# TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**October 18, 2020** 



**ELW SETTING 6** 

# **LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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# We are glad you are with us today.

We are a family of faith living and growing together in Christ.

This bulletin is filled with information about the life of the church, you are invited to take it home for reference and further reflection during the week. Various updates and additional church information, along with the Pastor Tim's sermons, are posted each week on our website — www.holyspirit-elca.org. Welcome cards/envelopes are located in the pew rack. Please take a moment to fill out the information and return it to the offering plate.

Our sound system includes a T-system hearing loop, which allows worshipers with T-system compatible hearing aids to tune in directly to the worship leaders' microphones for clearer sound. There are two hearing unit headsets available in the narthex for use. Additionally, large print bulletins are available at the sanctuary door.

As we worship and celebrate communion this morning we remind you that this is the Lord's table. Jesus is the host. We are his guests. God welcomes everyone to come and eat and be nourished, fed and forgiven. Come and eat and live! Please come forward by the diagonal aisle and return to your seat by way of the center aisle. The bread is received in your hand, and you may drink the wine from the cup or dip the bread into the wine. Please indicate if you prefer to receive a glutenfree wafer. Those not receiving communion are welcome to receive a blessing.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

Please let us know if we can be of service to you in any way!

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# THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

All page and hymn numbers refer to the "red" ELW hymnal.

PRELUDE "Voluntary" GF Handel

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Faithful God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of +Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
- C Amen.

**GATHERING HYMN** "The God of Abraham Praise" (verses 1 & 4)

ELW #831

This hymn is printed on page 11 of this booklet.

# **GREETING**

P God of hosts most gracious, God the Son who saves us, God the Spirit placed upon us, be with you all.

C And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Be seated.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**Pastor Tim Linstrom** 

## FIRST READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, 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. A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] 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. P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Tim Linstrom

**HYMN OF THE DAY** "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (verse 1) ELW #841 This hymn is printed on pages 12 & 13 of this booklet.

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

A God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

A God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place. Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth. We pray for those serving far from home and their families, especially **Kimberly Koblas** (daughter of Wendy & Jim Koblas), **Alex Fink** (grandson of Carolyn Raymond). Lord, in your mercy.

# C hear our prayer.

A God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt. Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. We pray especially for James McDonough, Trudy Bettiker Sienna Dirks, Pam Labellarte, Eileen Hoffman, Lois Wass, Laurie Ohm, Marian McBride, Shirley Crandall, Bill Lynn, Allison Wittich, Shirley & Harvey Lease, Jerry

Swanson, Elaine Pucher, (sister of Ken Rosko), Joan Mahoney (friend of Nila Bilstad), Carmen & Macrina Hernandez (mother & sister of Maria Linstrom), Helen Schmidt (sister of Dorothy Stocks), Anna & Michael Labellarte (Joe's parents), Ken Simonson, Bill Denman, Michael Ungari, Juli Pykelny (relatives & friends of the Labellartes), Dana Imlah (daughter of Mary Lou Gilliam), Robert Grau (friend of Jackie Murphy), Judy Duprey (Dupreys' sister-in-law), Steve Ernst (brother of Chris Miller), Coco & Lukas (grandchildren of Joanne Schwarcz), Abby Furco (friend of many). Lord, in your mercy,

# C hear our prayer.

- A God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you **David Larson** (cousin of Louise Menter). Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always
- C and also with you.

All the people greet one another through the sharing of the peace.

THE OFFERING is received.

Stand as the offering is brought forward.

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- A Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places

give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave

and by his glorious resurrection

opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest,

hosanna in the highest.

P Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,

you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah,

promising them life,

and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners

and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:

strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,

and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,

almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,

in your holy Church, both now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray together as our Lord taught us.

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.

# **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

A We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** "You Servants of God" (verses 1 & 4)

This hymn is printed on page 14 of this booklet.

ELW #825

# **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** "Prelude and Fugue in A minor" JK Fischer

**THANK YOU** to the following people for helping in worship:

Cantor: Don Bally

Assisting Minister: Wayne Giampietro

# JOIN OUR FELLOWSHIP OF FAITH

If you are interested in becoming a member of Holy Spirit, please see Pastor Tim. Membership comes through baptism or affirmation of faith.

# **ITEMS FOR COOL FOOD PANTRY:** breakfast items

# **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

All submissions, including prayer requests, must be sent to the church office by noon Wednesdays. Typically, we freshen prayer concerns the first Sunday of each month so the list stays current. Please remember to email lutheranholyspirit@gmail.com when prayer concerns change or to update a request.

## **OUTDOOR WORSHIP - 9:30 AM**

Worship will take place in the parking lot on the south side of our church building, weather permitting. Reservations will be required, we will perform temperature screenings, and participants will be required to wear facemasks and maintain physical distancing. We will be needing more volunteers than normal to help with these services: to set up and take down chairs, take temperatures, and help with physical distancing. If you plan to attend please watch for opportunities to volunteer. We will still provide a recorded service for those who cannot attend. We look forward to celebrating worship with our gathered community!

# TRUNK OR TREAT—October 27, 6-7 PM

Join us for some safe Halloween fun! Families are welcome to join us in our Parking Lot from 6:00-7:00 for our annual Trunk or Treat Event! Masks for all participants are required and social distancing will be encouraged. Spooky dance instruction provided by Momentum Performing Arts Studio!

Anyone wishing to participate in the car decorating please email Jennifer and plan to meet in the parking lot at 5:30. Bring treats for 50 visitors. We need 10-15 cars to make it a success! Ms. Jennifer, Children's Ministry Director Jennifer.williamslchschildren@gmail.com

# THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

Vernon Township Food Pantry continues to assist our neighbors in need with food and other items. We are collecting donations of food items and grocery store gift cards to provide Thanksgiving dinners to families in need. Please follow the link to sign up to donate, or contact Donna Williams (847-331-7651 text/phone or rdrjwilliams@att.net) with any questions. Thank you!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B49AEAB2EA1FE3-vernon

# PRAYER GROUP – Thursdays at 9:30 AM

Our prayer group is continuing to meet at 9:30 a.m. every Thursday morning, using Zoom. If you'd like to pray with us, please contact Jeanne Nelson at jnelson814@comcast.net and she will send you the link to be invited in.

# THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

We are studying Ibram Kendi's book, "How To Be An Antiracist". If you'd like to participate please contact Jan Schwanke at bennett95@comcast.net and she will send you the link to be invited to the Zoom meeting. Join us at 10:30 AM as we delve into how our faith informs us to deal with the challenges of today.

# **CHURCH OFFICE OPEN TUESDAY AND THURSDAY**

We have resumed our normal hours of 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please wear a mask when you enter the building and use the main entrance into the Narthex on the East Side of the building. Calls and emails to the church will continue to be responded to throughout the week. For emergencies or pastoral issues contact Pastor Tim directly at (812) 319-5225 or tclinstrom@gmail.com.

# The God of Abraham Praise



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# Lift Every Voice and Sing





Text: James W. Johnson, 1871–1938 Music: LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING, J. Rosamond Johnson, 1873–1954

# You Servants of God



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: LYONS, attr. Johann Michael Haydn, 1737–1806

## HOLY SPIRIT HAPPENINGS

Sunday, Oct 18 9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion\*

Tuesday, Oct 20 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

3:30 p.m. Slice of LYFE

4:00 p.m. LYFE

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

**Thursday, Oct 22** 9:30 a.m. Prayer Group

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Sunday, Oct 25 9:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion\*

Pastor:
Office Manager:
Music Ministers:
Mike Duffy, Bill Vaananen, Patrick Cantagallo,
Nancy Fencl and Darlene Neumann
Organist:
Kathy Roderer

Children's Ministry Director

Nursery Attendant:

Kathy Roderer

Jennifer Williams

Carmaline Spurrier

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<sup>\*</sup>Weather permitting. An email will be sent if the service is cancelled.