

Our Savior Lutheran Church

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020 - 10:45 A.M.

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Hallelujah for the Cross"

by King & Wright
arr. Galbraith & Iula

Up to the hill of Calvary my Savior went courageously
and there He bled and died for me. Hallelujah for the cross.
And on that day the world was changed, a final, perfect Lamb was slain.
Let earth and heaven now proclaim: Hallelujah for the cross.
*(chorus) Hallelujah for the war He fought. Love has won, death has lost.
Hallelujah, for the souls He bought. Hallelujah for the cross.*
What I have done could never save; my debt too great for deeds to pay.
But, God my Savior made a way. Hallelujah for the cross.
A slave to sin, my life was bound. But, all my chains fell to the ground
when Jesus' blood came flowing down. Hallelujah for the cross. *(chorus)*
And when I breathe my final breath I'll have no need to fear that rest.
This hope will guide me into death. Hallelujah for the cross. *(chorusx2)*
Hallelujah for the cross. Hallelujah for the cross.

WELCOME & THEME

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OPENING SONG

"Come to the Table"

by McDonald, Frey, & Glover
arr. Kerr & Galbraith

We all start on the outside, the outside looking in. This is where grace begins.
We were hungry, we were thirsty, with nothing left to give. Oh, the shape that we were in.
Just when all hope seemed lost, love opened the door for us.
*(chorus) He said come to the table, come join the sinners who have been redeemed.
Take your place beside the Savior, sit down and be set free. Come to the table.*
Come meet this motley crew of misfits, these liars and these thieves.
There's no one unwelcome here. So that sin and shame that you've brought with you,
you can leave it at the door and let mercy draw you near. *(chorus)*
To the thief and to the doubter, to the hero and the coward,
to the pris'ner and the soldier, to the young and to the older;
all who hunger, all who thirst, all the last and all the first,
all the paupers and the princes; all who've failed, you've been forgiven.
All who dream and all who suffer, all who've loved and lost another,
all the chained and all the free, all who follow, all who lead;
anyone who's been let down, all the lost, you have been found.
All who've been labeled right or wrong, to ev'ryone who hears this song, *(chorus)*
Oh, sit down and be set free.

INVOCATION, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b; [18-20]

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P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

We silently reflect on God's Word and our need for God's forgiveness.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you that all of your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 45:1-7

¹"This is what the LORD says to His anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I take hold of to subdue nations before him and to strip kings of their armor, to open doors before Him so that gates will not be shut: ²I will go before you and will level the mountains; I will break down gates of bronze and cut through bars of iron. ³I will give you the treasures of darkness, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the LORD, the God of Israel, who summons you by name. ⁴For the sake of Jacob My servant, of Israel My chosen, I summon you by name and bestow on you a title of honor, though you do not acknowledge Me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from Me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged Me, ⁶so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting men may know there is none besides Me. I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things.

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HOLY GOSPEL

John 18:33-38

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap Him in His words. ¹⁶They sent their disciples to Him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know You are a man of integrity and that You teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by men, because You pay no attention to who they are. ¹⁷Tell us then, what is Your opinion? Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?"

¹⁸But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap Me? ¹⁹Show Me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought Him a denarius, ²⁰and He asked them, "Whose portrait is this? And whose inscription?"

²¹"Caesar's," they replied.

Then He said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

²²When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left Him and went away.

APOSTLES' CREED

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.

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SERMON SONG

"Seek Ye First"

by Karen Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you! Allelu, alleluia!
Ask and it shall be given unto you. Seek and ye shall find.
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!
Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord. Allelu, alleluia!

SERMON

Render to God

RESPONSE SONG

"Make Me a Servant"

by Kelly Willard

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today. *(repeat from beginning)*

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PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

When the pastor says, "Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good,"

The congregation responds, "His steadfast love endures forever."

The prayer concludes,

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has taught us to pray,

All: 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.

PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

BENEDICTION

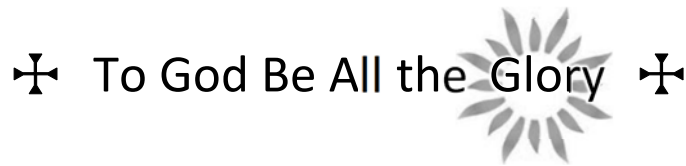
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

You are not alone if you are lonely. When you feel afraid you're not the only.
 We are all the same, in need of mercy; to be forgiven and be free.
 It's all you've got to lean on but thank God it's all you need.
(chorus) And all the people said Amen. And all the people said Amen.
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends. And all the people said Amen.
 If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter.
 Weak or strong, you know, love is what we're after.
 We're all broken but we're all in this together. God knows we stumble and fall
 and He so loved the world He sent His Son to save us all. *(chorus)*
 Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart.
 Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart.
 Blessed are the people hungry for another start.
 For this is the kingdom, the kingdom of God. *(chorusx2)*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- P** We enter to worship;
- C** We exit to witness.



Regarding Thank Offerings

To our Guests – *Your gifts to the LORD are deeply appreciated, but please do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

To our Members – *Our offerings and tithes are our acknowledgment that God has given us all that we have. We return to Him a portion that helps build His Kingdom on earth through the ministries of this congregation.*

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- Drop off or mail to the church office.

Those Serving This Morning

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