



# WORSHIP SERVICE

## October 6, 2024

### Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

#### GATHERING

#### ♫ PRELUDE

#### † WELCOME

#### † CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

**C: Amen.**



#### ♫ GATHERING SONG ~ The Earth Is Full of Wit and Wisdom

Wall

Verse 1:

Earth is full of wit and wisdom,  
sounding God's delighted laugh,  
from the tiny roly-poly  
to the treetop-tall giraffe.  
All creation sings in wonder;  
even rocks and trees rejoice  
as they join the ringing chorus:  
echoes of our Maker's voice.

Verse 2:

Earth is full of wit and wisdom,  
woven into harmony.  
Ev'ry creature has a purpose,  
ev'ry flow'r and bumblebee.  
Spider, human, redwood, gecko,  
monkey, chicken, mouse, and snake  
live within a single fabric:  
cloth that only God could make.

Verse 3:

Earth is full of wit and wisdom:  
penguin, platypus, and snail,  
cactus, sea slug, oak, and algae,  
from the microbe to the whale.  
In this great and strange creation,  
with a breath God gives us birth:  
born of soil to live as stewards,  
called to love and serve the earth.

#### † 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.**

#### ♫ KYRIE

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♩ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    ♩ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

♩ Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    ♩ Christ, have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:

♩ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    ♩ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:



☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

☐ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

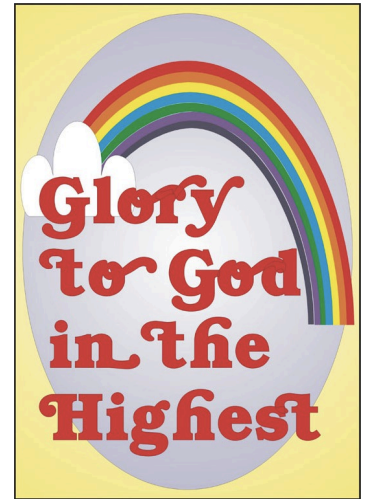
world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;

glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

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, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high-est;  
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,  
 and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



†**DIALOG OF PRAISE: Psalm 8**

- <sup>1</sup>O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
<sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;  
 you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.  
<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?  
<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.  
<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:  
<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.  
<sup>9</sup>O Lord our Lord,  
 how majestic is your name in all the earth!

†**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**WORD**

†**LESSONS: Genesis 2:18-24**

**Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12**

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



**♫ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
 Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



**† GOSPEL - Mark 10:2-16**

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**† SERMON**

Pastor Teri Hermsmeyer

**♫ HYMN OF THE DAY ~ If You But Trust in God to Guide You**

ELW #769

Verse 1:

If you but trust in God to guide you  
 with gentle hand through all your ways,  
 you'll find that God is there beside you  
 when crosses come, in trying days.  
 Trust then in God's unchanging love;  
 build on the rock that will not move.

Verse 2:

What gain is there in anxious weeping,  
 in helpless anger and distress?  
 If you are in your Savior's keeping,  
 in sorrow will he love you less?  
 For Christ who took for you a cross  
 will bring you safe through ev'ry loss.

Verse 3:

The Lord our restless hearts is holding,  
 in peace and quietness content.  
 We rest in God's good will unfolding,  
 what wisdom from on high has sent.  
 God, who has chosen us by grace,  
 knows very well the fears we face.

Verse 4:

Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving,  
 offer your service faithfully.  
 Trust heaven's word; though undeserving,  
 you'll find this promise true to be.  
 This is our confidence indeed:  
 God never fails in time of need.

**† THE 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: God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.



**† PEACE**

MEAL

† GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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



† WORDS OF INSTITUTION

† LORD'S PRAYER

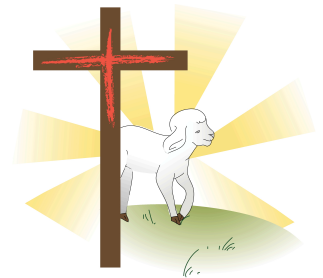
Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;

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.

♫ LAMB OF GOD

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♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.



† THE MEAL IS SHARED

*All are welcome at the Lord's table for Holy Communion.  
The ushers will direct you to the altar to receive the gifts.  
You will receive gluten free bread from the Pastor.  
Then the assisting minister will offer you a prefilled cup of wine (dark) or grape juice (light).*

♫ **COMMUNION HYMN ~ *Blest Be The Tie That Binds***

ELW #656

Verse 1:

Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love;  
the unity of heart and mind  
is like to that above.

Verse 2:

Before our Father's throne  
we pour our ardent prayers;  
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,  
our comforts and our cares.

Verse 3:

We share our mutual woes,  
our mutual burdens bear,  
and often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.

Verse 4:

From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
and sin we shall be free;  
and perfect love and friendship reign  
through all eternity.

† **COMMUNION BLESSING**

† **PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION**

P: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

**SENDING**

† **BENEDICTION**

♫ **SENDING SONG - *How Majestic is Your Name*** (sung twice)

Praise Songbook #34

O Lord, our Lord,  
how majestic is Your name  
in all the earth.  
O Lord, our Lord,  
how majestic is Your name  
in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise Your name.  
O Lord, we magnify Your name,  
Prince of Peace, mighty God,  
O Lord God Almighty.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

† **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.



♫ **POSTLUDE**

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**OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

*“Glory of God Lutheran Church is committed to bring people  
to Jesus and His love in a way that is accepting,  
compelling, creative and inspiring.”*