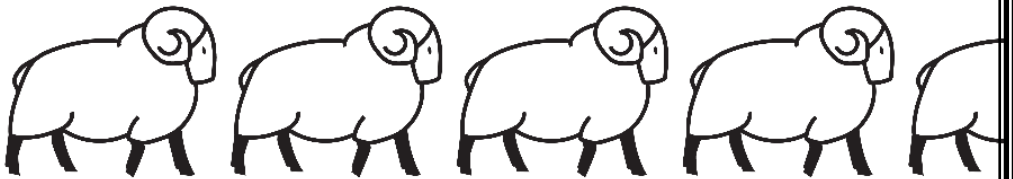


THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 13, 2024
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Common Service

✠ Gathering ✠

OPENING HYMN

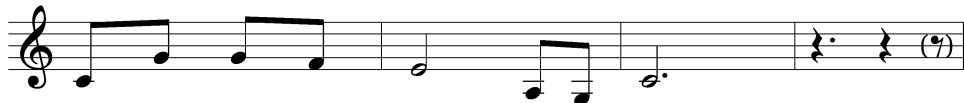
753 – My Worth Is Not in What I Own



1 My worth is not in what I own, not
2 My worth is not in skill or name, in
3 As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame,



in the strength of flesh and bone, but in the
win or lose, in pride or shame, but in the
youth, and beau - ty hur - ry by. But life e -



cost - ly wounds of love at the cross. v. 2
blood of Christ that flowed at the cross. Refrain
ter - nal calls to us at the cross. v. 4

Refrain



I re-joyce in my Re - deem - er— great - est trea - sure,



well-spring of my soul. I will trust in him, no oth - er; my



soul is sat - is - fied in him a - lone.

4 I will not boast in wealth or might,
or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ
at the cross. *Refrain*

5 Two wonders here that I confess:
my worth and my unworthiness.
My value fixed—my ransom paid
at the cross. *Refrain*

Please stand

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

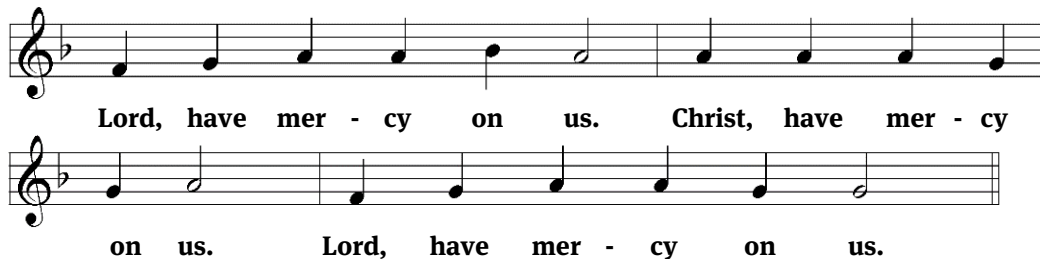


CONFESSION

Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY *(Kyrie)*



ABSOLUTION

God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



GLORY BE TO GOD (*Gloria in Excelsis*)



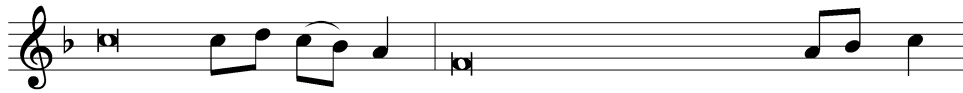
Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



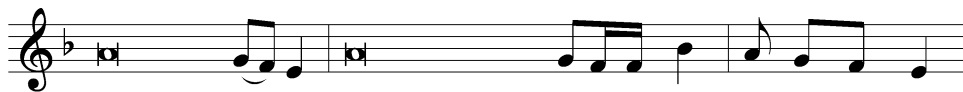
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



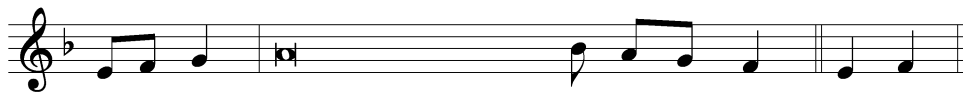
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



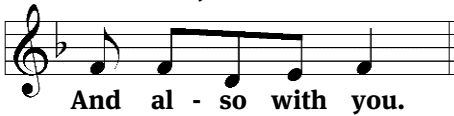
For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.



Let us pray. O God, you reveal your mighty power chiefly in showing mercy and kindness. Grant us the full measure of your grace that we may obtain your promises and become partakers of your heavenly glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated

✠ The Word ✠

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:14-27

The prophet Elisha's servant, Gehazi, prioritized riches over his walk with God.

²KINGS 5:14 So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

¹⁵Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel."

"So please accept a gift from your servant."

¹⁶The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, whom I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused.

¹⁷"If you will not," said Naaman, "please let me, your servant, be given as much earth as a pair of mules can carry, for your servant will never again make burnt offerings and sacrifices to any other god but the LORD. ¹⁸But may the LORD forgive your servant for this one thing: When my master enters the temple of Rimmon to bow down and he is leaning on my arm and I have to bow there also—when I bow down in the temple of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant for this."

¹⁹"Go in peace," Elisha said.

After Naaman had traveled some distance, ²⁰Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said to himself, "My master was too easy on Naaman, this Aramean, by not accepting from him what he brought. As surely as the LORD lives, I will run after him and get something from him."

²¹So Gehazi hurried after Naaman. When Naaman saw him running toward him, he got down from the chariot to meet him. "Is everything all right?" he asked.

²²"Everything is all right," Gehazi answered. "My master sent me to say, 'Two young men from the company of the prophets have just come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two sets of clothing.'"

²³“By all means, take two talents,” said Naaman. He urged Gehazi to accept them, and then tied up the two talents of silver in two bags, with two sets of clothing. He gave them to two of his servants, and they carried them ahead of Gehazi. ²⁴When Gehazi came to the hill, he took the things from the servants and put them away in the house. He sent the men away and they left.

²⁵When he went in and stood before his master, Elisha asked him, “Where have you been, Gehazi?”
“Your servant didn’t go anywhere,” Gehazi answered.

²⁶But Elisha said to him, “Was not my spirit with you when the man got down from his chariot to meet you? Is this the time to take money or to accept clothes—or olive groves and vineyards, or flocks and herds, or male and female slaves? ²⁷Naaman’s leprosy will cling to you and to your descendants forever.” Then Gehazi went from Elisha’s presence and his skin was leprous—it had become as white as snow.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 139D – In You, O LORD, I Am Found

Sung by the Worship Team. The congregation is invited to join as comfortable.



1 O LORD, you know me and search me out:
2 I know not all my own heart and mind,
3 Though dark - ness cov - ers my hope and sight
4 Be - fore my birth, you com - posed my frame.
5 Where can I run from your love so deep,



my hab - its and thoughts, my se - cret doubts,
my wan - der - ing soul, my sleep - less eyes;
and night o - ver - takes my trou - bled mind,
You gazed in my eyes and knew my name.
so bound - less and strong, so rich, so free?



my dreams at night, the words of my mouth.
I long for you, but from you I hide.
in dark - ness you, my day - light, will shine.
You wrote with love each one of my days.
No height, nor depth can sep - a - rate me:

Refrain



In you, O LORD, I am found; oh, in you, O LORD, I am found.

✠ The Confession of Faith ✠

The Apostles' Creed

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

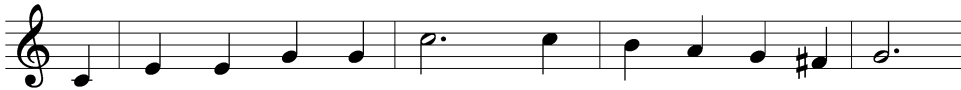
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

560 – Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ



1 Your works, not mine, O Christ, speak glad-ness to this heart;
2 Your blood, not mine, O Christ, can heal my sin-ful soul;
3 Your cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the dread-ful load
4 Your death, not mine, O Christ, has paid the ran-som due;
5 Your right-eous-ness, O Christ, a-lone can cov-er me;



they tell me all is done, they bid my fear de-part.
your wounds, not mine, con-tain the balm that makes me whole.
of sins that none could bear but the in-car-nate God.
ten thou-sand deaths like mine would have been all too few.
no oth-er right-eous-ness can set a sin-ner free.

Refrain



To whom but you, who can a-lone for sin a-tone, Lord, shall I flee?

✠ Sermon ✠

Mark 10:17-22

Treasure True Treasure

Sermon Notes:

When the sermon is finished, please stand

✠ Praise and Prayers ✠

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

Be seated

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

You may remain seated for prayer

Lord, you have been our dwelling place through all generations. May your favor rest upon us! Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Your Word is living and active, judging the thoughts and attitudes of our hearts. Cleanse and renew our hearts by your Word and Spirit. Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Merciful Lord, look on those who have not heard of you or who do not know you, and love them. Reach them with your living and active Word. Make us messengers of your grace. Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Lead and guide the rulers of our nation, the President of the United States, the governor of this state, state and national legislatures and all courts, and move them to work for peace and the common good. Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Bless your servants who reach out across cultures with the gospel of Jesus. Let your love conquer all prejudice, drive away all fears of differences, and bring people of all cultures and races into the body of Christ. Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Lord, look with love on those who suffer in mind or body, [*especially...*]. Lighten their burdens as they cast their cares on you. Fill their hearts with patience and trust in your goodness and your promises. Teach us to number our days, **that we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

O most holy Lord, take from us all impurity of thought and desire, and everything that is against your will. Enlighten our understanding that we may know the riches of your eternal glory. Teach us what you would have us do, and uphold us with your mighty power, that in everything we do, we begin, proceed, and end with your blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

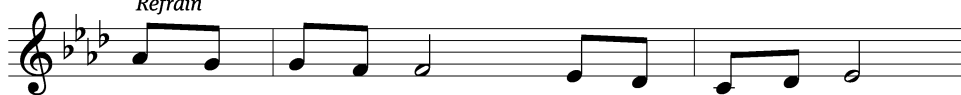
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

828 – Where Your Treasure Is

Refrain



Where your trea - sure is, there your heart shall be.



All that you pos - sess will nev - er set you free.



Seek the things that last; come and learn from me.



Where your trea - sure is, your heart shall be.



- 1 What do you gain from all your wor - ry,
- 2 Look at the ra - vens high a - bove you.
- 3 Be - hold the lil - ies in their splen - dor.
- 4 O lit - tle flock, do not be fright - ened;



what you should eat or what to wear?
They do not work their whole life through,
In grace and beau - ty are they dressed,
yours is the king - dom of the Lord.



There is no peace in stress or hur - ry.
and yet God feeds them and pro - tects them.
and yet so soon their bloom is fad - ed.
Give your pos - ses - sions to the need - y;



Do you not know that you are held with - in God's care?
So how much more will God pro - tect and care for you?
So how much more will those who look to God be blessed?
ob - tain a trea - sure in God's heav - en safe - ly stored.

Stand

SENDING PRAYER

Blessed Lord, you have caused your Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lies and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.



BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

718 – Though Thoughtless Thousands Choose the Road



1 Though thought-less thou - sands choose the road that leads the
2 In Christ, by faith, I wish to live, from him my
3 Christ is my ev - er - last - ing all, to him I
4 Soon will the Lord, my life, ap - pear; soon shall I
5 Soon will the saints in glo - ry meet, soon walk through



soul a - way from God, this hap - pi - ness, dear
life, my all, re - ceive, to him de - vote my
look, on him I call; he will my ev - 'ry
end my tri - als here, leave sin and sor - row,
ev - 'ry gold - en street and sing on ev - 'ry



Lord, be mine: to live and die en - tire - ly thine.
fleet - ing hours, serve him a - lone with all my pow'rs.
need sup - ply in time and through e - ter - ni - ty.
death and pain. To live is Christ; to die is gain.
bliss - ful plain, "To live is Christ; to die is gain."

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.

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WORSHIP SERIES – FALL AND WINTER 2024

The second half of the church year follows more closely the teachings of Jesus and focuses more on the life of the Christian than the life of Christ (the focus of the festival half of the church year). Below is a listing of the worship series left in the 2024 Pentecost Season.

THE NEED FOR FOLLOWERSHIP

September 8, 2024 – October 20, 2024

Jesus Christ is our leader; we are his followers. With this set of readings, we ask our leader, Jesus, to empower us by his Spirit so that we might better follow his lead.

Live Like You'll Live Forever

October 27, 2024 – November 24, 2024

Jesus' gift of eternal life means we don't have to think about "our last day". We will live *forever!* This final series of the Pentecost Season urges us to consider how the gift of eternal life shapes how we live each day. Live like you'll live forever!

The Church Year begins with the season of Advent, which means "coming." When someone is coming over, what do you do? It depends on who is coming and why they are coming. If it's a good friend popping in for a quick visit, you don't worry too much about how the house looks or serving a meal. But imagine the governor is coming over for an evening to give you some sort of citizen's award. That's a big deal. There is work to be done: deep cleaning, planning a menu, getting the yard looking its best...

The King Shall Come

December 1, 2024 – December 24, 2024

So, is Advent a big deal? It depends on who is coming and why they are coming. In this worship series, we get the answer to those questions. We see that the King shall come. We see why the King came on that first Christmas and why he shall come again on judgment day. In this season, we also cherish the way our King comes to us today in Word and sacrament, establishing his reign in our hearts.

Good News of Great Joy

December 24, 2024 – January 5, 2025

The world is starving for good news. And that is exactly what we get at Christmas. On that first Christmas Eve, the angel told the shepherds, "I bring you good news of great joy" (Luke 2:10). News is not advice. The angel had not come to give advice about how to cope in a messed-up world. News is simply a report of facts. The angel reported a fact—the birth of One who would make everything right again. This child would remove all our fears and fill our hearts with joy.