



Welcome  
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## Order of Worship

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost    October 22, 2023

### Welcome

*(Please stand, as you are able)*

### Call to Worship

**P** Give unto the Lord glory and strength

**C** **Worship the Lord in the beauty of His holiness**

**P** Christ has appeared to us:

**C** **Oh, come, let us worship Him!**

**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son

**C** **And to the Holy Spirit;**

**P** as it was in the beginning,

**C** **is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

### Opening Hymn: LSB 611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be

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| 1    Chief of sinners though I be,<br>Jesus shed His blood for me,<br>Died that I might live on high,<br>Lives that I might never die.<br>As the branch is to the vine,<br>I am His, and He is mine.         | 2    Oh, the height of Jesus' love,<br>Higher than the heav'ns above,<br>Deeper than the depths of sea,<br>Lasting as eternity!<br>Love that found me—wondrous thought!<br>Found me when I sought Him not. |
| 3    Only Jesus can impart<br>Balm to heal the wounded heart,<br>Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,<br>Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,<br>Faith and hope to walk with God<br>In the way that Enoch trod. | 4    Chief of sinners though I be,<br>Christ is all in all to me;<br>All my wants to Him are known,<br>All my sorrows are His own.<br>He sustains the hidden life<br>Safe with Him from earthly strife.    |
| 5    O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word!<br>When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;<br>Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.                    |  |

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### Confession and Absolution

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

**C Amen.**

**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:

**C God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

**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  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**Gloria in Excelsis**

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**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** 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.

*(Please be seated)*

**Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 45:1–7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped,

to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings,  
to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:

<sup>2</sup>"I will go before you and level the exalted places,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,

<sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places,  
that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me.

<sup>5</sup>I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God;

I equip you, though you do not know me, <sup>6</sup>that people may know, from the rising of the sun  
and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity,

I am the Lord, who does all these things."

**[L]** This is the Word of the Lord    **[G]** **Thanks be to God**

## **Epistle Reading, 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. <sup>9</sup>For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

**[L]** This is the Word of the Lord    **[G]** **Thanks be to God**

## **Alleluia and Verse**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*(Please stand as you are able)*

## **The Holy Gospel, Matthew 22:15–22**

**[P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

**[G]** **Glory to You, O Lord**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup>They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away. **L** This is the Gospel of the Lord **C** **Praise to You, O Christ!**

*(Please be seated)*

## **Sermon**

### **Sermon Hymn: LSB 575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

1 My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
No merit of my own I claim  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain

**ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

2 When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In ev'ry high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain

3 His oath, His covenant and blood  
Support me in the raging flood;  
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain

4 When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righteousness alone, Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

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## **Apostles' Creed**

**C** **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.**

**Peace of the Lord** (Please greet the people in your family group with God's peace, and extend to those near to you the peace with a wave.)

### **Prayers of the Church**

After each petition respond: **P** Lord in your mercy **C** Hear our prayer

### **Lord's Prayer**

**P** Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**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**

**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.**

### **The Word 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."

### **Agnus Dei**

**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.**

**Communion Distribution** *(Please be seated)*

**"At the Cross"**

*(Randy Butler and Terry Butler)*

**Verse:** I know a place, a wonderful place  
Where accused and condemned find mercy and grace,  
Where the wrongs we have done and the wrongs done to us  
Were nailed there with Him, there on the cross.

**Chorus:**               **At the cross, He died for our sin.  
                                  At the cross, He gave us life again.**

**Verse**

**Chorus 2X**

**Verse**

**427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

1 In the cross of Christ I glory,  
  Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story  
  Gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me,  
  Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me;  
  Lo, it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming  
  Light and love upon my way,  
From the cross the radiance streaming  
  Adds more luster to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure  
By the cross are sanctified;  
Peace is there that knows no measure,  
  Joys that through all time abide.

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**Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)**

**1.** Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

**2.** 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

**Chorus**

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy reigns  
Unending love amazing grace

**3.** The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

**Chorus (2X)**

4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

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Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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 and Benediction**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**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.**

**P** Go in peace!

**C Serve the Lord**

**P** Let us bless the Lord

**C Thanks be to God**

### **Closing Song Gracefully Broken**

1. Take all I have in these hands  
And multiply, God, all that I am  
And find my heart on the altar again  
Set me on fire, Set me on fire  
Take all I have in these hands  
And multiply, God, all that I am  
And find my heart on the altar again  
Set me on fire, Set me on fire

**Chorus** Here I am, God, arms wide open  
Pouring out my life gracefully broken

2. My heart stands in awe of Your name  
Your mighty love stands strong to the end  
You will fulfill Your purpose for me  
You won't forsake me, You will be with me

**Chorus 2X**

## **Bridge**

All to Jesus now

All to Jesus now

Holding nothing back

Holding nothing back

I surrender, I surrender

I surrender, I surrender

## **Chorus 2X**

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