

Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church & School Grafton, WI July 28, 2024

### **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Today's Focus:** Meaningful ministry means that God will provide for our physical needs so that we are equipped to reflect his love as we meet the physical and spiritual needs of others. Jesus promises to meet our needs as he gives us courage to serve one another.

**Stewardship from God's Word:** 2 Corinthians 9:8-11 "All things at all times, having all that you need"—these words of God underscore that God's grace and goodness remain the source of all our blessings. This is true whether those blessings are few or many. Part of our responsibility and privilege is to show our thanks to God for those blessings. One way we express that appreciation is through our generosity towards him and others.

#### Welcome!

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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The 10:30 service is livestreamed for our members at home.



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### Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

### Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

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If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.
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Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

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### Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

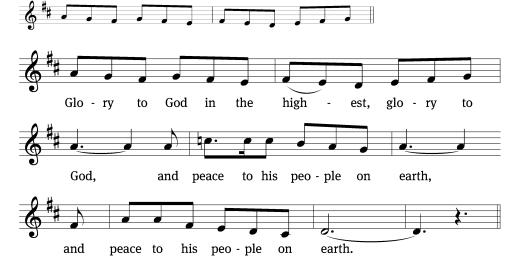
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

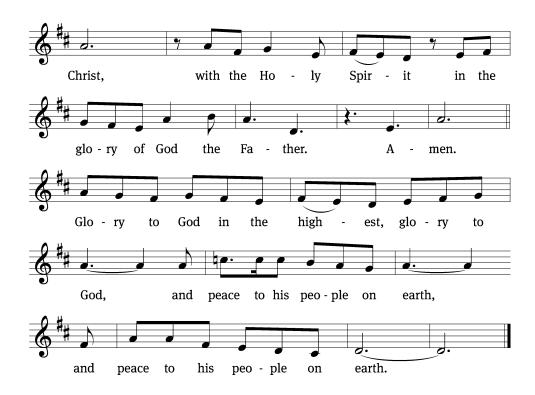
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.** 

### Glory to God in the Highest



CW 191





# The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve your goodness, still you provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge your gifts, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Amen.

Be seated

### **First Reading**

<sup>1</sup>The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. <sup>2</sup>In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

<sup>4</sup>Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days."

<sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" <sup>8</sup>Moses also said, "You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD."

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'"

<sup>10</sup>While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

"The LORD said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>"I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.' "

<sup>13</sup>That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, "It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### 145B I Will Praise Your Name Forever



- Great is the LORD and most wor- / thy of praise;
- his greatness no one can / fathom.
- One generation commends your works to an- / other;
- they tell of your / mighty acts.
- The LORD upholds / all who fall
- and lifts up all who are / bowed down. Refrain

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the / proper time.

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every / living thing.

- The LORD is near to all who / call on him,
- to all who call on / him in truth.
- He fulfills the desires of those who / fear him;
  - he hears their cry and / saves them.

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Glory be to the Father and / to the Son
and to the Holy / Spirit,
as it was in the be- / ginning,
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain
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### Second Reading

<sup>8</sup>And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup>As it is written:

"They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever."

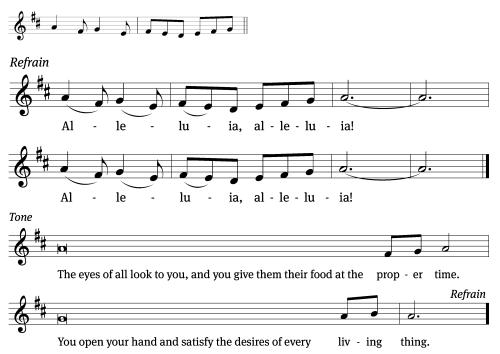
<sup>10</sup>Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Stand

## Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 145:15,16



#### Gospel

<sup>35</sup>By this time it was late in the day, so his disciples came to him. "This is a remote place," they said, "and it's already very late. <sup>36</sup>Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

<sup>37</sup>But he answered, "You give them something to eat."

They said to him, "That would take more than half a year's wages! Are we to go and spend that much on bread and give it to them to eat?"

<sup>38</sup>"How many loaves do you have?" he asked. "Go and see."

When they found out, they said, "Five-and two fish."

<sup>39</sup>Then Jesus directed them to have all the people sit down in groups on the green grass. <sup>40</sup>So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. <sup>41</sup>Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. <sup>42</sup>They all ate and were satisfied, <sup>43</sup>and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. <sup>44</sup>The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!** 

Be seated

#### Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing

#### Sermon

Thank you to Mr. Sam Eickhoff for his message today. Mr. Eickhoff is preparing to start his second year of Seminary training.

CW 827

Mark 4:35-41

Stand

### **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.

Be seated

### Prayer of the Church

Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

#### Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

#### Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

### Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

#### Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. *[Especially bless . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition.]* Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

#### Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

#### Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever. **Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.** 

### Offering

Our Savior's ministries are supported by the joyful and generous gifts of her members. If you are not a member of Our Savior, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. It is our privilege and pleasure to serve you with God's Word today. You may make your gift in the following ways:

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### We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

CW 609

#### Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

### 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

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. **Amen.** 

Be seated

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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#### Acknowledgments

#### Setting Three from Christian Worship

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