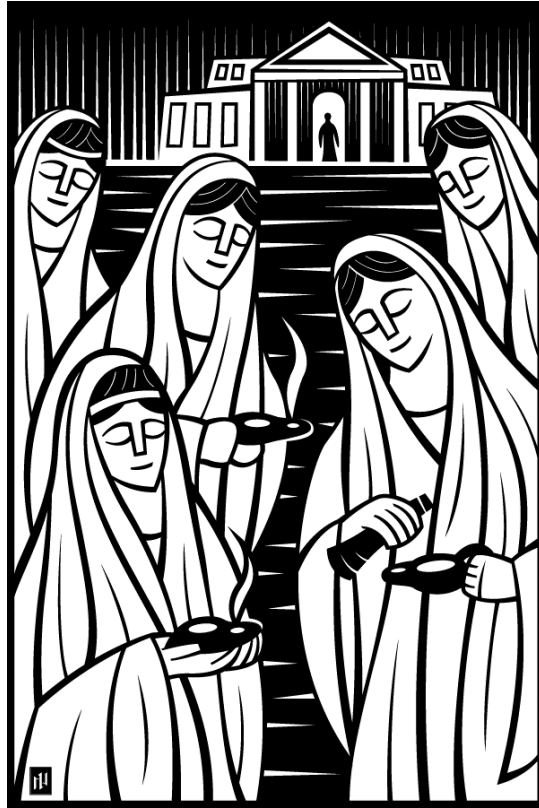


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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP



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 the Word:** Today's service offers the congregation a form of worship that focuses on the proclamation of God's Word. Believers respond to this divine gift with prayer, praise, and thanksgiving.

**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 THE WORD

**TODAY'S THREAD** –*You hold the invitation to the ultimate wedding banquet – the date to be announced. Live ready to enter at a moment's notice.*

*STAND as directed*

**HYMN**

**O'er the Distant Mountains Breaking | 220**

**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:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C:** **Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### PENTECOST SONG OF PRAISE

**All Glory Be to God Alone | 262**  
*(Gloria in Excelsis)*



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, For -  
2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; We  
3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, Our  
4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; Have  
5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One; O'er



ev - er - more the high - est one, Who did our  
wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness; From day to  
Fa - ther, the Al - might - y One; O Lord, the  
mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the  
all things you are Lord a - lone. O Je - sus



sin - ful race be - friend And grace and peace to  
day we glo - ri - fy The ev - er - last - ing  
Sole - be - got - ten One, Lord Je - sus Christ, the  
whole world's sin a - way; Oh, lis - ten to the  
Christ, we glo - ri - fy You and the Spir - it,



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good  
God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we  
Fa - ther's Son, True God from all e - ter - ni -  
prayer we say. From God's right hand, oh, send to -  
Lord most high; With him you ev - er - more shall



will All hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.  
sing, And to your throne our thanks we bring.  
ty, O Lamb of God— to you we flee.  
day Your mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
be One in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

Text: attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.  
Tune: ALL EHR UND LOB (88 88 88) *Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder*, Strassburg, 1541, alt.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; 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

**Isaiah 52:1-6**

- <sup>1</sup> Awake, awake, Zion,  
clothe yourself with strength!  
Put on your garments of splendor,  
Jerusalem, the holy city.  
The uncircumcised and defiled  
will not enter you again.
- <sup>2</sup> Shake off your dust;  
rise up, sit enthroned, Jerusalem.  
Free yourself from the chains on your neck,  
Daughter Zion, now a captive.
- <sup>3</sup> For this is what the LORD says:  
“You were sold for nothing,  
and without money you will be redeemed.”
- <sup>4</sup> For this is what the Sovereign LORD says:  
“At first my people went down to Egypt to live;  
lately, Assyria has oppressed them.
- <sup>5</sup> “And now what do I have here?” declares the LORD.  
“For my people have been taken away for nothing,  
and those who rule them mock,”  
declares the LORD.  
“And all day long  
my name is constantly blasphemed.  
<sup>6</sup> Therefore my people will know my name;  
therefore in that day they will know  
that it is I who foretold it.  
Yes, it is I.”


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

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

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 90

*Refrain*



In ev - 'ry age, O Lord, you have been our ref - uge.

*Psalm tone*



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*

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*

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*

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**SECOND LESSON**

**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, <sup>2</sup> for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

<sup>4</sup> But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup> You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. <sup>6</sup> So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. <sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

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

**C:** Thanks be to God.

*STAND*

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**M:** Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia. (Matthew 24:42 RSV)



**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 25:1-13

**M:** The Gospel, Matthew Chapter 25

<sup>1</sup>“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. <sup>4</sup>The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

<sup>6</sup>“At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’

<sup>7</sup>“Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’

<sup>9</sup>“No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’

<sup>10</sup>“But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

<sup>11</sup>“Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the door for us!’

<sup>12</sup>“But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’

<sup>13</sup>“Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.”

**M:** This is the Gospel.



**BE SEATED**

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**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying | 206**

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

**STAND**

**APOSTLES’ CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there 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.**

*BE SEATED*

## THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

*STAND*

OFFERING HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | 334

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**C:** **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**C:** **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

**C:** **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**C:** **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

**M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

**C:** **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

**M:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

**C:** **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

*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:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

**C:** Amen.

### LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** 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.

**M:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, 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

Jerusalem the Golden | 728

*Silent prayer*

*WELS Connection*

*Announcements after the close of Service*