

22nd Sunday of Pentecost

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Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

(Wisconsin Synod)

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WORSHIP NOTES How to win friends and influence people. Dale Carnegie wrote this book for people to be able to become “influencers”, to get people to do things. It can be an ambitious person who sets about that work. They desire to get positions of power to influence people and get them to do what they want. Positions of power have a way of going to our heads. This is not the way the Jesus followers exhibit ambition. A right focus and use of our positions are the focus for the lessons this week. The words and works of Jesus take us to a proper understanding that our ambition in his kingdom are not seats of power, but of powerful service.

PRAYER OF THE DAY O Holy Spirit, I confess that I often fail to focus on Your Words of life and instead focus on the things of this world. Remind me today that Your Words are spirit and are life! Lead me to listen closely and eagerly, that You might fill me with Your peace. In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.

GUESTS Welcome to our visitors!

Restrooms: At the far (south) side of the entry area.

Parents’ Room: Also at the far (south) side of the entry area.

Large Print Hymnal: Contact an usher.



OPENING HYMN

“Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit ”

Christian Worship, # 181

Come, oh, come, life-giving Spirit,
God from all eternity!
May your power never fail us;
Dwell within us constantly.
Then shall truth and life and light
Banish all the gloom of night.

Show us, Lord, the path of blessing;
When we trespass on our way,
Cast, O Lord, our sins behind you
And be with us day by day.
Should we stray, O Lord, recall;
Work repentance when we fall.

With our spirit, Lord, bear witness
That we are the saints of God
Who rely upon him solely
When we're chastened by the rod;
For we know, as children should,
That the cross is for our good.

Prompt us, Lord, to come before him
With a childlike heart to pray;
Sigh for us, O Holy Spirit,
When we know not what to say.
Then our prayer is not in vain,
And our faith new strength shall gain.

Grant our hearts in fullest measure
Wisdom, counsel, purity,
That we always strive to please you,
Working for you willingly.
Let the gospel spread and grow,
Bringing Satan's overthrow.

ORDER OF SERVICE *Service of the Word*

CW, p. 38

Preacher: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.** (*spoken*)

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

3-8 SING

“Thy Holy Wings oh Savior”

10:30 am

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless-ed are

they who take ref-uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e-

- ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav-

- ens. Your faith-ful-ness con-tin-ues for-

- ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.

Bless-ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

FIRST LESSON 2 CHRONICLES 26:16-23

The alternative to reordering our ambition is to see it grow like a cancer until it destroys us. In Uzziah's case the success that God gave him became a snare. So successful was he in achieving wealth and power that he decided he knew everything better than God did. In his presumption the leprosy on his soul became leprosy also on his body, a disease that made his wealth and power empty and devoid of any satisfaction. There are a lot of people like Uzziah today. Their ambitions and efforts have been blessed by God, so that they imagine that they know it all, including what God should have said in his Word but didn't say. They presume to correct the Bible so that it fits better with their own vain thinking. The mind

bent on service in the footsteps of the lowly Savior is content first and foremost with all that God has said.

But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the LORD his God, and entered the temple of the LORD to burn incense on the altar of incense. Azariah the priest with eighty other courageous priests of the LORD followed him in. They confronted him and said, “It is not right for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the LORD. That is for the priests, the descendants of Aaron, who have been consecrated to burn incense. Leave the sanctuary, for you have been unfaithful; and you will not be honored by the LORD God.”

Uzziah, who had a censer in his hand ready to burn incense, became angry. While he was raging at the priests in their presence before the incense altar in the LORD’S temple, leprosy broke out on his forehead. When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests looked at him, they saw that he had leprosy on his forehead, so they hurried him out. Indeed, he himself was eager to leave, because the LORD had afflicted him.

King Uzziah had leprosy until the day he died. He lived in a separate house—leprous, and excluded from the temple of the LORD. Jotham his son had charge of the palace and governed the people of the land.

The other events of Uzziah’s reign, from beginning to end, are recorded by the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz. Uzziah rested with his fathers and was buried near them in a field for burial that belonged to the kings, for people said, “He had leprosy.” And Jotham his son succeeded him as king.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 22

(p.11)

CW, p. 71

SECOND LESSON

1 CORINTHIANS 9:7-12, 19-23

Next to the Savior himself, there is probably no better example of proper ambition than that which Paul gives. If we measure ourselves against the Savior we might only despair. If we measure ourselves against Paul we can at least see one who took Jesus’ words about ambition seriously. See what good it did, what a blessing it was and still is for the church! He not only served everyone he could; he served by putting himself in their place, seeing himself as one of them, so that he could apply all the truth of God’s Word to their particular situation and circumstance. Notice the last line of the reading: he did it all so that he might also share in the gospel’s blessing. Serving with the gospel, the gospel became his anew in every man’s circumstance; its depth and its richness he could see and appreciate and apply to himself all the more.

Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk? Do I say this merely from a human point of view? Doesn’t the Law say the same thing? For it is written in the Law of Moses: “Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain.” Is it about oxen that God is concerned? Surely he says this for us, doesn’t he? Yes, this was written for us, because when the plowman plows and the thresher threshes, they ought to do so in the hope of

sharing in the harvest. If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more? But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ. Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. For we are God's workmanship...

C: created in Christ Jesus to do good works. Alleluia. (Ephesians 2:10a)

RESPONSE

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

MARK 10:35-45

Once again the disciples, like us, get it wrong. Jesus has just finished telling them of his coming Passion, and all they can think about is worldly ambition, which one of them should be first. Just like he does when discussing family and wealth, Jesus turns everything upside down from the way that we by nature are inclined to look at things. In fact it is our ambition to be first and have our own way that wrecks family life and perverts the proper uses of

wealth. Ah, but in Jesus' way both family life and wealth become great blessings. For the ambition is to serve, not to be served. That service is ever asking: How can I help? instead of When is it my turn? Look who has led by example! The One who alone deserves to be served has served the lowliest of the low. He served me, even me, by coming to find, to rescue, to save me by giving his own life for my ransom.

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."

"What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."

"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

"We can," they answered.

Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly"

CW, # 484

Brothers, sisters, let us gladly
Give to God our all, our best --
Service hearty, thorough, honest,
With a living love impressed.
All our duty, all our striving,
All our time to him belong;
Praise him, then, with true devotion;
Come before him with a song.

By his mercy, by his bounty,
By the gift of Christ, his Son,
What great goodness he has shown us,
What high marvels he has done!
Let us to him promptly, freely,
Yield our bodies and our souls,
Thankful that his love protects us,
That his wisdom all controls.

Gracious Lord, accept our service
For the sake of Christ, your Son;
Lo, our hope abides now only
In the righteousness he won.
Bless and save us; help and guide us;
Watch to comfort and restore
Till in heav'n we rest rejoicing,
Praising you forevermore.

SERMON

MARK 10:35-45

Let Me...

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

OFFERING

Online or in the entryway. Guests please do not feel any obligation to participate in the offering (though you are always welcome to do so). Please fill out a Guest Card located in the entryway, and drop it in the box on the Welcome Center so we can connect with you – thanks!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

CLOSING PRAYER

P: O Lord God, our Heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



3-8 SING

“Thy Holy Wings oh Savior”

8:00 am

BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



HYMN

“O Master of the Loving Heart”

CW, 491

O Master of the loving heart,
The friend of all in need,
We pray that we may be like you
In thought and word and deed.

Your days were full of kindly acts;
Your speech was true and plain;
Of those who ever sought you, Lord,
None came to you in vain.

Your face was warm with sympathy;
Your hand God's strength revealed;
Who saw your face or felt your touch
Were comforted and healed.

Oh, grant us hearts like yours, dear Lord,
So joyous, free and true,
That all your children, ev'rywhere,
Be drawn by us to you.

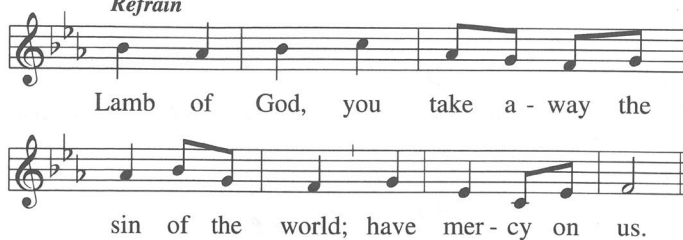
SILENT PRAYER **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



The Stewardship Committee welcomes all members and friends to help **select the best chili!** If you'd like to enter your winning concoction, **sign up** on the sheet in the church entry way and **bring your chili by 5:40 pm**. Taste testing will begin just after 6 pm. Hot dogs, chips, chili, and dessert will also be provided. Babysitting will not be available, but the whole family is encouraged to attend!

Psalm 22

Refrain



Psalm tone



My God, my God, why have you for'saken me?*

Why are you so far from sáving me?

I am a worm and nót a man,*

scorned by men and despised by the péople.

All who see me móck me;*

they hurl insults, shaking théir heads:

"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD réscue him.*

Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

Refrain

My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;*

you lay me in the dust of death.

A band of evil men has encircled me,*

they have pierced my hands and my feet.

They divide my garments among them*

and cast lots for my clothing.

But you, O LORD, be not fár off;*

O my Strength, come quickly to help me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (10/24)	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	9:15 AM	Adult & Teen Bible Study
Tuesday	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	10:30 AM	Senior Bible Study
	9:00 AM	OSLS Grandparents Day
Wednesday	4:00 PM	Public School Confirmation Class
	7:00 PM	Bible Information Class
	7:00 PM	Reformation Worship Service
Thursday	8:15 PM	Bible Information Class
	8:00 AM	Reformation Worship Service
Sunday (10/31)	9:15 AM	Adult & Teen Bible Study
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Reformation Worship Service

Next Week's Readings

First Lesson	Jeremiah 18:1-11
Second Lesson	Revelations 14:6-7
Gospel	Mark 13:5-11

THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

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ORGANIST:

Monica Dierker

HYMNS: 181, 484, 491

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2 CHRONICLES 26:16-23

SECOND LESSON:

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THE SERMON:

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Let Me...

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