



Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

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OPENING HYMN

“Christ Is Our Cornerstone”

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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.

DECLARATION OF GRACE

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

+ INTROIT +

Psalm 122: 1, 6, 8-9

Pastor: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,

Cong.: and let your prophets be proven faithful.

Pastor: Hear the prayer of your servants,

Cong.: according to the blessing of Aaron upon your people.

Pastor: I was glad when they said to me,

Cong.: “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

Pastor: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

Cong.: May they be secure who love you!

Pastor: For my brothers and companions' sake

Cong.: I will say, “peace be within you!”

Pastor: For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,

Cong.: I will seek your good. 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.

KYRIE

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P 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.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

+ HYMN OF PRAISE + “Gloria in Excelsis”

LSB 154

Pastor: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Cong: **Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:**

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+ SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY +

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

Cong.: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong.: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 10: 12-21

¹² “And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul,¹³ and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? ¹⁴ Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. ¹⁵ Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. ¹⁶ Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. ¹⁷ For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. ¹⁸ He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. ¹⁹ Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. ²⁰ You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. ²¹ He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.” This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong.: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1: 1-9

¹ Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours.³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. This is the Word of the Lord.
Cong.: Thanks be to God.

+ALLELUIA & VERSE +

LSB 156

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

+ HOLY GOSPEL +

Matthew 22:34-46

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

Cong.: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁴ But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ *“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”* ³⁷ And he said to him, *“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.”* ³⁸ *This is the great and first commandment.* ³⁹ *And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.* ⁴⁰ *On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”* ⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, ⁴² saying, *“What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is*

he?” They said to him, “*The son of David.*” ⁴³ He said to them, “*How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,*” ⁴⁴ “*The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”*”? ⁴⁵ *If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?*” ⁴⁶ And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions. This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Cong.: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN: “Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower” p. 694

SERMON

APOSTLES’ CREED

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**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

LSB 159

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

+ THE LORD'S PRAYER + (sung)

LSB 162

**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 debts
as we forgive our debtors,
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen**

COLLECT

P Lord God, we humbly confess to You that we deserve Your fatherly chastisement for our sins; yet we earnestly implore You, for Your name's sake, to spare us in this time of disaster. Restrain all harmful powers and help Your suffering people that Your Word may be declared faithfully and without hindrance and that we, amending our sinful lives, may walk in safety and peace according to Your holy commandments; 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

LSB 166

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.**

CLOSING HYMN *“On What Has Now Been Sown”*

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Pastor Reinke
Organist: Bill Vlasak

Happy Birthday

Caroline Spirduso 9th

Ken Scheer 10th

Marilyn Howard, Harry

Wiedenmeyer

& Emily Lundgren 11th

Happy Anniversary

Ronald & Donna Koenig 8th (17 years)

Mark & Michelle Fluegge 14th (45 years)

Mark & Cheryl Ryan 14th (45 years)

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES AT FAITH:

Sunday, October 8

8:00 am Divine Service

9:15 am Bible Study/Sunday School

10:30 am Divine Service

11:30 am Coffee Bites

Monday, October 9

COLUMBUS DAY-No GriefShare

Tuesday, October 10

6:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 11

9:00 am Women of Faith

5:00 pm Divine Service

Thursday, October 12

10:00 am LWML Meeting

11:00 am Packing for HOPE

SEEDS

6:00 pm Handbell Choir Practice

LOOKING AHEAD:

October 15th – Operation

Christmas Child Shoebox begins

October 16th - 5th Session of GriefShare

October 17th -Ladies Bible Study begins

October 20th - Lighthouse Bible Study

October 21st - LWML Sarasota Zone Fall Rally

October 22nd – 2024 Calendar Sale begins

October 29th – Reformation Sunday.

One service @10:30. Luncheon to follow.

Please wear red.