

21st Sunday after Pentecost – October 17, 2021

Today's Theme for Worship: We show our love for God when we love our neighbor. One way we can show our love for God is by providing food and clothing for the poor.

Order of Service: Service of Word and Sacrament

Opening Hymn 257 My Soul, Now Bless Your Maker

1 My soul, now bless your Maker! Let all within me bless his name
Who makes me a partaker Of mercies more than I dare claim.
Forget him not whose meekness Still bears with all your sin,
Who heals your ev'ry weakness, Renews your life within,
Whose grace and care are endless And saved you through the past,
Who leaves no suff'rer friendless But rights the wronged at last.

2 For as a tender father Has pity on his children here,
He in his arms will gather All who are his in childlike fear.
He knows how frail our powers Who but from dust are made.
We flourish like the flowers, And even so we fade.
The wind but through them passes, And all their bloom is o'er.
We wither like the grasses; Our place knows us no more.

3 God's grace stands fast, enduring, And children's children yet shall prove
His strength abides, assuring The hearts of all who seek his love.
In heav'n is fixed his dwelling; His rule is over all.
Angels, in might excelling, Bright hosts, before him fall.
Praise him in song forever, All you who hear his Word.
He hears our hymns with favor-My soul, oh, bless the Lord!

Text: Johann Gramann, 1487-1541, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78, alt.

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P: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession of Sins

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: **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.**

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mer-cy.

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: ♪ Christ, have mer-cy.

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: ♪ Lord, have mer-cy.

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:

C: ♪ A-men.

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

♪ O Lord, Our Lord

O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.
Al-might-y God, mer-ci-ful Father,
you crown our life with your love.

You take a-way our sin; you com-fort our spir-it;
you make us pure and ho-ly in your sight.
You did not spare your on-ly Son, but gave him up for us all.
O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e-ter-nal Word of the Fa-ther,
you came to live with us;
you made your Fa-ther known;
you washed us from our sins in your own blood.

You are the King of glo-ry; you are the Lord!
O Lord, our Lord, how glo-rious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us Pray.

Grant, O Merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: ♪ A-men.**

First Lesson: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶ Seek the LORD and live,
or he will rush upon the house of Joseph like fire.
The fire will consume, and no one will extinguish it for Bethel.
⁷ There are some who turn justice into wormwood,
who throw righteousness to the ground.
¹⁰ There are those who hate an arbitrator in the city gate.
They despise anyone who speaks honestly.
¹¹ That is why you trample on the poor,
and you collect taxes on their grain.
You have built houses of cut stones,
but you will not live in them.
You have planted choice vineyards,
but you will not drink their wine.
¹² For I know that your rebellious deeds are many,
and your sins are numerous,
you who are enemies of a righteous man,
you who take bribes.
They thrust away needy people in the city gate.
¹³ That is why a prudent man will be silent in that time,
because it is an evil time.
¹⁴ Seek good and not evil, so that you may live,
and then it will be like this for you:
The LORD, the God of Armies, will be with you, as you claim.
¹⁵ Hate evil and love good.
Establish justice in the city gate.
Perhaps the LORD, the God of Armies,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Psalm of the Day 90

Refrain

In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Lord, you have been our dwelling place*
throughout all generations.

Before the mountains were born
or you brought forth the earth and the world,*
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

For a thousand years in your sight are like a day
that has just gone by,*

or like a watch in the night.

Refrain

In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You have set our iniquities before you,*
our secret sins in the light of your presence.

You turn mortals back to dust.*
You sweep them away in the sleep of death.

The length of our days is seventy years-
or eighty, if we have the strength,*
yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

Teach us to number our days aright,*
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Refrain

In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,*
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

In ev'ry age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Lesson: Hebrews 3:1-6

Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, focus your attention on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess. ²He was faithful to the one who appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in God's whole house. ³In fact, Jesus is worthy of greater glory than Moses, in the same way that the builder of a house has more honor than the house. ⁴For every house is built by someone, and God is the one who built everything.

⁵Moses was faithful as a servant within God's whole house by testifying to the things that would be spoken. ⁶But Christ is faithful as a Son over God's house. We are his house, if we hold on firmly to our confidence and the hope about which we boast until the end.

Verse:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:17-27

¹⁷As Jesus was setting out on a journey, one man ran up to him and knelt in front of him. He asked, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except one—God. ¹⁹You know the commandments. 'You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.'"

²⁰The man replied, "Teacher, I have kept all these since I was a child."

²¹Jesus looked at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack. Go, sell whatever you have, and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

²²When he heard this, he looked sad and went away grieving, because he had great wealth.

²³Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!"

²⁴The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus told them again, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in their riches to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁶They were even more astonished and said to one another, "Who then can be saved?"

²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For people, it is impossible, but not for God, because all things are possible for God."

Hymn of the Day: 401 Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ

1 Your works, not mine, O Christ, Speak gladness to this heart.

They tell me all is done; They bid my fear depart.

Refrain:

To whom but you, who can alone

For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

2 Your blood, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my sinful soul;
Your wounds, not mine, contain The balm that makes me whole.

Refrain

To whom but you, who can alone
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

3 Your cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the dreadful load
Of sins that none could bear But the incarnate God.

Refrain:

To whom but you, who can alone
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

4 Your death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ransom due;
Ten thousand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.

Refrain:

To whom but you, who can alone
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

5 Your righteousness, O Christ, Alone can cover me;
No other righteousness Can set a sinner free.

Refrain:

To whom but you, who can alone
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89, alt.

Sermon

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering Prayer

Offering

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Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

**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 Sacrament

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **✠ And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **✠ We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **✠ It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

♪ Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

You are my God, and I will ex-alt you.
I will give you thanks, for you have be-come my sal-va-tion.
Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo-ry.

Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

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

C: **♪ A-men.**

♪ O Christ, Lamb Of God

O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace.
A-men.

Distribution Hymn: Special Music Jesus, Ever-Abiding Friend

Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing his praise.
Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce
And proud-ly bear his name.
He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth
in joy with shouts of thanks-giv-ing.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Prayer

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A-men.

Blessing

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

C: (sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.

Closing Hymn: 319 On My Heart Imprint Your Image

On my heart imprint your image,
Blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Have no pow'r to hide your face.
This the superscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703, abr.; tr. Peer O. Strömme, 1856-1921, alt.