



ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 14, 2018 AT 10:30 A.M.

21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INTRODUCTION

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.



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**Please stand if able*

P: Pastor; A: Assisting Minister; C: Congregation

(ELW—Red Book)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Sandra Tallant

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vicar Frank Waugh

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

ELW p. 116-118

***SHARING THE PEACE** P: The peace of the Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

"Gather Us In"

ELW #532

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

"This is the feast of victory for our God ..."

ELW p. 122-123

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Vicar Frank Waugh

YOUTH GATHERING IN HOUSTON PRESENTATION

Kelly & Kerri Nash

LESSONS

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16

Zach Gardner

***HOLY GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

"Alleluia, Alleluia ..."

ELW p. 124

***GOSPEL READING**

P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. Mark. **C: Glory to you, O Lord**

Mark 10:17-31

P: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Vicar Frank Waugh

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

ELW #705

***APOSTLES' CREED**

ELW p. 127

***INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

A: Lord in your mercy. **C: Hear our prayer.**

Zach Gardner

MEAL

THE OFFERING / OFFERTORY

Sandra Tallant

***OFFERING PRESENTATION/RESPONSE** "Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful"

ELW #182

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.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Zach Gardner

A: God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and make them an embodiment of your love for the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

***THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER V**

ELW p. 65-66

***THE LORD’S PRAYER**

P: Lord, teach us to pray . . .

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion Invitation: We welcome all who are baptized to the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is served by Intinction. You will be given a wafer, which you then dip into the chalice of wine. If unable to come forward, stand where you are, and you will be served there. Children who are baptized are welcome to commune.

AGNUS DEI (LAMB OF GOD)

ELW p. 135

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

ELW #494

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

After all have returned to their places, the congregation stands and the presiding minister says these words:

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **C: Amen.**

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Zach Gardner

A: Holy and compassionate God, in bread and wine you give us gifts that form us to be humble and courageous. May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness, that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer. **C: Amen.**

SENDING

***BLESSING** P: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **C: Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN**

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

ELW #669

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve. **C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Sandra Tallant

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FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD and in memory of Jimmy Maran Sigmon who would have been 89 years of age on October 15, by his widow Carolyn, and children Melissa, Maran and Eric.

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LITURGY -THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

Presiding Pastor: Vicar Frank Waugh

Assisting Minister: Zach Gardner

Organist: Sandra Tallant

Communion Assistants: Ginger Carpenter, Jason Gardner

Deacons: Marcheta Campbell, Barry Bumgarner

Altar Guild: Tamarah Hefner, Marlene Epps

Tabulators: Hilka Cox, Sue Karen Falls, Celia Hollar, Nick Setzer

Tech: Carol Schaefer, Camille Patrick, Tamarah Hefner, Randy Sherrill, Terry Hefner, Tim Sigmon, Barry Bumgarner

AMOS 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore, the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so, the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

PSALM 90:12-17

So, teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants! Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil. Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the LORD our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands — O prosper the work of our hands!

HEBREWS 4:12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

MARK 10:17-31

As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”