

# **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

*October 22, 2017*

*Order of Worship 8:30 A.M.*

## **WELCOME TO GRACE**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

*Stand as you are able.*

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

**P** Blessed be the + holy Trinity, the one who fashions us, the one who heals us, the one who reforms us again and again.

**C** **Amen**

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

**P** Source of all life,

**C** **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen**

P God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C Amen**

**Gathering Hymn**     *'You Servants of God'*     **825**

## **Greeting**

*Be seated.*

## **Opening Litany**

A You are the treasured people of the Lord.

**C a people holy to the Lord our God.**

A Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

A One does not live by bread alone,

**C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P Let us pray

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.  
Created by you, let us live in your image;  
created for you, let us act for your glory;  
redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen**

## First Reading

Isaiah 45:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him—  
and the gates shall not be closed:

<sup>2</sup>I will go before you  
and level the mountains,  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron,

<sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

<sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob,  
and Israel my chosen,  
I call you by your name,  
I surname you, though you do not know me.

<sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other;  
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,

<sup>6</sup>so that they may know, from the rising of the sun  
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;  
I am the LORD, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness,  
I make weal and create woe;  
I the LORD do all these things.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

## Second Reading

I Thessalonians 1:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly

<sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you,

<sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

L The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Stand as you are able.*

**Gospel Acclamation** 'Alleluia!' p. 142

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.

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

**Holy Gospel** Matthew 22:15-22

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. <sup>16</sup>So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" <sup>21</sup>They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup>When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Be seated.*

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day**

**871**

'Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good' (tune #590)

*Stand as you are able.*

**Apostles' Creed**

p. 105

## Prayers of Intercession

*Petitions end:*

A Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting the power of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit.

**C Amen**

## Peace

*The people greet one another saying: "Peace be with you".*

*Be seated.*

## Offering

*Stand as you are able.*

**Offertory** 'Let The Vineyards Be Fruitful' 184

## Offering Prayer

A God of life,

**C you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

**Great Thanksgiving** p. 144

**Lord's Prayer** p. 145

*Be seated.*

## Distribution of Holy Communion

*Come to the communion rail by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. You may kneel or stand. Wine is in the common cup and tray of individual cups. If you prefer grape juice, ask the server. Children are invited for a blessing. All are welcome who believe Christ is present in this meal for the forgiveness of sins.*

## Hymns at the Distribution

<i>'Lamb of God'</i>	p. 146
<i>'Now We Join in Celebration'</i>	<b>462</b>
<i>'Lord, Be Glorified'</i>	<b>744</b>

*Stand as you are able.*

## Table Blessing

### Post Communion Prayer

A Jesus Christ, host of this meal,

**C you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore. Amen**

## Blessing

### Sending Hymn

*'God of Grace and God of Glory'* **705**

### Dismissal

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

## Prayer Huddle

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## **Worship Assistants: October 22**

**Greeters:** Mason – Mary Boldt  
East – Verla Koerner / Sue Anderson

**Assisting Minister:** Mark Balkman

**Lector:** Mark Balkman

**Communion 8:30:** Marty Grow

**Communion 10:30:** Deb Werth

**Ushers:** John Kading, Bob Waldron, Ed Kerwell

**Organist:** Diane Bailey

**Attendance 10/15:** 8:30 am–47 & 10:30 am-11

**H.S. Grilled Cheese Lunch:** 10/5 – 166 students

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## ***In Prayer this Week***

***For members on the Care List*** especially Ellen Holz and Donny Kassube.

***For Healing*** for Tom Jensen; Mardie Paalman, Cookie Regal's sister; Winston Augustus Smith, Cheryl Muggenthaler's nephew; Mary Langdon, Cheryl Muggenthaler's sister-in-law; Rev. Jennie Johnson Wrege; Valerie Sieg; Marvin Wrege; Sharon Meier; Margaret Congdon; Jerry Wilharms.

***For those with cancer*** especially Melissa Heins, Gene and Karen Krull's daughter; Mark Catlin; Roger Schmidt; Marian Breitenfeldt; Enid Andrews.

***"Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer."*** Romans 12:12



*If you have a Prayer Chain request, please contact Mary Hubers (731-1428) or Susan Pringnitz (733-7591). Call the church office with requests for prayer to be put in the bulletin and/or to ask for a prayer to be relayed to the Prayer Chain.*

## **Announcements**

**All Saints' Sunday:** On Sunday, November 5, 2017 we will be celebrating All Saints' Day during worship. If you have a loved one who has passed away since last All Saints' Day, please contact the office by email [Grace54914@gmail.com](mailto:Grace54914@gmail.com) or call after 2:00 pm to the church office 733-9135. We need the correct spelling and the date of death. We will also include the names of those recently baptized in the last year, again we need correct spelling and dates. We will need these names and dates by October 30.

**Today's Flowers** are to the Glory of God in honor of Carol and William Patrick's wedding anniversary.

**Children's Book Sale** - We now have open our Spark children's book sale. Check out our selection of books plus many more on the order forms. You can get great price and free shipping. Order soon as the sale ends November 5.

### **Grace is having a Reformation 500 Bookstore!**

The 500th anniversary of the Reformation is fast approaching! Do you want to learn more about Martin Luther, his writings, and their impact on Christianity? Do you want to reflect on the ongoing impact of the Reformation today? Stop by our Reformation 500 Bookstore to shop for engaging books on the Reformation for readers of all ages and interests! Save up to 50% plus receive free shipping on all Bookstore titles. The last day to place your order is November 5.

**The Human Trafficking Awareness: Educating the Community Event** will take place on Saturday, November 11 at All Saints Lutheran in Oshkosh. The event will run from 8:00 a.m. till noon. It is free and open to the public, but preregistration is required. Go to [www.Eventbrite.com](http://www.Eventbrite.com) 11-11-7 to register. Learn facts about Human Trafficking from 8 active organizations on the front lines and what you can do to help.

**Adult Forum** - Our Adult Forum is meeting each Sunday at 9:40 in the kitchen. Please come and join us! We are using the pamphlet, Reformation: the Word at Work. We will look at the history of the Reformation and some of scriptures that influenced the huge change not only in the church, but also in the whole European society. See you there.

### ***Welcome to Grace***

*Whether you are a member or visiting for the first time, may God's grace surround you today.  
There is a guest book to sign in the gathering area.  
If you are looking for a church home,  
you are welcome here.*

## **GRACE FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, Oct. 22**.....8:30 a.m. Worship  
9:25 a.m. Sunday School  
9:40 a.m. Adult Forum  
10:30 a.m. Worship

**Monday, Oct. 23**.....7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**.....8:30 a.m. Quilting  
6:00 p.m. Confirmation  
6:30 p.m. FV Chorus

**Wednesday, Oct. 25**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. TLC Worship  
6:45 p.m. AA Meeting

**Thursday, Oct. 26**.....10 a.m. H.S. Grilled Cheese  
6:30 p.m. Trinity Singers Practice

**Friday, Oct. 27**.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study

**Saturday, Oct. 28**.....9:00 a.m. Hmong Service

**Sunday, Oct. 29**.....8:30 a.m. Worship  
9:25 a.m. Sunday School  
9:40 a.m. Adult Forum  
10:30 a.m. Worship

*Sunday School sings at 10:30 a.m. Worship*