

20TH Sunday after Pentecost

October 15 & 18, 2020



Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

(Wisconsin Synod)

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Church: 262-377-6363 School: 262-377-7780

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Thursday, October 15, 2020 +++ 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 18, 2020 +++ 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WORSHIP NOTES God's patient grace is put on display in another Old Testament Bible Story today in our worship – King Manasseh humbled himself and pleaded with God for mercy. And God, as he repeatedly does, responded with compassion. We need to keep this in consideration as we view our world and think poorly of politicians or even our neighbor. God is the judge, not us. He will call them (and us) to account one day. Let's observe how he does that with genuine concern for their good even when they've (we've) been guilty of idolatry.

PRAYER OF THE DAY Lord Jesus, you have redeemed us and called us to follow you. Send your Holy Spirit to confirm our faith, to strengthen our will, and to guide us in the paths of righteousness. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GUESTS Welcome to our visitors! Please fill out and return a Friendship Card in the entry.



OPENING HYMN "My Soul, Now Bless Your Maker" (p.7) CW, # 257:1-2

CALL TO WORSHIP WITH CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: Amen.

P: When we were baptized, we died and were buried with Christ.

C: We were baptized so that we might have a new life, as Christ was raised to life by the glory of God the Father.

P: Therefore, let us confess our sins to God, so that, freed from sin, we might walk in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Almighty and all-merciful God,

C: We have sinned. We have offended your majesty and questioned your rule; we have allowed darkness to exist where you once said, "Let there be light." We deserve the doom your justice decreed for sin.

P: But Christ is risen.

C: Risen indeed!

P: Since we have been united with him in a death like his,

C: we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. (*Romans 6:5*) For his sake, our Father, we implore you: forgive our sins, and grant us his gift of life to the full.

P: “It is written, that the Messiah had to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in his name.” (*Luke 24:46-47*) That Word is now proclaimed to you. It is that Word that assures you of forgiveness. It is that Word that takes away guilt and shame. It is that Word that defines you as God’s dearly loved child.

C: We believe God’s Word. We trust in Jesus, our Savior! Alleluia!

P: “You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather serve one another in love. . . Live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.” (*Galatians 5:13-16*)

C: “Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. . . Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit to sustain me.” (*Psalms 51:10-12*)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, you have redeemed us and called us to follow you. Send your Holy Spirit to confirm our faith, to strengthen our will, and to guide us in the paths of righteousness. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAISE RESPONSE “My Soul, Now Bless Your Maker” (p.7)

CW, # 257:3

FIRST LESSON 2 Chronicles 33:1-13

Manasseh was twelve years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem fifty-five years. He did evil in the eyes of the LORD, following the detestable practices of the nations the LORD had driven out before the Israelites. He rebuilt the high places his father Hezekiah had demolished; he also erected altars to the Baals and made Asherah poles. He bowed down to all the starry hosts and worshiped them. He built altars in the temple of the LORD, of which the LORD had said, “My Name will remain in Jerusalem forever.” In both courts of the temple of the LORD, he built altars to all the starry hosts. He sacrificed his children in the fire in the Valley of Ben Hinnom, practiced divination and witchcraft, sought omens, and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did much evil in the eyes of the LORD, arousing his anger. He took the image he had made and put it in God’s temple, of which God had said to David and to his son Solomon, “In this temple and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put my Name forever. I will not again make the feet of the Israelites leave the land I assigned to your ancestors, if only they will be careful to do everything I commanded them concerning all the laws, decrees and regulations given

through Moses.” But Manasseh led Judah and the people of Jerusalem astray, so that they did more evil than the nations the LORD had destroyed before the Israelites. The LORD spoke to Manasseh and his people, but they paid no attention. So the LORD brought against them the army commanders of the king of Assyria, who took Manasseh prisoner, put a hook in his nose, bound him with bronze shackles and took him to Babylon. In his distress he sought the favor of the LORD his God and humbled himself greatly before the God of his ancestors. And when he prayed to him, the LORD was moved by his entreaty and listened to his plea; so he brought him back to Jerusalem and to his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD is God.

RESPONSE “May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” (p.9) CW, #467, vs 1-2

SECOND LESSON **Philippians 3:12-21**

St. Paul encourages us to make our faith the main thing in our life, to live out our faith in the midst of a godless world, and to look forward to the glorified life with our Lord that he has earned for us.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. All of us, then, who are mature should take such a view of things. And if on some point you think differently, that too God will make clear to you. Only let us live up to what we have already attained. Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

RESPONSE “May the Mind of Christ, My Savior” (p.9) CW, #467, vs 3-4

GOSPEL **Matthew 21:33-43**

With a parable obviously derived from that in Isaiah, Jesus foretells his own death and the rejection by God that those who rejected him would experience as a result.

“Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. “The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. ‘They

will respect my son,' he said. ³⁸ "But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance.' So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end," they replied, "and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: "'The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes'? "Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.

THE APOSTLES CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY "Today Your Mercy Calls Us" (p.10) CW, #339

SERMON The Lord's Compassion Knows No Bounds 2 Chron. 33:1-13
1. For the wicked (King Manasseh)
2. For the restored

OFFERING

We ask our guests to fill out a guest card and place it in the offering basket.

RESPONSE HYMN "Renew Me, O Eternal Light" (p.11) CW, #471

PRAYER

P: Let us praise our God for his goodness and grace.

C: "Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him and I am helped." (*Psalms 28:6-7*)

P: Let us pray for the power and leading of the Holy Spirit.

C: Guide us by your truth, O Lord. Strengthen our faith with your Word. Lead us in the paths of righteousness.

P: Let us pray for the mission of Christ's Church.

C: Empower your people, O Lord, here and around the world, that they may tell the story of your grace in Jesus.

P: Let us pray for those in need of comfort and healing, especially our friends.

C: Lord, stand beside all who are in pain or are grieving and surround them with your love. According to your will, restore them to health.

P: Let us pray for those who protect us from harm.

C: Heavenly Father, watch over our nation's soldiers and police, fire fighters and all who pursue justice.

P: Let us thank God for his many blessings.

**C: "O, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, and his mercy endures forever."
(Psalm 136:1)**

P: (Special prayers and intercessions)

ALL: 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. Lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

LORD'S SUPPER (Personal Preparation on page 6)

DISTRIBUTION SONG Instrumental

THE BLESSING

"May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (*Hebrews 13:20-21*)

CLOSING SONG "Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name" (p.12) CW #321

SILENT PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Q: What does God tell me about myself in his holy Word?

A: *He says that I am a sinner and deserve only his punishment.*

Q: What should I do if I am not aware of my sins or am not troubled by them?

A: *I should examine myself according to the Ten Commandments and ask how well I have carried out my responsibilities as a husband or wife or single person, as a parent or child, an employer or employee, a teacher or student. Have I loved God with all my heart, gladly heard his Word, and patiently endured affliction? Have I been disobedient, proud, or unforgiving? Have I been selfish, lazy, envious, or quarrelsome? Have I lied or deceived, taken something not mine, or given anyone a bad name? Have I abused my body or permitted indecent thoughts to linger in my mind? Have I failed to do what is right and good?*

Q: When I realize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment, what should I do?

A: *I will confess before God all my sins, those which I remember as well as those of which I am unaware. I will pray to God for his mercy and forgiveness.*

Q: How do I receive his gracious forgiveness?

A: *His Word assures me that Jesus led a pure and holy life for me and died on the cross for me to pay the full price for all my sins. Through faith in Jesus, I have been clothed in my Savior's perfect righteousness and holiness.*

Q: What further assurance do I have that Jesus is mine and I am his?

A: *In Holy Communion he gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine as a truly life-giving food and drink to unite me with him and my fellow believers. By means of this sacrament, Jesus not only forgives my sins but sweeps away all my doubts about his love for me, gives me his own strength to live a God-pleasing life, and grants me a joyful foretaste of heaven.*

Q: How can I be sure that I receive all these blessings in the Lord's Supper?

A: *I have his own word spoken as his last will and testament on the night before he died. There he tells me: "Take and eat; this is my body. Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."*

Q: How will I respond to this priceless gift from Jesus?

A: *I will daily thank and praise him for his love to me. With his help I will fight temptation, do my best to correct whatever wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works.*

Lord Jesus, with joy and gratitude I now come to your table to receive the precious food of your life-giving body and blood. May it strengthen me to remain in you as you remain in me, so that I bear much fruit in devoted service to you and in acts of kindness to others. Amen.

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My Soul, Now Bless Your Maker

1 My soul, now bless your Mak - er! Let all with - in me
 2 For as a ten - der fa - ther Has pit - y on his
 3 God's grace stands fast, en - dur - ing, And chil - dren's chil - dren

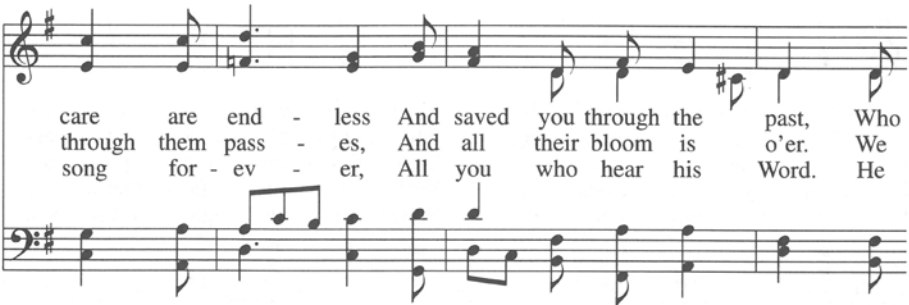
bless his name Who makes me a par - tak - er Of
 chil - dren here, He in his arms will gath - er All
 yet shall prove His strength a - bides, as - sur - ing The

mer - cies more than I dare claim. For - get him not whose
 who are his in child - like fear. He knows how frail our
 hearts of all who seek his love. In heav'n is fixed his

meek - ness Still bears with all your sin, Who heals your
 pow - ers Who but from dust are made. We flour - ish
 dwell - ing; His rule is o - ver all. An - gels, in



ev - 'ry weak - ness, Re - news your life with - in, Whose grace and
like the flow - ers, And ev - en so we fade. The wind but
might ex - cel - ling, Bright hosts, be - fore him fall. Praise him in



care are end - less And saved you through the past, Who
through them pass - es, And all their bloom is o'er. We
song for - ev - er, All you who hear his Word. He



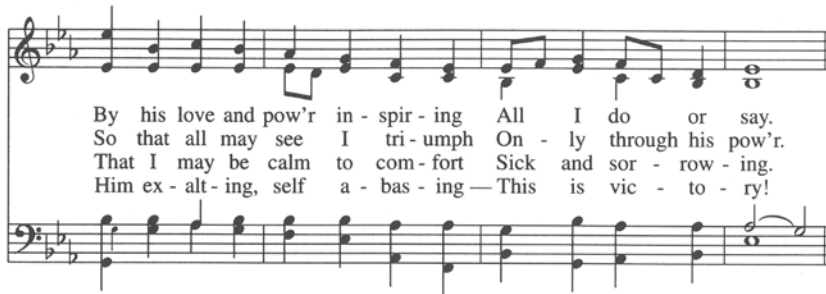
leaves no suf - f'rer friend - less But rights the wronged at last.
with - er like the grass - es; Our place knows us no more.
hears our hymns with fa - vor — My soul, oh, bless the Lord!

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

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1 May the mind of Christ my Sav - ior Live in me from day to day,
 2 May the Word of God dwell rich - ly In my heart from hour to hour,
 3 May the peace of God my Fa - ther Rule my life in ev - 'ry - thing,
 4 May the love of Je - sus fill me As the wa - ters fill the sea,



By his love and pow'r in - spir - ing All I do or say.
 So that all may see I tri - umph On - ly through his pow'r.
 That I may be calm to com - fort Sick and sor - row - ing.
 Him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing — This is vic - to - ry!

5 May I run the race before me,
 Strong and brave to face the foe,
 Looking only unto Jesus
 As I onward go.

6 May his spirit live within me
 As I seek the lost to win,
 And may they forget the channel,
 Seeing only him.

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Today Your Mercy Calls Us

1 To - day your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.
 2 To - day your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in
 3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits.
 4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,

How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,
 Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.
 His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.
 What should we do with - out you When heart and eye run o'er?

How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,
 The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,
 No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;
 When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,

Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.
 A fu - ture grace be prom - ised: A glo - rious crown in heav'n.
 Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.
 We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

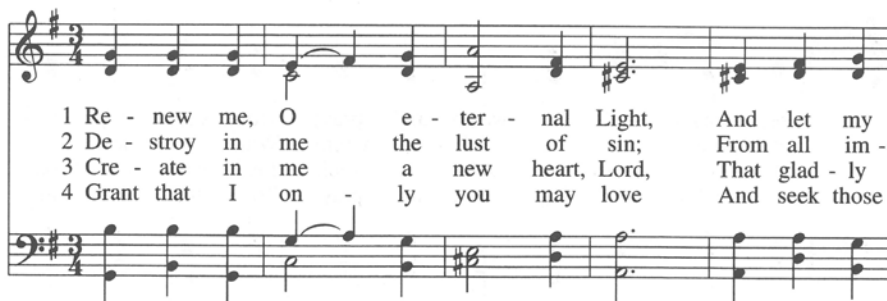
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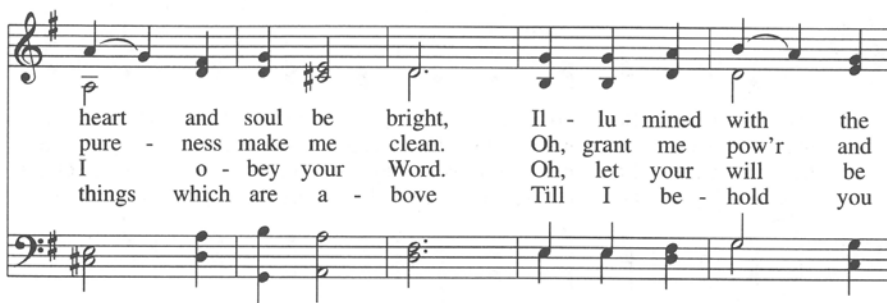
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Renew Me, O Eternal Light

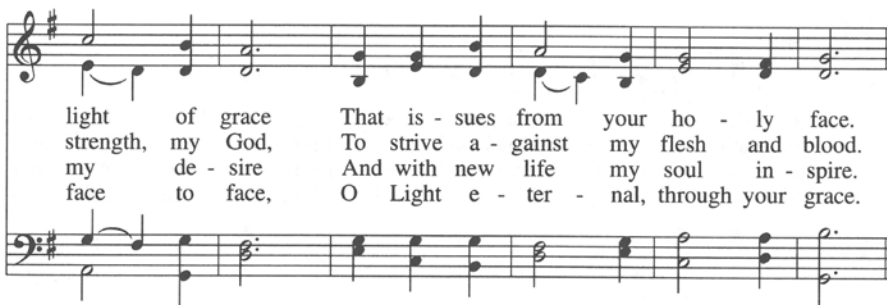
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1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
 2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin; From all im -
 3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
 4 Grant that I on - ly you may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
 pure - ness make me clean. Oh, grant me pow'r and
 I o - bey your Word. Oh, let your will be
 things which are a - bove Till I be - hold you



light of grace That is - sues from your ho - ly face.
 strength, my God, To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.
 my de - sire And with new life my soul in - spire.
 face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

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Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name

1 Sav - ior, a - gain to thy dear name we raise
 2 Grant us thy peace up - on our home - ward way;
 3 Grant us thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;
 4 Grant us thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,

With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise.
 With thee be - gan, with thee shall end the day.
 Turn thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.
 Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife.

Once more we bless thee ere our wor - ship cease,
 Guard thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,
 From harm and dan - ger keep thy peo - ple free,
 Then, when thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait thy word of peace.
 That in this house have called up - on thy name.
 For dark and light are both a - like to thee.
 Call us, O Lord, to thine e - ter - nal peace.

HIS HAND



AMONG
THE

NATIONS

Seeing God's Control in the Old Testament World

- Lesson 1 The World of the Patriarchs (3100–1899 B.C.)
- Lesson 2 Israel in Egypt and in the Wilderness (1899–1406 B.C.)
- Lesson 3 Nations That Stood in the Way of Israel's Inheritance (1406–1380 B.C.)
- Lesson 4 The Time of the Judges (1380–1050 B.C.)
- Lesson 5 Nations Interacting With Israel's United Kingdom (1051–931 B.C.)
- Lesson 6 Foreign Nations and Israel During the Divided Kingdom (930–722 B.C.)
- Lesson 7 Judah During the Divided Kingdom (930–605 B.C.)

September 13 to November 8
Adult Bible Study - Taught by Pastor Hintz
In the Fellowship Hall - 9:15am Sundays

OCTOBER USHERS' SCHEDULE

8:00 am, Sunday Team 4

Steve Wolf, Mark Boeckman, Andy Koffman,
Jordan Liesener, Bill Mathiak, Dave Packard

10:30 am Sunday Team 2

George Edwards. Cliff Anderson, Matt & Sam Schiller, Bill
Tschanz, Ben Polheber, Kent Russell

Thursday 7:00 pm Team 2

Dick Blank & Bill Wessel

ALTAR ASSISTANTS FOR OCTOBER 15th & 18th

Thursday 7:00 PM Stu Stein

Sunday 8:00 AM Jeremiah Backhaus, Marty Dierker & Isaac Pappenfuss

Sunday 10:30 AM Gary Suckow, George Edwards & Tom Hering

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR OCTOBER 15th & 18th

Thursday 7:00 PM Jill Klug

Sunday 8:00 AM Alison Wolff

Sunday 10:30 AM Paul Clements

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR OCTOBER 22nd & 25th

Thursday 7:00 PM *OPEN – Help Needed*

Sunday 8:00 AM Alison Wolff

Sunday 10:30 AM Paul Clements

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (10/18) **8:00** **am** **Worship Service w/communion**
 9:15 **am** **Adult Bible & Sunday School**
 10:30 **am** **Worship Service w/communion**
 11:45 **am** **Voters' Meeting**
 Wednesday 4:00 **pm** **Public School Confirmation Class**
 Thursday **7:00** **pm** **Worship Service**
Sunday (10/25) **8:00** **am** **Worship Service**
 9:15 **am** **Adult & Teen Bible Study**
 10:30 **am** **Worship Service**

NEXT WEEK'S BIBLE READINGS

1 st Lesson	2 Corinthians 30:1-5, 10-22
2 nd Lesson	Romans 11:1-10
Gospel	Matthew 22:1-14
Psalms	Psalms 23

*LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday
 This service is also recorded for review after livestream.
 Link on our website (see below).*

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THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**"GOD IS FULL
OF COMPASSION"**
SERVICE THEME

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Monica Dierker

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As Printed

FIRST LESSON:

Isaiah 5:1-7

SECOND LESSON:

Philippians 3:12-21

GOSPEL:

Matthew 21:33-43

SERMON:

2 Chron. 33:1-13

The Lord's
Compassion Knows
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