# TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

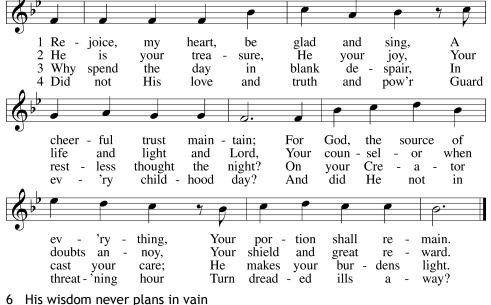
Saturday, October 6, 2018 - 6:30 p.m. Sunday, October 7, 2018 - 8:00 a.m. Divine Service 4 LSB pg. 203

#### As We Gather

"Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it" (Hebrews 2:1). These words are spot-on. The devil will take any chance he can get to make us "drift away." It's imperative for us, as the people of God, to hold firmly to the Word we have heard. Today as we gather to hear that Word and receive His gifts of grace, we are drawn close to the Redeemer, who has given His life in exchange for ours. Only in our relationship with Christ will we ever be made complete—members of His eternal kingdom, sons and daughters of our King. Once we see how our true identity is found in Jesus, we better understand our unique roles in the relationships with one another that He has given to us.

#### Prelude & Welcome

Entrance Hymn (Please stand on last verse) "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing" LSB 737



 6 His wisdom never plans in vain Nor falters nor mistakes.
 All that His counsels may ordain A blessèd ending makes.

#### Invocation

- P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

# **Confession & Absolution**

- 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 and call upon Him in prayer and praise, 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: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 Hos Spirit.
- C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise "Gloria in Excelsis" LSB 204 **C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to the all earth: You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, 2 To we pray; 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord. Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth! Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take 0 our sins a - way. For - ev - er and for - ev - er. Be wor-shiped and a - dored: We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we singus. Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt Have mer - cv on cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High, Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high-God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad In re - ply.

### Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray. Merciful Father, You have loved us with an everlasting love in Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we acknowledge the sacred nature of friendship and marriage. Help us to live always as the faithful Bride of Him who has made us His own, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

# $\oplus$ The Word of the Lord $\oplus$

**Old Testament** (*Please be seated*) **"It is not good for man to be alone"** *Genesis 2:18-25* <sup>18</sup>Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." <sup>19</sup>So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup>The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. <sup>21</sup>So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup>Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." <sup>24</sup>Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. <sup>25</sup>And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

L: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (Please stand and sing)

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

#### **Holy Gospel** "Jesus takes them up in his arms" Mark 10:2-16 <sup>2</sup> Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" <sup>3</sup>He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" <sup>4</sup>They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." <sup>5</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. <sup>6</sup>But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' <sup>7</sup>'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, <sup>8</sup>and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. <sup>9</sup>What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate." <sup>10</sup>And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. <sup>11</sup>And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery." <sup>13</sup>And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant

and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. <sup>15</sup>Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." <sup>16</sup>And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to You, O Christ.

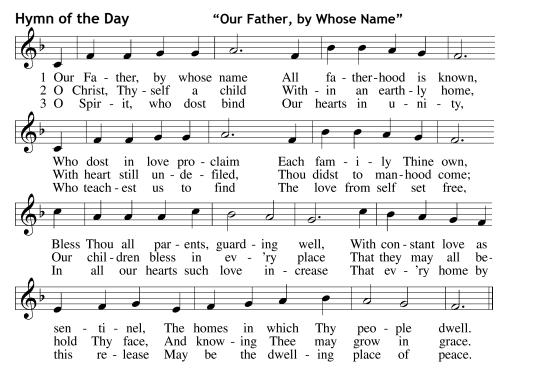
#### Nicene Creed

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 men 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 worshiped 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.

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(Please be seated)

Children's Message (6:30 p.m.)



Sermon

- 1) Have you ever said, "I just need to cut them out of my life," about someone? Why?
- 2) Has your faith ever led you to seek out relationship? Repair a broken one?
- 3) Are you struggling with personal sins which you blame on others? Private sins which others could help with? Relational sins?

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. <sup>13</sup> "Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed. <sup>14</sup> Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. <sup>15</sup> See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many. *-Hebrews 12:12-15* 

# 4) Think of a broken relationship in your life. Are there any concrete ways you can work to restore it? What might happen when you do?

<sup>1</sup>We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. <sup>2</sup> Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. <sup>3</sup> For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me." <sup>4</sup> For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup> May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. *-Romans 15:1-7* 

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# Pastoral Greeting & Rite of Fellowship

(Welcome! Please add your name to the fellowship pad.)

# Presentation & Blessing of LWML Mites & Mite Box

<sup>42</sup> A poor widow came to the Temple and put in two small copper coins.
<sup>43</sup> And Jesus said, "This poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing.
<sup>44</sup> For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." (Mark 4:42-44)

# Gathering of Offerings

(As an act of worship and thanksgiving, we offer to God what He has first given to us: the first and best of our lives, time, talents and financial gifts.

If you would like to contribute electronically, either onetime or ongoing gifts, please use <u>www.clcs.org/donate</u> or the QR code here.)



**Special Music** (8:00 a.m.) "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Calvary Chorale

# Prayer of the Church (Please stand)

- P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- L: For the growth of God's kingdom of grace, that we live out our identities as sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, created to be Your own.
- L: For the Christian Church, both here at Calvary and assembled in congregations throughout the world, that we may be one as our God is one, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, redeemed and restored in Christ.
- L: For pastors, teachers, musicians, missionaries, and all other servants of the Church, that they find joy in their callings, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, blessed by those who serve and lead.
- L: For the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, both here in Indiana and throughout the world, that lives may be changed by God's love, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, called for a purpose.
- L: For husbands and wives, moms and dads, daughters and sons, and every member of our Christian family, that we live out our unique vocations in joy, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, set apart to bless one another in Christ's love.
- L: For public servants, including those who serve in the government and our armed forces, that they would find refuge in the strong arms of our Savior, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, guarded and shielded by Your presence.
- P: For all who suffer in heart, mind, and body, [*especially* . . .], that they find restoration in Christ, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Father, we are Your family, ever in need of Your healing mercy.
- P: For these and all other concerns we have, that our gracious Father would answer the petitions of His people, the Bride of Christ, for the sake of our Bridegroom, Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord,
- C: Father, we are Your family. Amen.

#### The 6:30 p.m. service continues on page 11 with the Lord's Prayer.

*Holy Communion* - Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life. He says: "Come, for those who eat this bread and drink this cup will never hunger or thirst, but be raised up on the Last Day" (John 6). Whoever receives the Lord's Supper must be a believer in Christ (Hebrews 11:6); be sorry for their sins (Proverbs 28:13); believe that Christ offers His body and blood with the bread and wine (1 Corinthians 10:16); and be willing to forgive those who have sinned against you (Matthew 6:14-15). Come with faith in His promises to you and His presence in this holy meal.

#### As you approach the Lord's table, please move to the cross on the center rail.

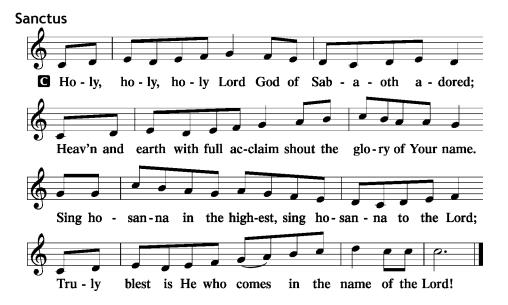
Gluten-free wafers are available on the two stands at the front of the church. Worshippers with a gluten allergy may pick up a sealed packet on their way to the communion rail.

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#### Preface

- P: The Lord be with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.

- C: And also with you. 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, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



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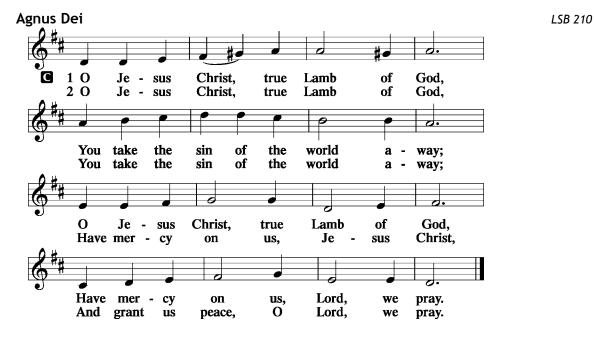
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# Lord's Prayer

- P: Hear us, O Lord, as we pray in Jesus' 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.

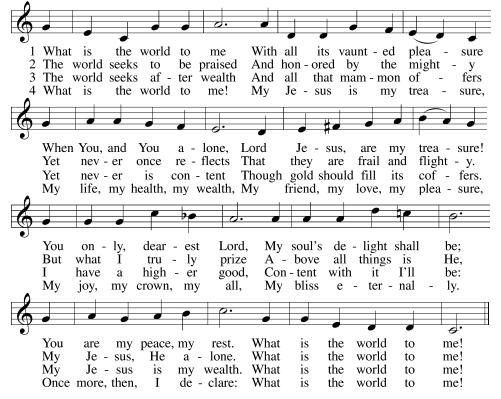
# The Words of Institution & the Peace of the Lord

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.



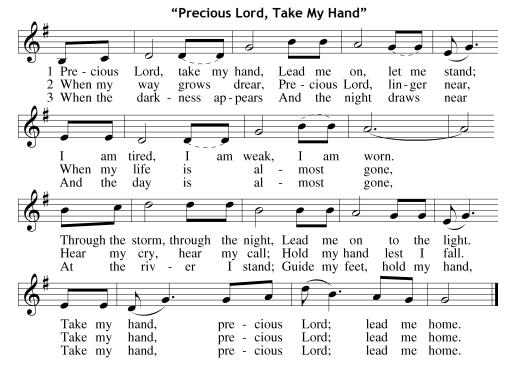


#### Distribution Hymns (Please be seated) "What is the World to Me"





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Nunc Dimittis (Please stand and sing)

O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

# **Communion Blessing**

#### Post-Communion Prayer

- L: Let us pray. O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in lovingkindness 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.

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#### 6:30 p.m. service continues here

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#### Lord's Prayer (6:30 p.m.)

- P: Hear us, O Lord, as we pray in Jesus' 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.

#### Benediction

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.
- C: Amen.



#### Postlude

Next week Marv Hansen will be sharing with us a Ministry Moment about the India Mission & we will send them off with God's blessings! A special door offering will also be gathered. Thank you for your generous support of this mission opportunity.