

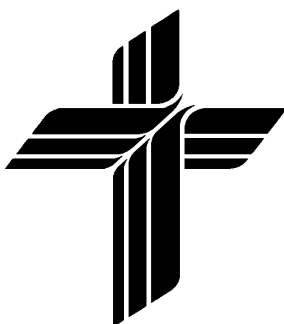
PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

“A Disciple Making Community”

“KNOW, GROW, and GO”

West Salem, Wisconsin
The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
LWML Sunday
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Our Mission:

“Prince of Peace exists to be a disciple making community for the Lord Jesus Christ”

Our Message:

“We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”

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Holy Communion at Prince of Peace, LCMS

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod practices “Close Communion” as an expression of unity in doctrine (1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 1:10). When a person partakes of the Sacrament at the Altar he is also confessing his unreserved agreement with that church body’s doctrine. Because of doctrinal differences existing between the Missouri Synod and other Lutheran bodies, and also with other denominations, we cannot expect their members to make that kind of confession at our altar, nor do we desire anyone to compromise his own convictions and his church body’s teachings. Therefore, our practice of “Close Communion” admits only those in doctrinal agreement who are members of congregations of the Missouri Synod.

The Holy Sacrament requires a mature participation which includes self-examination (1 Corinthians 11:28). Scripture also warns against “unworthy” reception (impenitence or unbelief) which would bring God’s judgment on the recipient: 1 Corinthians 11:27; 1 Corinthians 11:29. Thus, out of loving concern for all, and commitment to the Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions, we practice “Close Communion”. We thank you for your cooperation and respect for our practice.

Those who will not be communing, but would like to receive a blessing are invited to come forward. Please cross your arms on your chest to indicate that you are requesting a blessing. May the Holy Spirit bless us all as we “Search the Scriptures” (John 5:39), and humbly strive to “Continue in His Word.” (John 8:31) Please speak to an elder if you have questions concerning communion.

Theme

The Lord bestows favor on man. He is to possess dominion over every living creature and is given woman to be his most blessed companion. Marriage between a husband and his wife is meant to prevail through life’s circumstances. Yet adultery and divorce diminish this blessed institution. In all things designed by God and destroyed by sin, man is dependent upon the glory, honor, suffering, and death of Jesus. Only in Him is there perseverance, restoration, and forgiveness.

Order of Service:

Divine Service 3, p. 184ff

Opening Hymn 869 With the Lord Begin Your Task
Confession and Absolution (LSB p. 184)

Service of the Word (LSB p.186-189)

Introit

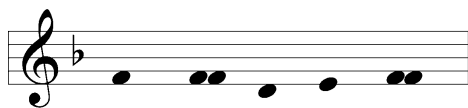
Psalm 127:3–5; antiphon: v. 1a

Unless the LORD builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.
Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD,
the fruit of the womb a reward.
Like arrows in the hand of a warrior
are the children of one's youth.
Blessèd is the man who fills his quiver with them!
He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.
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.
Unless the LORD builds the house,
those who build it labor in vain.

Kyrie (LSB p.186)

Gloria in Excelsis (LSB p. 187)

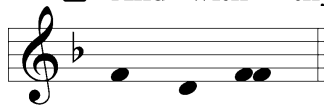
Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.

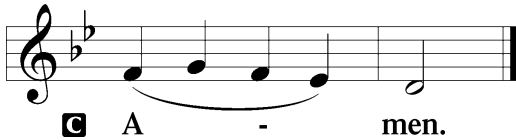


C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 2:18–25

Genesis 2:18–25

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man.”

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

Epistle: Hebrews 2:1-18

Hebrews 2

¹Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ²For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him,
or the son of man, that you care for him?

⁷You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor,
⁸putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹²saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

¹³And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

¹⁴Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel: Mark 10:2–16

Mark 10:2–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away.” ⁵And Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife,

⁸and they shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate.”

¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed (p. 192)

Sit

Children's Sermon

862 Oh, Blest the House

Sermon "Our Divine Purpose" Genesis 2:18-25

Offering

Offertory (p. 192-193)

Psalm 51:10-12

Blessing of the Quilts

P We gather today in the name of our compassionate Savior, to give thanks for women like Dorcas who used their willing hands to give comfort and life's necessities to those in need.

C We thank You, Father, for Dorcas of old and the women who follow in her footsteps, using their talents with needles and thread.

P To You, merciful Lord, we give thanks for all the faithful women who, alone in their homes or in small groups, cut and sew together the colorful scraps of fabric to form tops of spectacular patterns and hues.

C Lord, we ask Your blessings for these women as they create their labors of love.

P Lord, Source of all Comfort, we express our gratitude for the caring women who gather here to quilt, tie, and bind the “comforters.”

C We thank You for the quilters and ask You to bind our hearts in love for the people these quilts will comfort in times of stress.

P Father, we now dedicate this rainbow of quilts to the glory of God and ask that You shower blessings upon the people of many colors who will use them for warmth, for shelter, for luggage, and for sustaining life.

C Lord, teach us, also, to use our talents to reach out to the world’s downtrodden people as these quilters have learned to do.

P Jesus, we ask that You continue to bless the work of the quilters, the Lutheran Women in Mission and Orphan Grain Train.

C Bless their work, O Lord, and may it draw people to You.

P For to You, O Lord, is the glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Loving Father, Your Son took the little children into His arms and blessed them. Help Your saints to welcome little ones with joy, that nothing may hinder their entrance into the kingdom of God and the arms of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Gracious Lord, You give us men to guide Your Church on earth. We ask Your blessing for Matthew, our Synod president; Eric, our district president; Jacob, our circuit visitor; and all pastors together with the many servants and treasures of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, be near all couples struggling in their marriages. Guard them from hardness of heart that would separate what You have joined together, and reconcile them to one another to live in Christ's forgiveness and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, be near to families torn apart by adultery and divorce. Sustain and heal the wounded with Your love. Give repentance to the guilty and hope in Your forgiveness in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, grant Your wisdom to Joseph, our president; to all public servants; and to those who work to bring peace, justice, health and protection in this and every place, that they may be strengthened and upheld in every good deed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious God, You promise to abide with Your people and uphold them in their suffering. Comfort all who are sick and sorrowing [*especially* _____]. Strengthen their faith in the midst of their trials, and grant them health and healing according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy Lord, Your Son gives us His very body and blood to eat and drink in the Supper. Grant us Your grace, that we may approach Your table with repentant hearts and a firm resolution to amend our sinful lives by the help of Your Holy Spirit. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, help us by Your Spirit to fear You and walk in Your ways in Christ, that we may eat the fruit of the labor of our hands and receive Your blessing in all that we do; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

(p. 194-202)

Distribution Hymns

770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

707 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

937 Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace

Nunc Dimittis

(LSB p. 199)

Post-Communion Collect

(LSB p. 201)

Salutation and Benedicamus (LSB p.201)

Benediction (LSB p. 202)

Closing Hymn

“Serve the Lord with Gladness”

(Tune: “Onward Christian Soldiers”)

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

It is He alone Who redeemed us sinners,

Guides us as His own

To enjoy the blessings Of His love and grace,

Will at last in glory Meet us face to face.

Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

Glorify His name.

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”

He gave us command To proclaim His Gospel

Now in every land

So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest.

Leading them to Jesus, We can serve Him best.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”
Glorify His name!

“Serve the Lord with gladness!”
There’s no greater joy
Than to serve the Master, Work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner Brought to hear His voice.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
“Serve the Lord with gladness!”
Glorify His name!
(Lutheran Women’s Missionary League, www.lwml.org)

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In fervent
gratitude for
the Savior's
dying love
and His
blood-bought
gift of
redemption
we dedicate
ourselves to
Him with all

that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for
workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our
willing service wherever and whenever He has need of
us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for

Him, our feet
to go on His
errands, our
voice to sing
His praises,
our lips to
proclaim His
redeeming
love, our silver
and our gold to
extend His
kingdom, our
will to do His
will, and every
power of our
life to the great
task of
bringing the
lost and the
erring into
eternal
fellowship
with Him.

Amen.

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