
- C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

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Mark 10:47

- 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.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

Refrain



C 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
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



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SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

2 Timothy 4:22

- P The Lord be with you.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray. 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.
- C **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 45:1-7

(God's Message to King Cyrus)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Let All the People Praise Thee"

(Natalie Sleeth)

Randy & the Wulfmen

(Randy Hartmann, Andrew Wulf, Noah Wulf, Jerry Wulf)

EPISTLE

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

(The Thessalians Faith and Example)

After the reading:

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA and VERSE

John 6:68

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.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

(Paying Taxes to Caesar)

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

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

After the reading:

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON HYMN

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

(LSB 940; verse 3 men only)

SERMON

“A Dangerous Question”

(Matthew 22:15-22)

Pastor Sam Handschke

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OFFERING

Several opportunities are available for you to support your church and its ministry. You can simply place your tithe/offering in the collection plate at the door as you leave the service this morning, drop your offering off at the church office during the week, or log onto our website (www.faithluth.com) and click on the “electronic giving” link for giving electronically. Thank you for your support!

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH [1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P O Lord, deliver Your people by Your power, and grant to us grace sufficient for all our needs and for the needs of all people.

Brief silence

Let us pray to the Lord to open the eyes of the blind by the light of His Word and to open the ears of the deaf with the voice of His Gospel, and for the Lord to clear the way for all people to know the riches of His grace, the gift of forgiveness and the promise of life in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord to teach us to trust not in our works but in His Word, and for a steadfast faith to endure in time of test, trial and tribulation. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord to bless our nation with peace and harmony, and for the Lord to bless our president, governor, all legislators and judges, and those who protect and defend us against all the enemies of our land. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord to heal the sick, give relief to the suffering, grant comfort to those who mourn, and give peace to the dying, especially _____ and those we name in our hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,



C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord for the renewal of our lives of prayer and devotion, interceding on behalf of all those in need and those who have devoted themselves to the Lord's work. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord on behalf of those who serve as doctors and nurses, for medical researchers and those who work to end disease, and for those who care for people most vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord that we may not forget those who delivered to us the sacred deposit and taught us the faith, and let us join them in passing on the faith to those yet to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord for our stewardship of His creation, for our faithful use of all His gifts, and for grateful hearts, that we may honor the Lord with our words and with our works. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Let us pray to the Lord that we may remain steadfast and immovable in faith, and that we may endure to the day of His coming again, when we shall be reunited with those who have gone before us with the sign of faith and now rest from their labors, to live in His eternal presence and sing His praise without end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.**



IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with one of our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

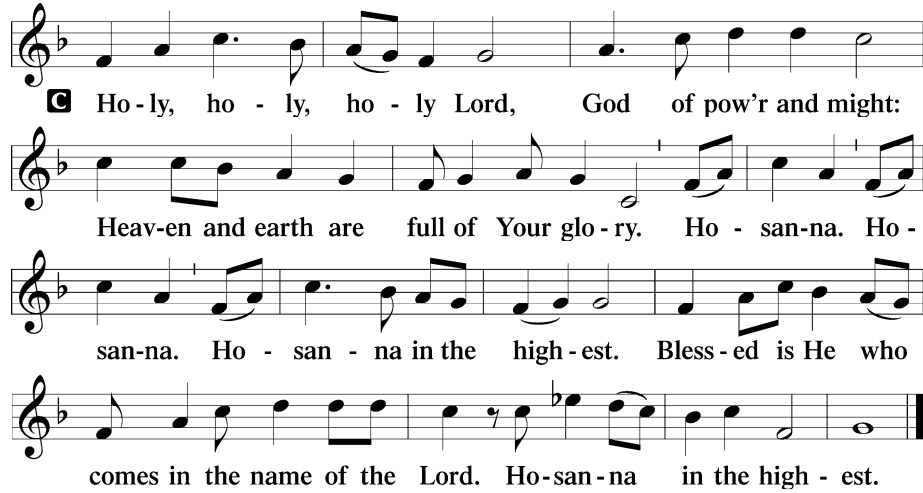
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from

eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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



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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us to do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

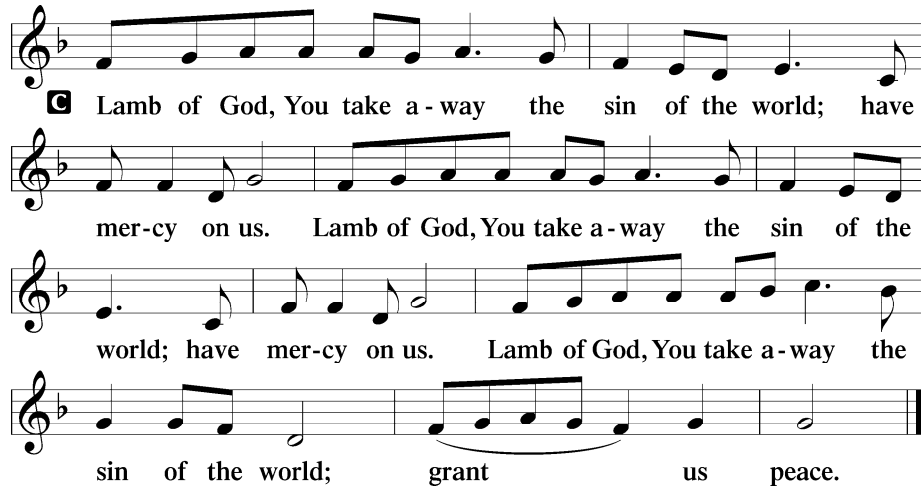
WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

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

AGNUS DEI



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.



(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (LSB 733)
"On Eagles' Wings" (LSB 727)

(Please stand)

THANK THE LORD



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.

He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy

with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- 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 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.**

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

- 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.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng”

(LSB 813)

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