TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 18 & 19, 2019

Hymn 905

Welcome to Worship! Who is winning the struggle for the hearts and minds of people? The battle goes on in each generation, and in each person's life, and may ebb and flow. Sometimes, God's truth prevails. Other times, our culture seems to silence that Word. The Christ who came to win the struggle for us also helps us to fight and win!

First time guests: Please stop by the Welcome Center for a travel mug and other gifts!

We love children! If your child gets fussy, please take him/her to the Comfort Place in the Atrium. You can hear the service there and will allow others to hear as well. **A Staffed Nursery** is available at **9:00 A.M.** beneath the narthex.

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

Holy Communion will be offered at **11:15 A.M.** If you are not a confirmed member of the Lutheran church, please contact an Elder or Pastor before Communing. The Common Cup is served to those who do not take an individual cup. Gluten-free wafers are available. Wine with alcohol removed is in the center of the tray.

Large Print bulletins and Hearing devices are available from an usher.

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THE PRELUDE: "Prelude & Fugue in C Major" -Bach

+++ 9:00/11:15 THE BAPTISM HYMN: "Baptized into Your Name Most Holy" Hymn 590
9:00 THE BAPTISM of OLIVIA GAYLE STAHL, page 268

Parents: Jared and Julie (Wehmiller) Stahl Sponsors: Greg Wehmiller & Bryan Stahl 11:15 THE BAPTISM of *LARRY B. ATKINS*, page 268;

Sponsor: Breann Lawson

+++ 7:00 THE OPENING HYMN: "Come, Thou Almighty King"

- THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION: Page 203
- THE KYRIE and GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: Page 204
- THE PRAYER FOR THE DAY: (We pray together)

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same 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.) Jesus said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 23:16-29 (page 651)

Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.' For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

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

+++9:00/11:15 THE ANTHEM: "Give Thanks"

THE EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 11:17-31, 12:1-3 (page 1008)

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were

disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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

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THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 12:49–53 (page 872) C: Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

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

+++ 7:00 THE APOSTLES' CREED, Page 207

THE HYMN: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

<u>Hymn 655</u>

- THE SERMON: "Cultured People"
- THE OFFERING: (Please register Attendance and Communion)
- THE MUSICAL OFFERING: 9:00/11:15 "Thee Will I Love" LSB 694; 7:00 "Be Thou My Vision" -Manz
- +++ 11:15 THE RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS
- THE PRAYERS
- +++ 11:15 HOLY COMMUNION: Pages 208-211; Hymns: 625, 748, 661, 728
- THE BENEDICTION: Page 212

Hymn 664

Please take time after the closing hymn to greet and introduce yourself to those around you.

THE POSTLUDE: "Prelude in Classic Style" - Young

THE CLOSING HYMN: "Fight the Good Fight"

- A Pastor will be available after the service in the chapel to take prayer requests or notes for care.
 - Preacher: Pastor Blomenberg Liturgists: Pastor Rodriguez and Pastor Bloch Lector: Vicar Ronchetto Organist: Mr. Paul Scheiderer Special Music: Breanna Lawrence

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