

# THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, November 14, 2021  
11:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Plain text indicates a part of the liturgy led by a worship leader.  
**Bold text indicates the congregational response.**

Hymn numbers refer to their corresponding pages in the back of the  
cranberry-colored *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal.

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Prelude

*My Lord, What a Morning*

Robert Hobby

## ENTRANCE RITE

*We stand as we are able.*

Hymn 652

*Built on a Rock*

Greeting

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

**C** **And also with you.**

*Standing is the posture of the resurrection. We stand when we sing hymns and for other parts of the service as an expression of resurrection joy. It is a way of proclaiming that Jesus is powerfully alive! Colossians 3:14-18*

*The Gloria  
("Glory to  
God...") is a con-  
tinuation of resur-  
rection praise.  
With the angels  
we sing God's  
glory revealed in  
Je-sus Christ.  
(Luke 2:14).*

## Gloria



Glo - ry to God in the high -  
est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and  
Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the  
right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

**Prayer of the Day**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen**

*We are seated.*

*The Prayer of the Day is tied to the overall theme of the scripture lessons or, sometimes, to the theme of day if it is a special occasion in the church calendar.*

*The tradition of reading sacred scripture in worship is a tie to our roots in Judaism. 1 Timothy 4:13 reminds us of the importance of this practice.*

*The first lesson is normally from the Old Testament.*

*A Psalm is spoken or sung as a meditation on the first lesson and as a response to it.*



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Daniel 12:1-3

L A reading from Daniel.

<sup>1</sup>“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16:1-8

*We chant the Psalm responsively, with the congregation singing the **bold** verses..*

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.**

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,  
never take their names upon my lips.**

<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD always before me;  
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

*The second reading, usually from the New Testament letters, bears the witness of the early church.*

Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

L A reading from Hebrews.

<sup>11</sup>Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand.*

*Alleluia comes from the Hebrew, “hallelu yah,” meaning “All of you praise the Lord.”*

Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Gospel Acclamation is the congregation's response to the announcement and reading of the Holy Gospel. It gives special focus to the Gospel, the principal and climactic biblical reading in the liturgy.*

*The Liturgy of the Word culminates in the reading of the gospel and the sermon by which Christ comes among his people and speaks to us in our own context. Because of this we stand to listen to the good news of our Lord.*

*This hymn complements the day's scripture readings and sermon.*

*The Apostles' Creed (which begins, "I believe...") is traditionally attributed to the first apostles, working under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. It has been known to the church since at least the fourth century.*

The Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray.

<sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit.*

Sermon

Pastor James Armentrout

*We stand as we are able and sing the hymn.*

Hymn 727

*Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth*

The Apostles' Creed

P Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.

**C 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**

We join our hearts in prayer as we pray for the Church, for the well-being of creation, for peace and justice, for those in need. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

### The Prayers



Each petition concludes:

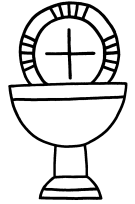
**P** Lord, in your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

Much more than a pleasant greeting—we do this to proclaim God's promise of peace. 2 Corinthians 13:11

### The Peace

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** **And also with you.**

We greet one another from our pews, saying "Peace be with you."



### The Offering

Our gifts are received and dedicated to our Lord's service. These offerings support the ministries of this congregation, the Virginia Synod, ELCA, and our global mission partners.

#### Anthem

#### My Lord, What a Morning

You will hear the trumpet sound,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the sinner cry,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.

You will hear the Christian shout,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.

*My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.*

- traditional African-American spiritual

As our gifts of offerings and tithes are brought forward we sing a canticle of thanksgiving for God's generous goodness.

### Offertory

### God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

God, whose giv-ing knows no end-ing, from your rich and end-less store:  
na-ture's won-der, Je-sus' wis-dom, cost-ly cross, grave's shat-tered door,  
gift-ed by you, we turn to you, of-fring up our-selves in praise;  
thank-ful song shall rise for - ev-er, gra-cious do-nor of our days.

*Our prayer is modeled after the Jewish prayer of thanksgiving and dedicates the giver to a stewardship of all life.*

### Offertory Prayer

P Let us pray. God of abundance,  
C **you cause streams to break forth in the desert  
and manna to rain from the heavens.  
Accept the gifts you have first given us.  
Unite them with the offering of our lives  
to nourish the world you love so dearly;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

*The Thanksgiving Dialogue begins the part of our worship called the Great Thanksgiving.*

### Thanksgiving Dialogue

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

*The dialogue and the Proper Preface are ancient parts of the worship which proclaim our thanks for the gifts of God in the meal.*

### The Proper Preface

*The presiding minister continues:* "It is indeed right ..."

*The proper preface concludes:* "we praise your name and join their unending hymn."



*The Sanctus echoes the angels' cry in Isaiah 6:3 and the crowds of Mark 11:9 as Jesus entered Jerusalem. This reminds us that we are in the presence of a God identified both by holiness and humility.*

## Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the  
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Eucharistic Prayer recalls God's saving acts throughout history and, particularly, the words and actions, the commands and promises of Jesus at the last supper with his disciples as recorded in scripture.*

## Eucharistic Prayer

**P** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,  
 who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,  
 who preached good news to the poor,  
 and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
 we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,  
 and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,  
 the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be all honor and glory, now and forever.

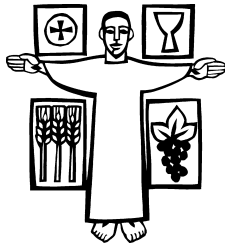
**C Amen**

*The Lord's Prayer brings the Great Thanksgiving to a conclusion. Prayed here, this familiar and beloved prayer becomes the table-prayer of the congregation. Luke 11:1-13; Matthew 6:5-15*

### The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
C **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.**

*We are seated.*



### COMMUNION WITH OUR RISEN LORD WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

We come forward by way of the center aisle, forming two lines to receive communion in front of the chancel steps. We return to our pews by way of the side aisles.



*Once we have all received the sacrament and returned to our seats, we celebrate the personal encounter with the risen Christ through blessing, prayer, and singing.*

### Post-Communion Blessing

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

### Post-Communion Prayer

- P Let us pray. Jesus, Lord of life,,  
C **in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

### Blessing

- P Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.  
C **Amen**



1. Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the re - sur - rec - tion song!
2. Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that eye has yet per - ceived!
3. Life e - ter - nal! heaven re - joic - es; Je - sus lives, who once was dead.



Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.  
Ho - liest hearts, for a - ges plead - ing, nev - er that full joy con - ceived.  
Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!



All a - round the clouds are break - ing, soon the storms of time shall cease;  
God has prom - ised, Christ pre - pares it, there on high our wel - come waits.  
Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won - ders crowd on faith; what joy un - known,



in God's like - ness we a - wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
Ev - ery hum - ble spir - it shares it; Christ has passed th'e - ter - nal gates.  
when, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!



*We are dismissed from worship knowing that our service does not end. Rather, having been in the presence of the risen Lord, we leave so that our service may truly begin.*

## Dismissal

**P** Go in peace, loving God and loving your neighbor.

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

## Postlude

*Built on a Rock*

arr. Edwin T. Childs



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