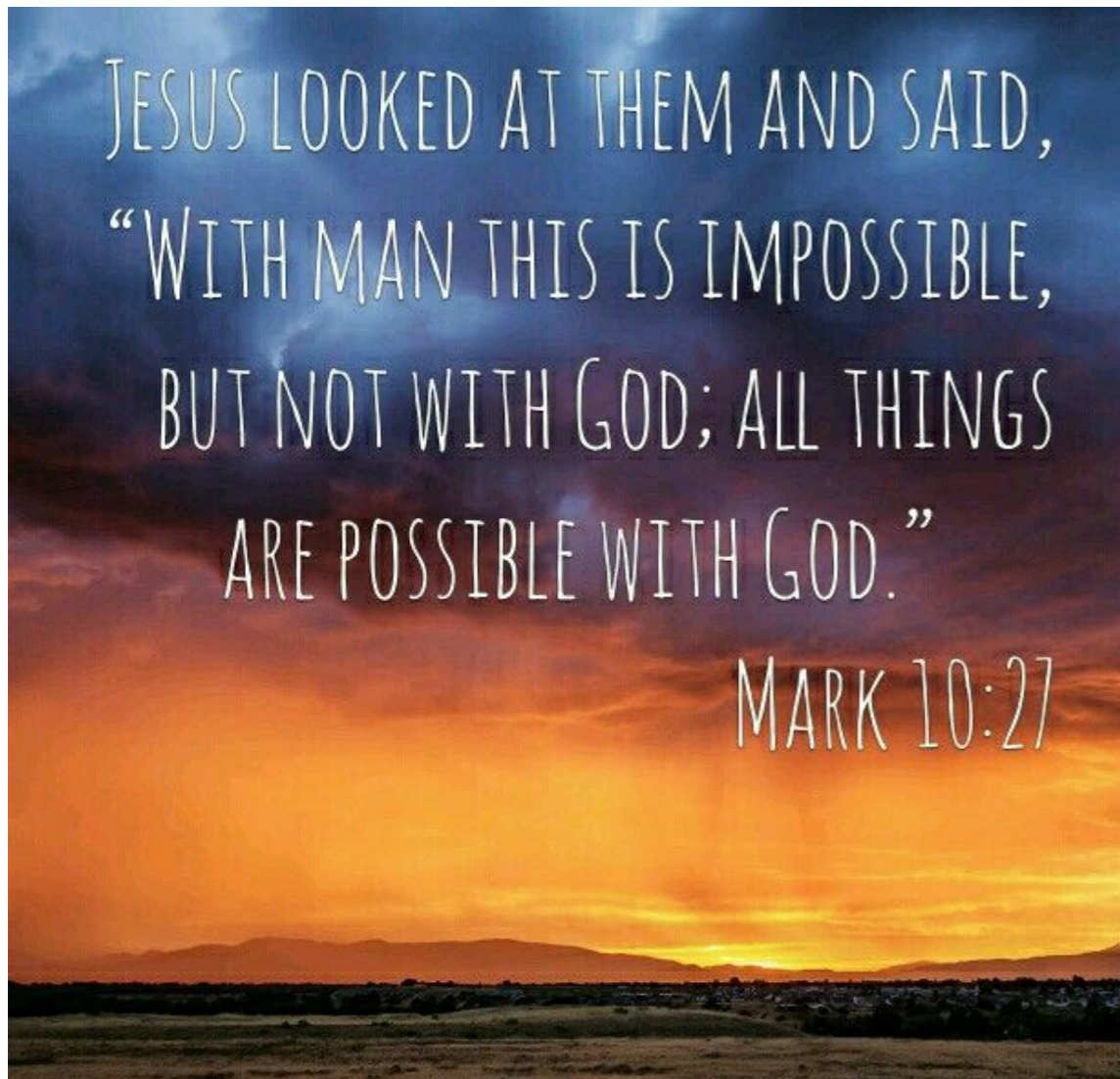


THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 19-20, 2024

**"Changing Lives through Worship, Compassion, and Christian Education"**

**"Persevere With Thanksgiving"**



**Music of Preparation  
Welcome, Announcements, Greeting**

**Our Ministry:** We are a people of God who are: ***"Changing Lives through Worship, Compassion, and Christian Education."***

**Welcome!** Beloved of Christ, welcome to worship, faith education and Christian fellowship this day. May you sense the embrace of God's love through the people you interact with here.

**Devotions & Publications** are available in the Main Entryway. Please leave donation envelopes in the offering plate.

**..... WORSHIP NOTES .....**

**\*Communion: *The Lord's Supper - A Reverent Sacrament***

The Apostle Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 11:27,29, "Anyone who eats the bread or drinks the Lord's cup in an unworthy way is guilty of sinning against the Lord's body and blood. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the Lord's body brings judgment on himself as he eats and drinks." In view of the serious nature of the Lord's Supper, Paul commands us to examine ourselves to see if we are partaking the supper for the purposes for which Christ instituted with our hearts properly prepared. We heartily invite Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod to receive of the Lord's Supper. Other guests, we ask you to see the pastor or lay minister first so that you may receive the supper to your benefit rather than to your harm as the Apostle Paul warns.

NOTE: If you are allergic or cannot drink full strength wine, The two (2) cups in the center of each tray have water with a drop or two of wine.

**Note About Attendance Cards...**Remember that the only way we may know you are worshiping with us is by seeing your name on an attendance card. These cards may be completed as you enter for worship and will be collected after the offering. Use one card for each family that is gathered. **Please list the name of each person in worship.** (Parents, please take responsibility for signing in your children) There is a "Member" side as well as a "Guest" side. Please fill out the appropriate side and pass them to the center aisle during the gathering of the offerings. The cards are gathered after the offering has been collected.

**To Our Visitors..**Our church and school have a few nooks and crannies, so don't be afraid to ask an usher where things are. Our pastor and any member here today would also be glad to meet and assist you. A guest information packet is available in the main entryway.

## DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR

*(The music for the liturgy may be found on page 203 in the Hymnal)*

**Notes for Worship:** As you prepare to receive the Lord's Supper this day, we invite you to turn to the prayer section of the Hymnal (page 305). In addition to prayers for before and after worship, there are prayers for use before and after receiving the Lord's Supper (page 308 as well as on the inside front cover of the hymnal). May these prayers be useful in your worship.

### **Before worship prayer**

*Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. AMEN.*

### **We're So Glad God Brought You Here Today!**

**Opening Hymn: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**      *LSB, hymn #770*

What a friend we have in Jesus,    All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry    Ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit;    Oh, what needless pain we bear—  
All because we do not carry    Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?    Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged -    Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful    Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness -    Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,    Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge -    Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?    Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;    Thou wilt find a solace there.

### **INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**      *Matthew 28:19b*

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**      *Psalm 124:8*

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Let us humble ourselves before our Good and gracious God.

*(Moment of silent reflection)*

P: Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.      *Luke 18:13*

C: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Let us pray . . . Almighty God,

C: **merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**      *John 20:19-23*

**KYRIE ~ Lord Have Mercy (Sung)**

*Mark 10:47*

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

**Gloria in Excelsis ~ Glory To God In The Highest (Sung)** *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

To God on high be glory    And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven    Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;    Your holy name we sing  
Our thanks for Your great glory,    Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,    The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,    You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;    Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated    At God's right hand on high

For You alone are holy,    You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,    Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit    Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.    "Amen!" our glad reply.

P: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . . O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

*(Please be Seated)*

**5:00pm - Special Music: "Fairest Jesus, Precious Savior"** *Sanctuary Singers*

**THE READING OF THE WORD**

**Epistle Lesson:** Hebrews 4:1-16 *(God's Word Living and Active)*

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all

his works." And again in this passage he said, "They shall not enter my rest." Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, again he appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts." For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account. (Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.)

Stand

**Alleluia and Verse** *John 20:31*

**C: (Sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

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

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 10:23-31 *(With Man It Is Impossible, Not God!)*

Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With

man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God." Peter began to say to him, "See, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*(Please be Seated)*

**Sermon Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

*LSB, hymn #850*

God of grace and God of glory, On Your people pour Your pow'r;  
Crown Your ancient Church's story; Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.

Cure Your children's warring madness; Bend our pride to Your control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of Your salvation Be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving You whom we adore,  
Serving You whom we adore.

**Sermon: "With God All Things are Possible"**

*Mark 10:23-31*

Stand

P: Let us confess our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. . . . Lord God of hope, You looked upon Your captive people with mercy and made what was impossible for us, possible through Jesus Christ. Grant us a grateful heart that we may rejoice in what He has accomplished for us, trust in His salvation with all our heart, and live the new life imparted to us in our Baptism. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God of hope, keep us from being the center of everything and help us to focus on Christ alone. Give us wisdom to use the things of this life in ways that honor You and work for the extension of Your kingdom and build within us the desire for the heavenly treasure of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God of hope, make Your Church a beacon of hope to the world by the proclamation of the Gospel. Bless those to whom the ministry of Your Word is committed, that pastors will faithfully fulfill their calling. Bless church workers, those preparing for full-time church work, our lay leaders, and each of us, Your

people, as we serve You in willing obedience all the days of our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God of hope, to whom we look for peace, raise up leaders among the nations and in our own land who will serve the causes of peace and justice. Bless those who make, administer, and judge our laws and the members of our armed forces who protect us throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God of hope, to whom we turn when sickness, suffering, and death come near, be with those who cry to You in great need; grant healing, comfort, and peace. O Lord, we pray that You be with those hospitalized this past week (*Especially, . . .*). Also be with those who continue treatment and healing at home. We pray for them and all those that we name in our hearts . . . (*Silence*). You have taught us to trust in Your gracious will, so into Your hands we rest the hopes and desires of all Your people in need, that You may answer them in mercy and visit them with the healing power of Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God of hope, we remember before You the saints of old and all those who loved You and now rest from their labors. Bring us with them to that day when we shall be one forevermore and lead us into the heavenly rest You have prepared for all those who love You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

*(Additional prayers of the congregation. Each petition concludes with. . .)*

P: . . . Lord, In Your Mercy,

**C: Hear Our Prayer.**

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

**C: Amen**

*(Please be Seated)*

### **Tithes and Offerings/Attendance Cards**

#### **OFFERTORY - Let The Vineyards**

*LSB, Hymn # 955*

**C: (Sung) 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 the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

*(In preparation to receive the Sacrament, please read the Communion notes on page 2)*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

P: Lift up your hearts.

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

*Colossians 3:1*

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

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

*Psalms 136*

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

#### **SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy (Sung)**

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;**

**Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.**

**Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;**

**Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

P: Let us pray the prayer our Lord taught us to pray as we come to the feast of His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins:

**C: 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*

### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

P: 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 is my + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

*Mt 26:26-28, Mk 14:22-24, Lk 22:19-20, 1 Cor. 11:23-25*

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

**C: And also with you.**

*(Please be Seated)*

### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

#### **LSB848 - Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service**

Lord, whose love through humble service Bore the weight of human need,  
Who upon the cross, forsaken, Offered mercy's perfect deed,  
We, Your servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but heart,  
Consecrating to Your purpose Ev'ry gift that You impart.

Still Your children wander homeless; Still the hungry cry for bread;  
Still the captives long for freedom; Still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As, O Lord, Your deep compassion Healed the sick and freed the soul,  
Use the love Your Spirit kindles Still to save and make us whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, Till Your love's revealing light  
In its height and depth and greatness, Dawns upon our quickened sight,  
Making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear,  
Stirring us to tireless striving, Your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to Your service, Forth in Your dear name we go,  
To the child, the youth, the aged, Love in living deeds to show;  
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, Counsel, aid, and peace we give,  
That Your servants, Lord, in freedom May Your mercy know and live.

#### **LSB744 - Amazing Grace**

Amazing grace - how sweet the sound - That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail In heaven's joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

#### **LSB677 - For All the Saints**

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!



Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. . . . 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.

C: **Amen**

### **BLESSING**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 103:1*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C: **Amen.**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**Closing Hymn: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"**

*LSB, hymn #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 blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits 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 fatherless 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.

**See You In Worship Next Week!**

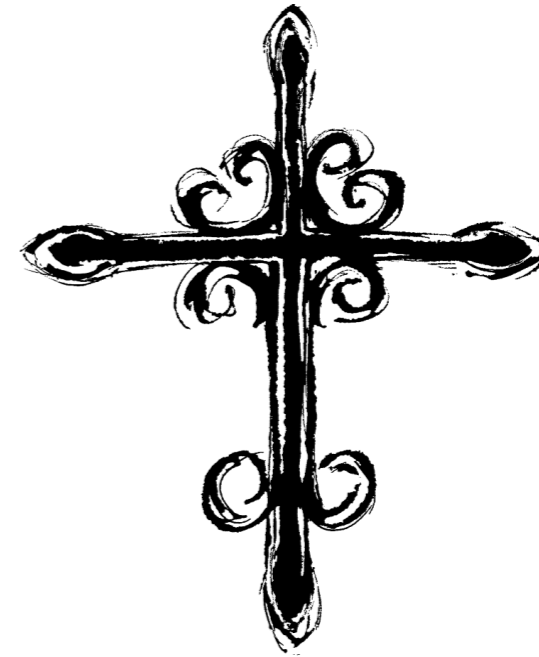
**After worship prayer**

*Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.*

*There will be Prayer Ministry Member(s) in each service that will be wearing a prayer ministry tag around their neck. Please look for them if you are wanting prayer for yourself, someone else or prayer for a concern or situation you may have.*

*Please join us for coffee and donut holes in the cafeteria after Sunday services.*

**Altar Flowers** Altar flowers this weekend are given in loving memory of Cathy, by husband Rob Wood; also in loving memory of parents, Evan & Eileen Gradberg, Tom & Eloise Lindsay, brother, Tom Gradberg and granddaughter, Alexandra Faith Gradberg and my husband, Mark, on our 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary, October 20<sup>th</sup>, by Kathy Gradberg; also in loving memory of my husband, Allen Gehm, who passed away on Oct. 19, 2016, by Joan Gehm & family.



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