

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 17 and 18, 2026



WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. Chad E. Hoover
Lector: Seminarian Juston Lantrip
Organist: Lynne Eifert
Choir: Adult Choir (8:00, 10:30)
Acolytes: Isaac Carter, Nora Bender (8:00)
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Elder: Ben Oberlin (5:00)
Mike Sweet (8:00, 10:30)
Ushers: Group S1 (Dale Loshe) (5:00)
Group 4 (Bill Bremer) (8:00)
Group 3 (Mark Schuller) (10:30)
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WELCOME to those visiting us this Lord’s Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORY ~ Everyone, please sign in!

AS WE GATHER ~ God calls His people to lives that include showing respect for the authorities placed over us. At the time Paul wrote to his coworker Timothy, “I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions” (1 Timothy 2:1–2), the Roman world had been ruled by a series of tyrannical and cruel emperors for decades. When Jesus spoke of the duty of people to “render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s” (Matthew 22:21), the Roman emperor was Tiberius Caesar, portrayed by noted historians of his time, Tacitus and Suetonius, as a mean-spirited tyrant and a man ever ready to spill blood. Sometimes, in His providence, God shows His dominion in ways not readily understood and chooses to work through untoward and unlikeable people. He may even use non-Christian leaders and unchristian nations to further His gracious plans. In living as faithful citizens, we are called to carry out the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, including paying taxes. At the same time, we are to demonstrate our highest allegiance to God by being people of faith who evidence our eternal hope in Christ in all situations and who offer prayers for those who rule over us.

PRELUDE *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* (Blersch)

GREETING AND RINGING OF THE BELLS

♪ **OPENING HYMN** ↓ *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* *LSB 940*
Holy God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim, all in heav’n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain, everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heav’ns with sweet accord: holy, holy, holy Lord!

Lo, the apostles’ holy train join Thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow,
And from morn to set of sun through the Church the song goes on.

Thou art King of Glory, Christ; Son of God, yet born of Mary.
For us sinners sacrificed, as to death a Tributary,
First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav’n to faith.

Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one, undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

INVOCATION ~ Page 184 ↑

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen. (Matthew 28:19)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ~ Page 184 ↑

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. (Hebrews 10:22)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
People: who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. (Psalm 32:5)

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,
People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen. (John 20:19-23)

INTROIT FOR THE DAY ↑ (Psalm 121:1–4, 7–8; antiphon: v. 5)

Pastor: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
People: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

People: Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

People: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

♪ GLORIA PATRI ~ Page 186 ↑

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

♪ KYRIE ~ *Lord Have Mercy* ~ Page 186 ↑

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

♪ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ *Glory to God in the Highest* ~ Page 187 ↑

Pastor: Glory be to God on high:

People: And on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

Art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

♪ COLLECT OF THE DAY ~ Page 189 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: O God, the protector of all who trust in You,
have mercy on us

that with You as our ruler and guide

we may so pass through things temporal

that we lose not the things eternal;

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING ↓

Isaiah 45:1-7 (ESV)

¹Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,

whose right hand I have grasped,

to subdue nations before him

and to loose the belts of kings,

to open doors before him

that gates may not be closed:

²“I will go before you

and level the exalted places,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze

and cut through the bars of iron,

³I will give you the treasures of darkness

and the hoards in secret places,

that you may know that it is I, the Lord,

the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,

and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name,

I name you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the Lord, and there is no other,

besides me there is no God;

I equip you, though you do not know me,

⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun

and from the west, that there is none besides me;

I am the Lord, and there is no other.

⁷I form light and create darkness,

I make well-being and create calamity,

I am the Lord, who does all these things.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING ↓

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (ESV)

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

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

Grace to you and peace.

²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

♪ ALLELUIA ~ Page 190 ↑
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL READING ↑ **Matthew 22:15-22 (ESV)**

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

♪ **People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. ¹⁶And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” ²¹They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

♪ **People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

APOSTLES’ CREED - Page 192 ↑
I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.
From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY ↓ *Evening and Morning* **LSB 726**
In the morning services, the choir will sing verse 2.

**Evening and morning, sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace, and gladness, comfort in sadness:
These are Thy works; all the glory be Thine!
Times without number, awake or in slumber,
Thine eye observes us, from danger preserves us,
Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.**

**Father, O hear me, pardon and spare me;
Calm all my terrors, blot out my errors
That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
Order my goings, direct all my doings;
As it may please Thee, retain or release me;
All I commit to Thy fatherly hand.**

**Ills that still grieve me soon are to leave me;
Though billows tower, and winds gain power,
After the storm the fair sun shows its face.
Joys e’er increasing and peace never ceasing:**

**These shall I treasure and share in full measure
When in His mansions God grants me a place.**

**To God in heaven all praise be given!
Come, let us offer and gladly proffer
To the Creator the gifts He doth prize.
He well receiveth a heart that believeth;
Hymns that adore Him are precious before Him
And to His throne like sweet incense arise.**

SERMON ↓

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds
in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:7)

People: Amen.

♪ OFFERTORY - Page 192 ↑ (Psalm 51:10-12)

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH ↑

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

WE PRAY FOR...

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your
mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.



The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. For further study, see Matthew 5:23f; 10:32f; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.

♪ PREFACE ~ Page 194 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right and salutary.....evermore praising You and saying:

♪ SANCTUS ~ Page 195 ↑

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. (Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9)

LORD'S PRAYER ~ Page 196 ↑

**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.**

(Matthew 6:9-13)

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD ~ Page 197 ↑ (Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11)

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread; and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

♪ PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord* ~ Page 197 ↑

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

(John 20:19)

♪ AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God* ~ Page 198 ↑

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,
Grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(John 1:29)

♪ DISTRIBUTION ↓ (8:00, 10:30) *Communion Song* (Price/Besig)

We come to the table the Lord has prepared.

With hearts ever grateful, we join now in prayer.

For times we have failed in the lives that we live,

We come to seek forgiveness that God alone can give.

Now the bread is broken; now the cup is poured.

Now the words are spoken in remembrance of our Lord.

Now we know God’s promise; now we know God’s grace.

Now we find forgiveness in this gift of love we share today.

We come as believers who trust in the Lord.

We come because we love Him and want to love Him more.

Now the bread is broken; now the cup is poured.

Now the words are spoken in remembrance of our Lord.

Now we know God’s promise; now we feel God’s grace.

Now we find forgiveness in this gift of love we share today.

Now we find forgiveness as we share God’s love today.

We Give Thee But Thine Own

LSB 781

We give Thee but Thine own, whate’er the gift may be;

All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus as stewards true receive

And gladly, as Thou blesses us, to Thee our first-fruits give!

Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, and homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled are straying from the fold.

To comfort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and father-less is angels’ work below.

The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace, it is a Christ-like thing.

And we believe Thy Word, though dim our faith may be:
Whate’er for Thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto Thee.

BLESSING ↑

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in
body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

People: Amen.

♪ NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon* ~ Page 199 ↑

(Luke 2:29-32)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

For mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

Which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

A light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

♪ THANKSGIVING ~ Page 200 ↑

Pastor: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

People: and His mercy endureth forever.

(Psalm 107:1)

POST COMMUNION COLLECT ~ Page 201 ↑

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

♪ People: Amen.

♪ SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS ~ Page 202 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

People: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Bless we the Lord. (Psalm 103:1)

People: Thanks be to God.

♪ BENEDICTION ~ Page 202 ↑

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

People: Amen, amen, amen. (Numbers 6:24-26)

♪ CLOSING HYMN ↑ *Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings* **LSB 782**

Gracious God, You send great blessings new each morning all our days.

For Your mercies never ending, for Your love we offer praise.

Refrain: **Lord, we pray that we, Your people who Your gifts un-numbered claim,
Through the sharing of Your blessings may bring glory to Your name.**

By Your Word You formed creation filled with creatures large and small;

As we tend that endless treasure may our care encircle all. *Refrain*

In His earthly life, our Savior knew the care of faithful friends;

May our deeds of dedication offer love that never ends. *Refrain*

Heav'nly Father, may our caring bear the imprint of Your grace;

With the Son and Holy Spirit, praise be Yours in ev'ry place! *Refrain*

POSTLUDE *Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings (Ore)*



*Please remember to place your offering for the work of the Lord at Emanuel
in the offering plate as you leave.*