

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost



The Two Kingdoms



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"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'" Psalm 122:1



Today's 8:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

October 22, 2023

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING ANTHEM/HYMN

Holy Is He (Holy, Holy, Holy)

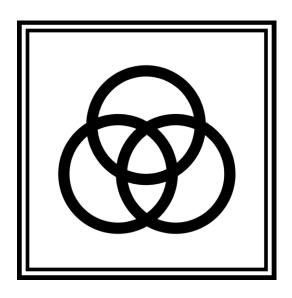
Our opening this morning combines choir and congregation singing.

Toward the end of the piece, the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" will be sung twice.

The congregation will be invited to sing "Holy, Holy, Holy" the second time.

The choir director will cue congregation when to join.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!



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.

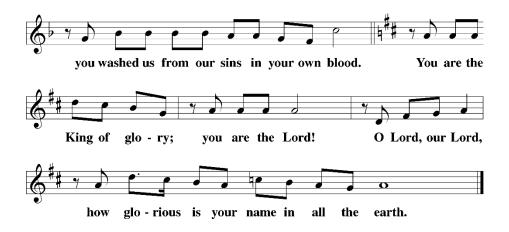


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world that your church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Daniel 1:3-21

PASTOR: ³ The king told Ashpenaz, the chief of his court officials, to bring some young Israelite men from the royal family or from the nobility. ⁴ He was to choose young men who had no blemish, who were good looking, who had insight into all kinds of wisdom, who possessed knowledge, understanding, and learning, and who were capable of

serving in the king's palace, in order to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans. ⁵ The king assigned them daily rations from the special royal food and from the king's own wine. He ordered that they should be trained for three years. At the end of training they were to serve the king. ⁶ In this group of young men were the Judeans Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. ⁷ The chief of the officials gave them new names. He gave Daniel the name Belteshazzar, Hananiah the name Shadrak, Mishael the name Meshak, and Azariah the name Abednego.

ALL: ⁸ Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the special food of the king or with the wine that he drank. So he sought permission from the chief official, so that he would not have to defile himself. ⁹ God made the chief of the officials favorable and sympathetic toward Daniel. ¹⁰ Then the chief of the officials said to Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who assigned your food and your drink. Why should he see your faces looking less healthy than those of the other young men who are your age? You put my life at risk before the king."

WOMEN: ¹¹ Daniel said to the superintendent whom the chief of the officials had placed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, ¹² "Please test your servants for ten days. Tell them to give us only vegetables, and we will eat them and drink water. ¹³ Observe our appearance and the appearance of the young men who eat the special royal food. Then deal with your servants based on what you see." ¹⁴ So he listened to what they said about this and tested them for ten days.

MEN: ¹⁵ At the end of ten days, their appearance was noticeably better than that of the others. They were healthier than any of the young men who had been eating the special royal food. ¹⁶ So the superintendent permanently took away the special royal food and the wine they were to drink and gave them only vegetables. ¹⁷ As for these four young men, God gave them knowledge and insight into all kinds of literature, as well as wisdom. In addition, Daniel also understood every kind of vision and dream.

ALL: ¹⁸ At the end of the time which the king had set for them to be brought to him, the chief of the officials brought them before Nebuchadnezzar. ¹⁹ The king spoke with them, and none of the others were found to be comparable to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. So they served the king. ²⁰ In every matter concerning wisdom and understanding that the king sought from them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and spell casters in his entire kingdom. ²¹ So Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.





Sing to the LORD, <u>praise</u> his name;* proclaim his salvation day <u>after day</u>.

Declare his glory among the <u>nations</u>,* his marvelous deeds among all <u>peoples</u>.

Worship the LORD in the splendor of his <u>ho</u>liness;* tremble before him, <u>all</u> the earth.

Refrain

Let the heavens rejoice, let the <u>earth</u> be glad;* let the sea resound, and all that is in it;

let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.*
Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy;

for he comes to judge the world in <u>right</u>eousness* and the peoples in his truth.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>inning</u>,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON Romans 13:1-7

Everyone must submit to the governing authorities. For no authority exists except by God, and the authorities that do exist have been established by God. ² Therefore the one who rebels against the authority is opposing God's institution, and those who oppose will bring judgment on themselves.

³ For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to evil. Would you like to have no fear of the one in authority? Do what is good, and you will receive praise from him, ⁴ because he is God's servant for your benefit. But if you do wrong, be afraid, because he does not carry the sword without reason. He is God's servant, a punisher to bring wrath on the wrongdoer. ⁵ Therefore it is necessary to submit, not only because of wrath, but also because of conscience.

⁶ For this reason you also pay taxes, because the authorities are God's ministers, who are employed to do this very thing. ⁷ Pay what you owe to all of them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, and honor to whom honor is owed.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. In Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. Alleluia.



HYMN (CW 617)

Christ, by Heavenly Hosts



Text: Henry Harbaugh, 1817-67, abr., alt.

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Tune: St. George's, Windsor (77 77 D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

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SERMON Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went out and plotted together how to trap him in his words. ¹⁶ They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are truthful and teach the way of God in accord with the truth. You are not concerned about gaining anyone's approval because you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ So tell us, what do you think? Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

¹⁸ But Jesus knew their evil purpose and said, "Why are you testing me, hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin used for the tax."

They brought him a denarius.

²⁰ He asked them, "Whose image and inscription is this?"

²¹ "Caesar's," they replied to him.

Then he said to them, "Therefore give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

²² When they heard this, they were amazed. Then they left him and went away.





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.

GATHERING OF THANK OFFERING

While the offering is gathered, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you!



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For pastors, that by their proclamation, salvation may be delivered in power and in the Holy Spirit, and that faith and love would be increased in all who hear and hope would remain steadfast, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For fathers, mothers and their children, that the Lord who makes known his salvation from the rising of the sun to its setting may bless them in their stations and lead them to worship him alone, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those in authority, that as God's instruments they may be upheld in wisdom and integrity, make salutary use of the taxes rendered to them, and be honored by all Christians for the sake of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord**, **have mercy**.

For [______ and] all who are afflicted, that the maker of heaven and earth would preserve their lives, keep them from all evil and shade them from all harm, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel, that God would keep their going out and their coming in, protecting them from every trouble, prospering their journey and making their homecomings joyful, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who gather at this altar, that the true and living God would give them penitent hearts to receive Christ's body and blood as they await his return in glory, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **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.



THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

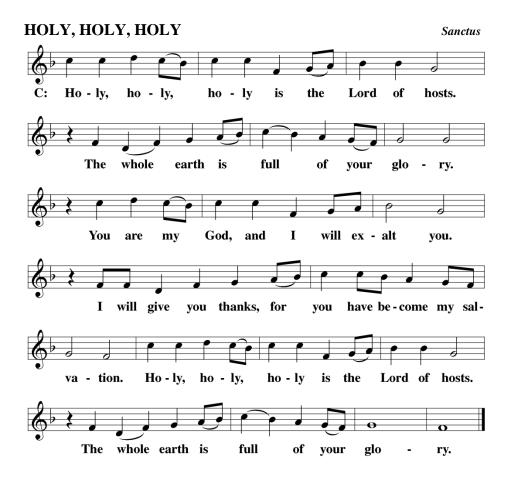


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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:



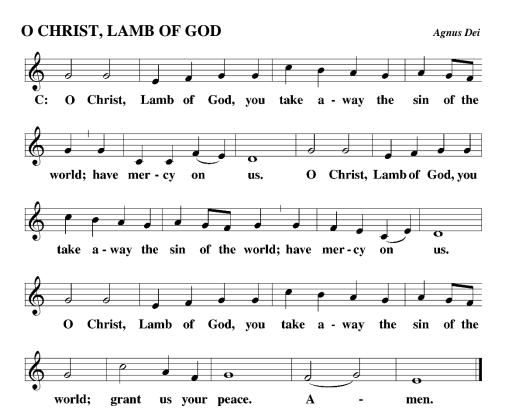
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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."

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





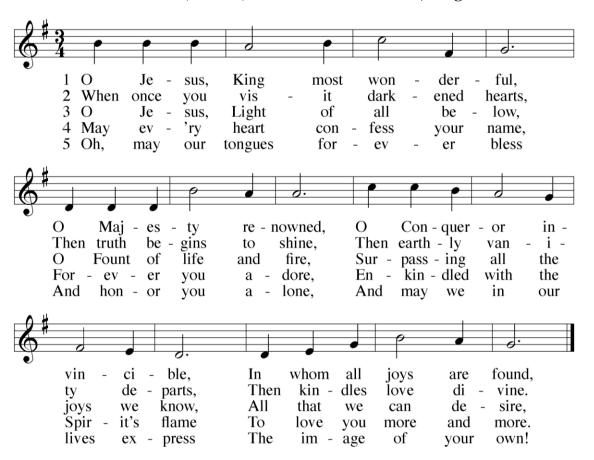
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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 373)

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful



Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-78, alt.

Tune: St. Agnes (CM) John B. Dykes, 1823–76.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 618)

Before the Lord We Bow



Text: Francis Scott Key, 1779-1843, alt.

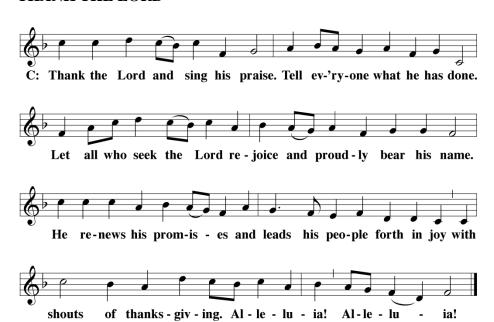
Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH (66 66 4444) John Darwall, 1731–89.



THANKSGIVING

STAND

THANK THE LORD



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.



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.

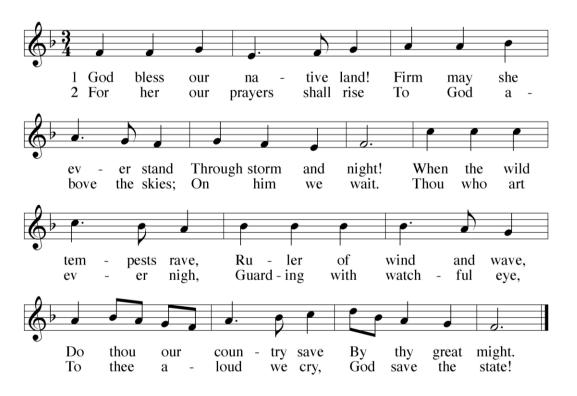
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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CLOSING HYMN (CW 619)

God Bless Our Native Land



Text: Charles T. Brooks, 1813–83, st. 1, alt.; John S. Dwight, 1813–93, st. 2.

Tune: AMERICA (664 6664) Thesaurus Musicus, London, c. 1740.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Sunday October 22: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Teen class and Sunday school

9:15 am: Open forum meeting in the sanctuary

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Choir Director: Elaine Wilson
- Councilman/Elder: 8:00 Brian Ehlenbach, 10:30 Councilman needed
- Ushers 8:00: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Oughton
- Ushers 10:30: The Heath Family
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Sally Kaalberg
- Refreshments: Barb Schade and June Thayer
- A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

4:00 pm: Area Reformation Worship at Lakeside Lutheran HS, Lake Mills 6:30 pm: Teen Campfire and Bible study at Peace Lutheran, Sun Prairie

Sunday October 29: Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Worship Services at 8:00 & 10:30 am with Holy Communion

9:15 am: Adult Bible study and Sunday school (Teens join adult study upstairs)

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: 8:00 Ryan Jaeger, 10:30 Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers 8:00: Bob Degnan, Gene Freund, Kayden Zech and Kourtney Zech
- Ushers 10:30: Joshua Hodkiewicz and volunteer
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Hodkiewicz Family

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Roger Raether (10/23), Walt Schwark (10/25), Fred Bakken (10/26) and Jenny Johnson (10/27) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Bill & Mary Grulke (10/23), Anka & Kevin Kopplin (10/24) and Dan & Jennifer Manthe (10/26) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Bible Studies this week:

No Sunday morning Bible study today.

Tuesday 9:00 am: Gospel of John, downstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm: New Topic starting, downstairs

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): Matthew DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)



Open Forum Meeting Today 9:15 am in the sanctuary

All members are encouraged to attend.

Area Reformation Service - October 22 Lakeside Lutheran High School

231 Woodland Beach Rd., Lake Mills **4:00 pm**



Looking ahead:

- October 28: Red Cross Blood Drive, Windsor Police Department 9:00 am 2:00 pm.
- November 4: Turn clocks back 1 hour before bed. (Daylight savings time ends 11/5)
- November 10 12: WELS/ELS Singles Retreat for 2023, Camp Phillip
- November 22: Thanksgiving Worship, 6:30 pm
- November 23: Thanksgiving Worship, 9:00 am
- **December 12:** Christmas in the Dells Dinner Show, 2:00 pm *tentative*
- December 20: Children's Christmas Service, 6:30 pm
- **January 11:** Red Cross Blood Drive at Lord of Love, 12 5 pm