

# Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP



To the friends who know us, we renew our welcome; to our first time guests we extend it most sincerely; and to those seeking a church home, we offer fellowship with the risen living Redeemer, membership in His Church, and citizenship in His eternal kingdom. Our message is as old as the Word of God to man and as new as the new life it brings: *Jesus Christ, crucified and risen to give eternal life to people everywhere.*

**Guest Book:** Before you leave today, please sign our guest book. It is located in the Narthex.

**Style:** For those not familiar with the historic liturgical worship style, the interactive nature of the service may seem quite different. We agree with the ancient church that this style allows us to receive the blessings of God's word and offer thanks in response.

**Service of Word and Sacrament:** Today's service is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church. This order may be used as an alternate to "The Common Service" when Holy Communion is celebrated.

**Amplifiers:** Personal sound enhancement receivers are available to help the hearing impaired. An usher will be happy to assist you.

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### ✘ ✘ ✘ Before participating in Communion ✘ ✘ ✘

We welcome all people to our services, those who are fully united with us in Christ's teachings as well as those who do not yet share our confession of the Faith. However, it is a sad consequence of the divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend a general invitation to all Christians to receive Communion with us. Our Lord teaches (1 Cor. 10:17 and elsewhere) that Communion is an action of the celebrating community that declares their oneness in the Faith, life, and worship. Communing with Christians not in fellowship with the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod [WELS] or our sister synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod [ELS], would imply a oneness that does not truly exist, but for which we pray. Our pastor will gladly talk with you about establishing communion fellowship here at Peace.

## SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

**TODAY'S THREAD** *—The wise, having discovered God's eternal treasure, devote everything to possess it and be possessed by it.*

*STAND as directed*

**HYMN**

**Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing | 443**

**M:** 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

**M:** 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.**

**M:** 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.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY (*Kyrie*)

**M:** 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.



**M:** 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.



**M:** 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.



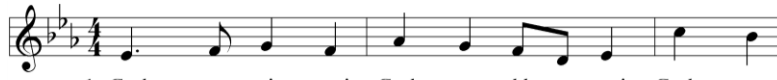
**M:** Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



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

PENTECOST SONG OF PRAISE

God, We Praise You | 277



1 God, we praise you! God, we bless you! God, we  
2 True a - pos - tles, faith - ful proph - ets, Saints who  
3 Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, Ev - er -  
4 Christ, at God's right hand vic - to - rious, You will



name you sov - 'reign Lord! Might - y King whom  
set their world a - blaze, Mar - tyrs, once un -  
last - ing Son of God, Hum - ble was your  
judge the world you made; Lord, in mer - cy



an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther, by your Church a -  
known, un - heed - ed, Join one grow - ing song of  
vir - gin moth - er, Hard the lone - ly path you  
help your ser - vants For whose free - dom you have



dored: All cre - a - tion shows your glo -  
praise, While your Church on earth con - fess -  
trod: By your cross is sin de - feat -  
paid: Raise us up from dust to glo -



ry; Heav'n and earth draw near your throne,  
es One ma - jes - tic Trin - i - ty:  
ed, Hell con - front - ed face to face,  
ry; Guard us from all sin to - day.



Sing - ing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Heav - en o - pened to be - liev - ers,  
King en - throned a - bove all prais - es,



Lord of hosts and God a - lone!"  
God, our hope e - ter - nal - ly.  
Sin - ners jus - ti - fied by grace.  
Save your peo - ple, God, we pray.

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**BE SEATED**

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

### 1 Kings 3:5-12

<sup>5</sup> At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.”

<sup>6</sup> Solomon answered, “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

<sup>7</sup> “Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. <sup>8</sup> Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. <sup>9</sup> So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?”

<sup>10</sup> The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. <sup>11</sup> So God said to him, “Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, <sup>12</sup> I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.”

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

<sup>1</sup> You, God, are my God,  
**earnestly I seek you;**

I thirst for you,  
**my whole being longs for you,**  
in a dry and parched land  
**where there is no water.**

<sup>2</sup> I have seen you in the sanctuary  
**and beheld your power and your glory.**

<sup>3</sup> Because your love is better than life,  
**my lips will glorify you.**

<sup>4</sup> I will praise you as long as I live,  
**and in your name I will lift up my hands.**

<sup>5</sup> I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods;  
**with singing lips my mouth will praise you.**

<sup>6</sup> On my bed I remember you;  
**I think of you through the watches of the night.**

<sup>7</sup> Because you are my help,  
**I sing in the shadow of your wings.**

<sup>8</sup> I cling to you;  
**your right hand upholds me.**

<sup>9</sup> Those who want to kill me will be destroyed;  
**they will go down to the depths of the earth.**

<sup>10</sup> They will be given over to the sword  
**and become food for jackals.**

<sup>11</sup> But the king will rejoice in God;  
**all who swear by God will glory in him,**  
**while the mouths of liars will be silenced.**

**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.**

**SECOND LESSON**

**1 Timothy 6:17-21**

<sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

<sup>20</sup> Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, <sup>21</sup> which some have professed and in so doing have departed from the faith.

Grace be with you all.

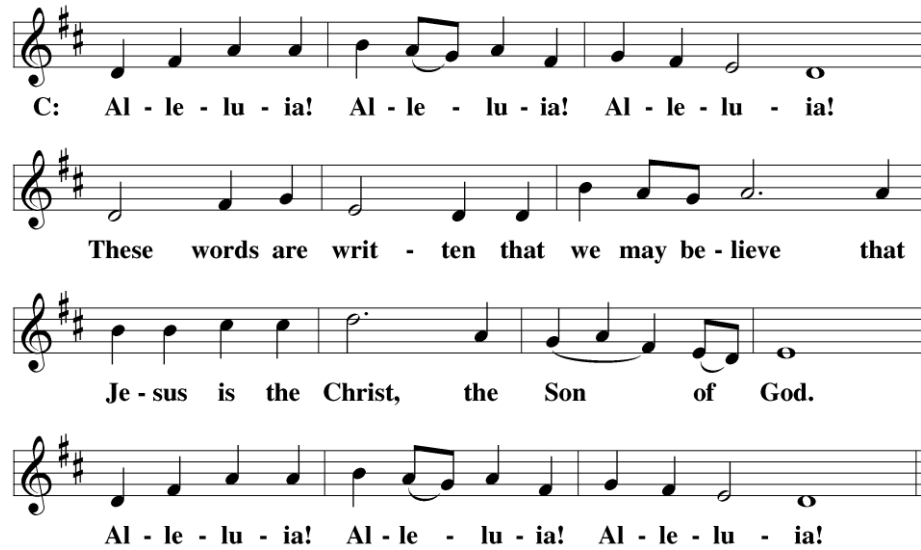
**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

*STAND*

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**M:** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.  
(John 6:68 cf.)



**C:** Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

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



**GOSPEL**

**Matthew 13:44-52**

**M:** The Gospel, Matthew Chapter 13

<sup>44</sup>“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

<sup>45</sup>“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. <sup>46</sup>When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

<sup>47</sup>“Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. <sup>48</sup>When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. <sup>49</sup>This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous <sup>50</sup>and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

<sup>51</sup>“Have you understood all these things?” Jesus asked.

“Yes,” they replied.

<sup>52</sup>He said to them, “Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old.”

**M:** This is the Gospel.



**C:** Praise be to you, O Christ!

**BE SEATED**

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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Jesus, Priceless Treasure | 349**

**SERMON** – *See the separate sheet for the Sermon Road Map.*

**STAND**

## 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.**

*BE SEATED*

**OFFERING**

*STAND*

**OFFERING HYMN**

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | 334**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**M:** Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C:** **Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

**M:** Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C:** **Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** ... Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## **THE SACRAMENT**

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** **And al - so with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.



**C:** We lift them up to the Lord.

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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

**M:** 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** (*Sanctus*)



**C:** 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

**M:** 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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (*Agnus Dei*)



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



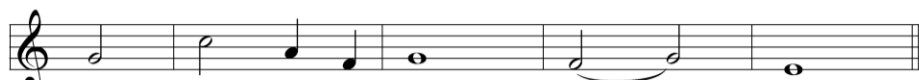
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



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.

*BE SEATED*

**DISTRIBUTION**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

Abide, O Dearest Jesus | 333

**THANKSGIVING**

*STAND*

## THANK THE LORD



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



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice 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!

**M:** 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.

**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: A - men. A - men. A - men.

## CLOSING HYMN

Beautiful Savior | 369

*Silent prayer*

*Announcements after the close of Service*