



**Lord of Life**  
Lutheran Church



*Loved by God,  
Sent to Serve.*

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
October 23, 2022**

**Evangelical Lutheran Worship**  
Setting Four

**GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

**Prelude: “Psalm 84”**

**John Carter**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✠ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

- 1 God, when human bonds are broken  
and we lack the love or skill  
to restore the hope of healing,  
give us grace and make us still.
- 2 Through that stillness, with your Spirit  
come into our world of stress,  
for the sake of Christ forgiving  
all the failures we confess.
- 3 You in us are bruised and broken:  
hear us as we seek release  
from the pain of earlier living;  
set us free and grant us peace.

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## **Greeting**

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.**

## **Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,  
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Canticle of Praise**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22**

*In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.*

<sup>7</sup>Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. <sup>8</sup>O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? <sup>9</sup>Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

<sup>10</sup>Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

<sup>19</sup>Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but

find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. <sup>20</sup>We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. <sup>21</sup>Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. <sup>22</sup>Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

*The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.*

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

<sup>16</sup>At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! <sup>17</sup>But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. <sup>18</sup>The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

## **Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

The holy gospel according to Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.*

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:<sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Paul Amlin**

**Hymn of the Day: *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy***

**ELW 588**

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| <p>1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,<br/>like the wideness of the sea;<br/>there's a kindness in God's justice<br/>which is more than liberty.<br/>There is no place where earth's sorrows<br/>are more felt than up in heav'n.<br/>There is no place where earth's failings<br/>have such kindly judgment giv'n.</p> | <p>2 There is welcome for the sinner,<br/>and a promised grace made good;<br/>there is mercy with the Savior;<br/>there is healing in his blood.<br/>There is grace enough for thousands<br/>of new worlds as great as this;<br/>there is room for fresh creations<br/>in that upper home of bliss.</p> |
| <p>3 For the love of God is broader<br/>than the measures of our mind;<br/>and the heart of the Eternal<br/>is most wonderfully kind.<br/>But we make this love too narrow<br/>by false limits of our own;<br/>and we magnify its strictness<br/>with a zeal God will not own.</p>                                       |   |

## **Prayers of Intercession**

... Hear us, O god, **your mercy is great.**  
... through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

**Offertory Music: “St. Anne”**

**setting, Nancy Raabe**

**Offering: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful***

**ELW 184**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and dreams of all;  
unite them with the prayers we offer.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.



Scan code to give now.

## **Offering Prayer in Unison**

Let us pray.

**Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

# Great Thanksgiving

## Dialogue

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.**

## Preface

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n 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.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

### 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.

## Invitation to Communion

### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

### Communion Distribution Song: *Lord Jesus, Think on Me*

ELW 599

1 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
and purge away my sin;  
from selfish passions set me free  
and make me pure within.

2 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
by anxious thoughts oppressed;  
let me your loving servant be  
and taste your promised rest.

3 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
nor let me go astray;  
through darkness and perplexity  
point out your chosen way.

4 Lord Jesus, think on me,  
that, when the flood is past,  
I may the eternal brightness see  
and share your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375-430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808-1896, alt.  
Music: W. Daman, *The Psalms of David*, 1579, alt. Public Domain.

### Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

### SENDING

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

### Announcements

#### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**Amen.**

## **Sending Song: *Blessed Be the Name***

**ELW 453**

1 Blessed be the name,  
blessed be the name,  
blessed be the name, Jesus' name.  
Blessed be the name,  
blessed be the name,  
blessed be the name, Jesus' name.  
Believe!  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Blessed be the name, Jesus' name.  
Believe!  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Blessed be the name, Jesus' name.

2 Let us go to Jesus,  
let us go to Jesus,  
let us go to Jesus in heav'n.  
Let us go to Jesus,  
let us go to Jesus,  
let us go to Jesus in heav'n.  
Believe!  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Let us go to Jesus in heav'n.  
Believe!  
Alleluia, alleluia.  
Let us go to Jesus in heav'n.

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## **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Postlude: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

**ST. ANNE**  
**setting, Nancy Raabe**

## **Announcements**

### **Worship Online**

#### **Zoom:**

<https://bit.ly/2PvSCQJ>

Meeting ID: 563 582 7371

Passcode: Luther

#### **Phone in at:**

(312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 563 582 7371

Passcode: 456037

### **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers are offered to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nick and Anita Ackerman and also to celebrate Nick's birthday which would have been October 27th by Mike Ackerman and his family.

### **Senior Lunch**

Join the gang this Thursday for Lunch at Otto's in Galena!

## **This Week at Lord of Life**

Today	8:00 AM	Worship in-person or online
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	<b>9:15 AM</b>	<b>Adult Congregational Meeting</b>
	10:30 AM	Worship in-person or online
Wednesday, October 26	6:30 PM	Choir rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Bell Choir rehearsal
Thursday, October 27	11:30 AM	Senior Lunch – Otto’s in Galena
	6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry

## **All Saint's Sunday**

We invite you to submit the names of loved ones who've died in the past 12 months for reading during the All Saints Sunday service (November 6th). Please contact the office with the information. Thank you.

## **Breakfast with the Saints!**

Join us for a special breakfast gathering between services on All Saints Sunday (November 6th) as we enjoy food and conversation and memories together. Sign up at the coffee bar if you plan to attend. We can't wait to see you there!

## **Adopt a College Student**

We will be adopting college students again this November. The first step is to collect information about students pursuing secondary education. If you have a child you'd like to include in the program, please email Maria Troftgruben the following information by October 30th:

Student's Name, School Address, Favorite snack, Favorite candy, Ideas for small gift cards, Field of study/ what they are doing right now, any other helpful information, Date they return home for winter break

## **Prayer List**

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**Servants:**

**Sunday October 23**

	<b>Tech</b>	<b>Assisting</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Jon/Rita	Kevin Curoe	Darlene Curoe	Tim Shade Sandy Arp
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Nate F. Timothy T.	Luke Boyle	Diane Frambach	Val Kennedy

**Sunday October 30**

<b>8:00 AM</b>			Jenn Cartee	Dean Niklasen Lois F.
<b>10:30 AM</b>		Diane Frambach	Roger K.	Galen Thomas

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