

+ 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST +

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**Divine Service - Setting 1**

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Confession and Absolution

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- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

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Service of the Word

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**Introit** *Psalm 116:12-13,15-16; antiphon: 116:17*

- P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
- C **And call on the name of the LORD.**
- P What shall I render to the LORD
- C **For all his benefits to me?**
- P I will lift up the cup of salvation
- C **And call on the name of the LORD,**
- P Precious in the sight of the LORD
- C **Is the death of his saints.**
- P O LORD, I am your servant;
- C **I am your servant the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.**
- C **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.**
- P I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
- C **And call on the name of the LORD.**

**Kyrie**

- A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C **Amen.**

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

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, You Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 55:6-9*

“Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; <sup>7</sup> 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. <sup>8</sup> For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. <sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual

P Fear the LORD, you his saints,

C **For those who fear him lack nothing!**

P Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

C **But the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

## Epistle *Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30*

<sup>12</sup> I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, <sup>13</sup> so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. <sup>14</sup> And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear... <sup>19</sup> for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my

deliverance, <sup>20</sup> 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. <sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup> But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

<sup>27</sup> 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, <sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> 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, <sup>30</sup> engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Alleluia and Verse

C **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Holy Gospel *Matthew 20:1-16*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter.

C **Glory to You, 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. <sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, <sup>4</sup> and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ <sup>5</sup> So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup> 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?’  
<sup>7</sup> They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them,  
 ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ <sup>8</sup> 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.’ <sup>9</sup> And when those  
 hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.  
<sup>10</sup> Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive  
 more, but each of them also received a denarius. <sup>11</sup> And on receiving it  
 they grumbled at the master of the house, <sup>12</sup> 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.’ <sup>13</sup> But he replied to one  
 of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with  
 me for a denarius?’ <sup>14</sup> Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to  
 give to this last worker as I give to you. <sup>15</sup> Am I not allowed to do what  
 I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my  
 generosity?’ <sup>16</sup> So the last will be first, and the first last.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### Hymn “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling” LSB 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 its 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 seed 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.

### Sermon

#### Nicene Creed

- C **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.

## Prayer of the Church

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### Service of the Sacrament

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#### 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.**

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C **Amen.**

#### Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
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 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."

#### Pax Domini

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

#### Distribution

#### Post-Communion Collect

- A Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C **Amen.**

## 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.**

## Hymn “On Eagles’ Wings” LSB 727

- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
Who abide in His shadow for life,  
Say to the Lord: “My refuge,  
My rock in whom I trust!”
- Refrain:**  
**And He will raise you up on eagles’ wings,**  
**Bear you on the breath of dawn,**  
**Make you to shine like the sun,**  
**And hold you in the palm of His hand.**
- 2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
And famine will bring you no fear;  
Under His wings your refuge,  
His faith-fulness your shield.  
**Refrain**
- 3 You need not fear the terror of the night,  
Nor the arrow that flies by day;  
Though thousands fall about you,  
Near you it shall not come.  
**Refrain**
- 4 For to His angels He’s given a command,  
To guard you in all of your ways;  
Upon their hands they will bear you up,  
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.  
**Refrain**

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