

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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OPENING HYMN “REJOICE, REJOICE, BELIEVERS” 515

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✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

INTROIT PSALM 115:2-4, 8, 17-18; ANTIPHON: V. 11

You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord!

He is their help and their shield.

Why should the nations say,

“Where is their God?”

Our God is in the heavens;

he does all that he pleases.

Their idols are silver and gold,

the work of human hands.

Those who make them become like them;

so do all who trust in them.

The dead do not praise the Lord,

nor do any who go down into silence.

But we will bless the Lord

from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS P. 187-189

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

EXODUS 3:1-15

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. ⁷Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain." ¹³Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I am has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵God

also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

REVELATION 7:14B; PSALM 84:5

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

EPISTLE

2 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8, 13-17

¹Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . . ¹³But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 20:27-40

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁷There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰And the second ³¹and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³²Afterward the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife." ³⁴And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "FROM GOD CAN NOTHING MOVE ME" vs. 4-7 713

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Lord, in your Mercy,

C Hear our Prayer.

In Our Prayers:

+ Barb Parpart (90th Birthday)	
+ Maya Radtke	+ Dan Gueningsman
+ Jeremy Radtke	+ Chad Feltmann
+ Darian Litzau	+ Angela Litzau
+ Karen Strei	+ Tracy Albers

OFFERING**OFFERTORY****p. 192-193****✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠ p. 194-199**

The Sacrament is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His true body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation, to repentant, reconciled believers in Christ. Our Lord Jesus 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 (Matt. 26:26-28; 1Cor. 11:23-29; Matt.6:15).

We practice closed communion. Why? (1 Cor. 10:16-17). Because our Lord says those who eat and drink His body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm. If not yet instructed, in doubt, or holding a confession differing from that of the LCMS, you are lovingly asked not to commune at this time. Pastor is happy to make an appointment to discuss adult catechesis or questions you have regarding the Sacrament of the Altar.

Examination Questions: Please prepare by asking yourself — Am I sorry for my sins? Do I believe in Jesus Christ as my Savior from sin? Do I believe that I am receiving the body and blood of Christ along with the bread and wine? Will I try, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live a more God-pleasing life?

Prayers for “Before communing” and “Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament” are printed on the front cover of the hymnal.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Attendance Last Week

Sunday: 195

Sun School/Youth: 37

Bible Study: 31

Scripture Reader:

Jen Thiry

Organist:

Lynn Mueller

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. FLOWERS- Flowers on the altar are from the Mohwinkel family in celebration of Barb Parpart’s 90th Birthday.

2. SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING- A special voters meeting will be held on Sunday, November 16th between services. All communicant members of legal voting age are encouraged to attend as we discuss potentially calling a church worker and forming a call committee.

3. CHURCH DIRECTORY ONLINE SCHEDULING: A photo date of Tuesday, November 11th is still available for you to schedule an appointment to be included in the new church directory.

4. POINSETTIAS- If you would like to order a poinsettia for the Christmas Season, forms are available on the desk in the Upper Narthex. Forms will also be available in the November Lamplighter. Order forms are due November 12th.

5. YOUTH PAINT NIGHT- Youth grades 5-12 are invited to come to a guided paint night on Sunday, November 16th at 6:30! Art teacher Ashley Clemensen will lead us in a 1-hour painting session of a Christmas scene. Please note that the skill and speed level will be aimed at 7th grade and above, so if your 5th or 6th grader would like to come, please plan on joining them! Parents and friends of any age student are welcome to join too. Email Ellie or sign up on the youth bulletin board if you would like to attend!

6. FUNDRAISER-The ACT youth mission group will be selling 2026 calendars in November as a fundraiser for their 2026 mission trip. Watch for a table in the lobby!

7. DECORATING the church for Christmas will take place Saturday, Nov. 29, at 8 a.m. **ALL** congregational members are invited to help. Thank you!

8. THANK YOU to all the people who helped with Trunk or Treat! Over 150 kids plus adults came through our Christian-Themed parking lot! Our members clocked a total of 62 volunteer hours for the event! Check out the picture board in the upper narthex!

9. MITE CALENDAR- November Mite Calendar - If the October Mite calendar was helpful, the November calendar is available for pick up on the LWML table. There are still a few mite boxes available if you didn't get one on LWML Sunday. Also, thank you for Mites that were already given for missions. Please empty your mite box into the large mite box and take the box home to continue filling it. Or, put coins into a bag and drop it in the box.

10. LWML-To LWML members - Since you may not be able to come to meetings, bring your Mites, offerings or birthday offering anytime you get to church and drop it in the Mite Box. Be sure and mark what the donation is for. Also, pick up Quarterlies and WOM's from the LWML table as they become available. Thank you.

11. SCHEDULE- November 16: Ushers: 1st Service- Larry Hoof, Stewart Ruwersma, Jr., Derek Zebell; 2nd Service: Sheldon Ehrke, Brett Schmidt, Beau Schmidt; Acolytes: 1st Service- A. Lind, E. Novotny; 2nd Service: C. Bebo, B. Thompson; Greeters- 1st Service: Chip & Corbey Hentges; 2nd Service: Gary & Larisa Kosek; Scripture Reader: Darlene Schmidt; Flowers: Lajean Hoof; Worship Bags: Elaine Peterson

Calendar of Events

Sun. Nov 9	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	WORSHIP W/ CONT LINE COMM Sun. School/ACT/Bible Study WORSHIP W/ CONT LINE COMM
Mon. Nov 10	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Release Time Classes Elders Meeting Council Meeting
Tues. Nov 11	2:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Photo Directory Sessions begin Dartball at Hamburg
Wed. Nov 12	Noon 3:05 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Deadline for Bulletin 6 th Grade Release Time 7 th Grade Confirmation 8 th Grade Confirmation Poinsettia order deadline
Thurs. Nov 13		Release Time Classes
Sun. Nov 16	8:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m.	WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION Sun. School/ACT Special Voters Meeting WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION Youth Paint Night