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16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Welcome to Worship! God's ways are different than ours—and that is good! God's Word today shows how remarkably generous and patient He is to us. It also helps us to see that those who belong to Him also help make the world a better place to live.

A **Nursery** is available below the entrance on Walnut St. and a Comfort Room is in the Atrium. The Nursery is not staffed at this time.

All **Sunday School classes** meet upstairs. **Adult Bible Classes** are in the Fellowship Hall, and Downstairs Social Room. The **Adult Information Class** meets upstairs in 203. Everyone is welcome!

All **Sunday School classes and Bible Classes** have resumed. See today's Informer for class locations.

Cell Phones: *Please remember to silence cell phones and electronics during worship.*

Holy Communion will be offered at the 11:15 Service. If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran Church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. An usher will dismiss your row to move forward to the person serving the bread, and then to the person serving the individual cup. You may then dispose of the cup and return by the center aisle.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

+ DIVINE SERVICE III, Page 184 +

THE PRELUDE: "How Clear is Our Vocation Lord" – C. Callahan

THE OPENING HYMN: "With the Lord Begin Your Task"

Hymn 869

- 1 With the Lord begin your task; Jesus will direct it. For His aid and counsel ask; Jesus will perfect it. Ev'ry morn with Jesus rise, And when day is ended, In His name then close your eyes; Be to Him commended.
- 2 Let each day begin with prayer, Praise, and adoration. On the Lord cast ev'ry care; He is your salvation. Morning, evening, and at night Jesus will be near you, Save you from the tempter's might, With His presence cheer you.
- 3 With your Savior at your side, Foes need not alarm you; In His promises confide, And no ill can harm you. All your trust and hope repose In the mighty Master, Who in wisdom truly knows How to stem disaster.
- 4 If your task be thus begun With the Savior's blessing, Safely then your course will run, Toward the promise pressing. Good will follow ev'rywhere While you here must wander; You at last the joy will share In the mansions yonder.
- 5 Thus, Lord Jesus, ev'ry task Be to You commended; May Your will be done, I ask, Until life is ended. Jesus, in Your name begun Be the day's endeavor; Grant that it may well be done To Your praise forever.

+++ **9:00 THE BAPTISM of LIAM CHRISTOPHER OTTE** Page 268

Parents: Blake and Whitney (Bearden) Otte

Sponsors: Brooke Otte and Chandra Campbell

+++ **11:15 THE BAPTISM of KINLEY RAY BORCHERDING** Page 268

Parents: William Douglas and Kamille (Brawner) Borcharding

Sponsors: Mollie Borcharding, Seth & Andi Pollert **Witness:** Kristen May

THE INVOCATION:

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

THE EXHORTATION:

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord, C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

THE ABSOLUTION

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

+++ 9:00: THE INTROIT: Adult Choir: Psalm 116:12-13,15-16; antiphon: Psalm 116:17

THE KYRIE

C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory be to God on High,

C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together) Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF THE MONTH: (We speak together) "Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law." Romans 13:10

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 55:6-9

"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

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

+++ 9:00: THE ANTHEM: "All Praise to God the Highest Good" - Carl Schalk

THE EPISTLE READING: Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all

ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

THE ALLELUIA AND VERSE: Page 190 **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16 C: (Sing) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord**

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. C: (sing) **Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

THE HYMN: “Salvation unto Us Has Come”

Hymn 555 vs 1-2, 9-10

- 1 Salvation unto us has come By God’s free grace and favor;
Good works cannot avert our doom, They help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone, Who did for all the world atone; He is our one Redeemer.
- 2 What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render
Caused wrath and woe on ev’ry hand For man, the vile offender.
Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires, And lost is our condition.
- 9 Faith clings to Jesus’ cross alone And rests in Him unceasing;
And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify; Works serve our neighbor and supply The proof that faith is living.
- 10 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,
The God who saved us by His grace; All glory to His merit.
O triune God in heav’n above, You have revealed Your saving love; Your blessed name we hallow.

THE SERMON: “Side by Side”

+++ 7:00 - THE APOSTLES’ CREED, Page 191

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.

THE HYMN: "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Hymn 783

- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.

THE PRAYERS

+++ 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION: Pages 194-202; Hymns: 623, 680, 742

Preface

P The Lord be with you. C **And with thy spirit.**

P Lift up your hearts. C **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. C **It is meet and right so to do.**

Sanctus

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 LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI

C **O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: 623, 680, 742

623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray That we may feast on You today;
Beneath these forms of bread and wine Enrich us with Your grace divine.
- 2 Give us, who share this wondrous food, Your body broken and Your blood,
The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n, The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.
- 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the gift of love retold;
All that You are we here receive, And all we are to You we give.
- 4 One bread, one cup, one body, we, Rejoicing in our unity,
Proclaim Your love until You come To bring Your scattered loved ones home.
- 5 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray: O keep us steadfast till that day
When each will be Your welcomed guest In heaven's high and holy feast.

742 For Me to Live Is Jesus

- 1 For me to live is Jesus, To die is gain for me;
So when my Savior pleases, I meet death willingly.

- 2 For Christ, my Lord, my brother, I leave this world so dim
And gladly seek another, Where I shall be with Him.
- 3 My woes are nearly over, Though long and dark the road;
My sin His merits cover, And I have peace with God.
- 4 Lord, when my pow'rs are failing, My breath comes heavily,
And words are unavailing, O hear my sighs to Thee.
- 5 In my last hour, O grant me A slumber soft and still,
No doubts to vex or haunt me, Safe anchored in Thy will;
- 6 And so to Thee still cleaving When death shall come to me,
I fall asleep believing And wake in heav'n with Thee!

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

THE THANKSGIVING

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, C: **and His mercy endureth forever.**

THE SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you. C: **And with thy spirit.**

THE BENEDICAMUS

P Bless we the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE BENEDICTION

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.**

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling"

Hymn 827

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus calling, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting – Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
- 2 Some take up His task in morning, To their Lord responding soon;
Some are called in heat of midday, Others late in afternoon;
Even as the sun is setting, Some are sent into the fields,
There to gather in the bounty That God's Word so richly yields.
- 3 For as rain and snow from heaven Water seeds in dusty soil,
Causing them to bud and flower, Giving bread to those who toil;
So the Lord sends forth His promise, Words of life and joy and peace –
Never void to Him returning, Bearing fruit with great increase.
- 4 Harken to the Lord whose coming Marks the time when grace shall end,
When with His angelic reapers He in glory shall descend.
Soon the night, the final harvest; Soon the time for work shall cease.
Then the souls His grace has garnered Shall enjoy His Sabbath peace.

THE POSTLUDE: "Toccatina in D Minor" – J.J. Froberger

Preacher: Pastor Blumenberg **Liturgist:** Vicar Fredstrom and Pastor Bloch

Lector: Pastor Rodriguez **Organist:** Mr. Paul Scheiderer

Special Music: Adult Choir

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