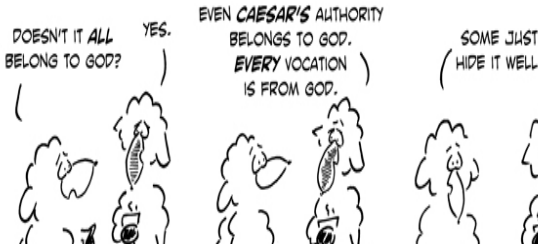


# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost - Worship Video

Living Word Lutheran Church of Alexandria, MN.  
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Musicians: Nancy Anderson, Piano

## Invocation

### Confession, Ten Commandments and Absolution:

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our Help is in the name of the Lord.

**C** Who made heaven and earth.

**P** I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**C** And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

### The Ten Commandments

**P** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thoughts, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us remission of all our sins. By Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your word, so that by your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God, and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. All who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto us all. Amen

## Hymn

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Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God;  
See the streams of liv - ing wa - ters Spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,  
Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - 'ring, See the cloud and fire ap - pear  
Sav - ior, if of Zi - on's cit - y I, through grace, a mem - ber am,  
He, whose word can be bro - ken, Formed thee for his own a - bode.  
Well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters, And all fear of want re - move.  
For a glo - ry and a cov - 'ring, Show - ing that the Lord is — near;  
Let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in thy Name.  
On the Rock of A - ges found - ed, What can shake thy sure re - pose?  
Who can faint while such a riv - er Ev - er flows their thirst to assuage.  
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner Light by night and shade by day.  
Fad - ing is — the world - lings, pleas - ure, All his boast - ed pomp and show;  
With sal - va — tion's walls sur - round - ed, Thou may'st smile at — all thy foes.  
Grace which like the Lord, the giv - er, Nev - er — fails from age to — age?  
Safe they feed up - on the man - na Which he — gives them when they pray.  
Sol - id joys and last - ing treas - ure None but Zi - on's chil - dren know.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, Tune: Franz Joseph Haydn, 1732-1809, Sola Online Worship eResource

### Scripture Reading: Isaiah 45: 1-7

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.

## Psalm 96

**P**<sup>1</sup> O sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

**C**<sup>2</sup> Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.

**P**<sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples.

**C**<sup>4</sup> For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
he is to be revered above all gods.

**P**<sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the peoples are idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.

**C**<sup>6</sup> Honor and majesty are before him;  
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

**P**<sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**C**<sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts.

**P**<sup>9</sup> Worship the LORD in holy splendor;  
tremble before him, all the earth.

**C**<sup>10</sup> Say among the nations, “The LORD is king!  
The world is firmly established; it shall never be  
moved.  
He will judge the peoples with equity.”

**P**<sup>11</sup> Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth  
rejoice;  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

**C**<sup>12</sup> let the field exult, and everything in it.  
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy

**ALL**<sup>13</sup> before the LORD; for he is coming,  
for he is coming to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with his truth.

## Scripture Reading: I Thessalonians 1

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.

## Prayers for the Whole People of God:

**P** Lord, in your mercy,  
**C** Hear our Prayer.

### Prayer Concerns October 18, 2020

#### For our active duty military & law enforcement personnel –

Jeremy Aamold, Michael Aamold, Devin Polson, Samuel Savoie; Cody Jane Wymore, Andrew Stoen, & Cory Forbrook, Brian Denke

**Karen Zacho** – healing following double lung transplant (Nancy Anderson's sister)

**Jessica Weedman** – inoperable cancer. (friend of Denke family)

**Jayne Schmidt** - healing of severe bone condition and pain (Friend of Paul & Paulette Johnson)

**David Anhalt**- tumor removal (friend of Dave Kaiser)

**Heather Bitzen**-healing from brain surgery, and support for her family (friend of Denke family)

**Jessica**- healing of severe Chron's disease

**Cathy Sholtz**-recovery from stroke (friend of Shelly Nelson)

**Donna Feigum**-prayers for healing (friend of Carol & Vicky)

**Paulette Johnson**- healing of medical issues.

**Marlys Weispfennig**-strength and healing (mother of Ed Weispfennig)

**Tony**- cancer treatment (in-law of Pastor A.J.)

**Wilma Johnson** – continued recovery partial hip replacement

**Lyn Kreps** – Healing of Ovarian Cancer (Sandy Aamold's sister-in-law)

**Rick Klukken** – 2<sup>nd</sup> brain tumor-Director of Gordon Men's Choir

**Mitch Klammer** – Prayers for healing and strength after bad fall (great nephew of Ron & Jeanette Stoen)

**Hannah** – struggles with addiction (granddaughter of Wayne & Karen Becker)

**Carol Fingerson** – strength and comfort for her daughter's passing

**Vicki Sagen family** – comfort due to Vicki's passing

**Rob Stenman** – starting dialysis, in need of a kidney (Family member of Pat Denke)

**Bob Shaffer** – dementia

**Gina Shaffer** – diagnosis of cancer

**Linda W.** – Meningitis ( Friend of Pastor Nate )

**Alicia B.** – recovery ( Friend of Pastor Nate )

**Annette** – health concerns and strength during social distancing (Terry Berger's daughter)

**Teri Peterson** – Chemo for non-hodgkins lymphoma (Elder and Deloris Petersons daughter-in-law)

**Pastor Dave Steffenson** – healing and successful treatment from pancreatic cancer (Maren Burgau

**Dan A.** – fight against brain cancer (friend of Pastor Nate)

**Dorothy Stenman** – healing from broken hip (friend of Pat Denke)

**Phyllis Jones** – Awaiting diagnosis (sister of Pat Denke)

**Nettie Englund** – healing of complications from recent surgery

**Charlotte Johnson** – for recent diagnosis and as new living arrangements are made. Robin's Mom (Pat Denke)

**Al Schug** – healing from Covid 19/pneumonia (friend of John & Karen Kirckof)

**Glenna** – comfort and healing for her husband (Rick) passing away from Covid 19 (friend of John & Karen Kirckof)

**Bruce Mitchell** – healing and recover from recent fall (friend of Elder & Deloris Peterson)

**Ron Stoen** – successful surgery, quick healing and recovery following arm/nerve surgery

**Jeanette Stoen** – successful surgery, quick healing and recovery for upcoming eye surgery

**Richard Rogers** – successful and quick healing following hip surgery following a fall (Paul Johnson's brother in law)

**Bernie Branum** – diagnosis of cancer (Rudy Denke's cousin)

*Do you have a prayer concern? Please call the office, go to our website or drop it in our Prayer Jar.*

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 15-22**

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him 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.

**Sermon: “Whose Likeness?”**

**Hymn: Built on the Rock the Church Does Stand - *This hymn is public domain.***

1. Built on a rock the church doth stand. Even when  
steeples are falling; crumbled have spires in every land,  
Bells still are chiming and calling; Calling the young  
and old to rest, Calling the souls of men distressed,  
Longing for life everlasting.
2. Not in our temples made with hands God, the almighty,  
is dwelling; High in the heavens his temple stands, All  
earthly temples excelling; Yet he who dwells in heaven  
above Designs to abide with us in love, Making our  
bodies his temple.
3. We are God’s house of living stones, Built for his own  
habitation; He fills our hearts, his humble thrones,  
Granting us life and salvation; Were two or three to  
seek his face, He in their midst would show his grace,  
Blessings upon them bestowing.
4. Yet in this house, an earthly frame, Jesus the children  
is blessing; Hither we come to praise his Name, Faith in  
our Saviour confessing; Jesus to us his Spirit sent,  
Making with us his covenant, Granting his children the  
kingdom.
5. Through all the passing years, O Lord, Grant that ,  
when church bells are ringing, Many may come to hear  
God’s word Where he this promise is bringing; I know  
mine own, mine own know me, Ye, not the world, my  
face shall see; My peace I leave with you, amen.

## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, The Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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.

## **Blessing**

## **Benediction**

**P** Go in peace to serve the Risen Living Word, Jesus Christ!

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

## **Postlude**

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