



Sunday, November 15, 2020

Pentecost 24



## Welcome & Announcements

## Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

**Holy One, we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

## Opening Hymn: As We Gather at Your Table

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word, help us know, O God, your presence;  
let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;  
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's vict'ry known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life; send us forth to love and serve you,  
bringing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgave;  
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome  
those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy,  
as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

## Greeting & Prayer

### Prayer of the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Righteous God, our merciful master, **you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## Scripture Readings

### First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

L: Word of God; word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading: I Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

L: Word of God; word of life.      **C: Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 90:1-8,12

Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
in all generations.  
Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.  
You turn us back to dust,  
and say, "Turn back, you mortals."  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are like yesterday when it is past,  
or like a watch in the night.  
You sweep them away; they are like a dream,  
like grass that is renewed in the morning;  
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;  
in the evening it fades and withers.  
For we are consumed by your anger;  
by your wrath we are overwhelmed.  
You have set our iniquities before you,  
our secret sins in the light of your countenance.  
So teach us to count our days  
that we may gain a wise heart.

L: Word of God; word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Message:** Pastor Dwight Rudquist (includes the Gospel)

**Sermon Notes:**

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**Hymn of the Day: O Zion, Haste**

O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is light;  
that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.  
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

Publish to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is love;  
tell how he stopped to save his lost creation and died on earth that we might live above.  
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

He comes again! O Zion, ere you meet him, make known to ev'ry heart his saving grace;  
let none whom he has ransomed fail to greet him, through your neglect, unfit to see his face.  
Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

**Apostles' Creed**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers**

P: Hear us, O God, C: Your mercy is great.

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## Holy Communion

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, ... join in their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

### Words of Institution

#### The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

### Distribution of Elements

#### Communion Hymn: What Feast of Love

What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?

What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.

Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!

What light of truth is offered here, what covenant from heaven?

What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given?

This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven.

Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!

What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?

What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?

This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.

Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is given!

## Post Communion Blessing & Prayer

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way. **Amen.**

## Blessing

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God, Sovereign, Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

Beloved of God, go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## Closing Hymn: Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy;  
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express.  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Jesus call us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
give us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!



**PRAYERCARE** The family of John Solheim, Vicki Ford, Dave Danberg, Marilyn Burnes, Geri Swenson and the family of Andy Swenson, the family of Duane Rudquist, Don Grover, Caroline Greene, Nia Glynn, Doris Fors, Ann Rue, Helen Swanson, the Hackmann Family, the family of Joe Mallery, Dan Petersen, Julie Valez, the family of Margaret Dale, Marcielle Rogers, Cleo Stomberg, the family of Brian Maloney, Leo Nelson, Caren Carlson, Rose Anderson, Gail Johnson & the rest of David Clow's family, Yutaro Nakanishi, the family of Annie Lindgren and Cheryl Slattengren.

## Announcements

**Online Worship:** Worship will be online the entire month of November.

**Worship Assisting:** If you would like to be a lector or sing for a worship service (outdoor or online), we'd love to have you! Please contact Angie in the office for more details!

### Need Pastoral Care?

Call Pastor Dwight 651-829-4884

### Have questions or in need of something?

Church Office: 651-465-5265

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Monday 12:00pm - 5:00pm

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Thursday 8:30am - 11:30am

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### **COUNCIL** MEMBERS

Wendy Szczepanski

Miriam Flysjo

Rose Anderson

Craig Loen

Becky Hulden

## Intergenerational Faith Formation:

### Craft Day/Prayer Partner Day

- **Craft Day.** We have a fun & pretty dove craft that you can print, cut & follow the directions to make! Decorate your tree with the dove as an ornament, create garland with many or simply hang in the window. We would love for you to include the dove with your note to your prayer partner!
- **Prayer Partner Day.** We encourage you to send a card/note to your prayer partner!! We do have packets for youth members that we will be mailing out this week. We'd love for you to mail this out with a note if possible - please call Angie in the office to arrange a pick up/drop off of the packet!!!
- **Prayers Partner Sign Up.** Our Goal: each child and each youth be paired with an adult! We only have a few youth that need a prayer partner!! Call the office if you would like to know more!
- **Recorded Book Readings.** We'd love for you to read a book to share with others. Please check out the sign up sheet at the registration table to sign up for a month!

### Next Week: Library Day

### Video Credits

Pastor Dwight Rudquist

Toni Brekke: Organ

Arne Lagus: Lector

Carli Linngren: Photography

Angie Linngren: Photography, Filming & Editing