



CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 21st & 22nd, 2023

The Season

In the first half of the Church Year (Advent through Pentecost) we look at the life of Christ—his birth, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit. In the second half of the year, we look at the teachings of Christ.

The Sunday

"There is no authority except that which God has established." We confess our belief that the King of kings is in perfect control of all the governments of this world, and that he works in all things—including tyrants and dictators—for the eternal good of his dear children.

The Service

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar in which we joyfully receive Christ's body and blood, in, with, and under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament we also give public confession of our complete unity in the Christian faith. We invite communicant members of St. Lucas Lutheran Church, or of another congregation in the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) or of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod (ELS) to commune. If you are a guest visiting with us today, please refrain from communing until you have spoken with our pastor. The congregation reads the potions in bold print.

Prayer before Worship

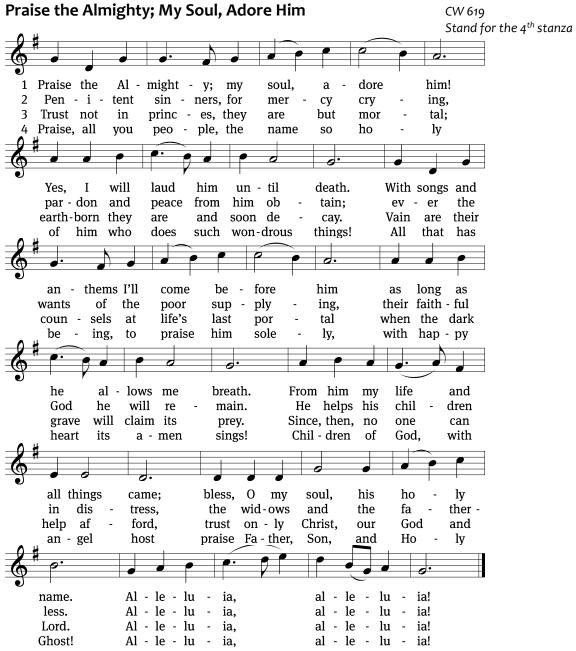
Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning Organist: Coralee Henning

Ushers: Mike Beyer (6 pm Saturday)

Henry Schacht (8 am Sunday) Doug Strack (10:30 am Sunday)



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Confession CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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.

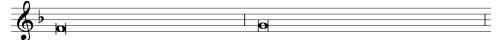
Lord, Have Mercy



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



Tune: Kevin Becker



The Word

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

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world that your church may worship you in peace and joy; 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 Daniel 1:3–21

³Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king's service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility— ⁴young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king's palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians. ⁵The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service.

⁶Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. ⁷The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

⁸But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. ⁹Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, ¹⁰but the official told Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you."

"Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, 12"Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. 13Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." 14So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days.

¹⁵At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. ¹⁶So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead.

¹⁷To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds.

¹⁸At the end of the time set by the king to bring them into his service, the chief official presented them to Nebuchadnezzar. ¹⁹The king talked with them, and he found none equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king's service. ²⁰In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.

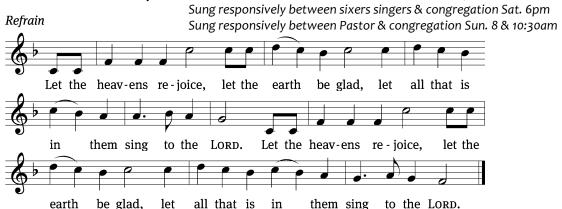
²¹And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Let the Heavens Rejoice

Psalm 96A



Tone



Sing to the LORD a / new song;

sing to the LORD, / all the earth.

Sing to the LORD, / praise his name;

proclaim his salvation day / after day.

Declare his glory among the / nations,

his marvelous deeds among all / peoples.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory / due his name;

bring an offering and come in- / to his courts. Refrain

Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, / for he comes,

he comes to / judge the earth.

He will judge the world in / righteousness

and the peoples in his / faithfulness.

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

Second Reading

Romans 13:1-7

'Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

²Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.

³For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended.

⁴For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.

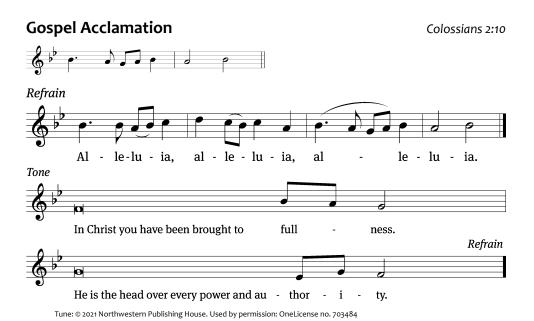
⁵Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

⁶This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. ⁷Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand



Gospel Matthew 22:15–22

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 that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. ¹⁷Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax 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 image is this? And whose inscription?"

²¹"Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated



O God, My Faithful God

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Sermon

Romans 13:1 Give Thanks for God's Gift of Government

Stand

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, *[especially . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition]*. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, *[especially . . . here name the person]*. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

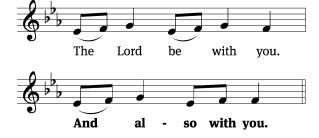
Offering God's people offer their first and best to the Lord in response to the Lord's blessings to them. The offering is gathered in a basket in the church entrance before or after the service. If you prefer to give electronically, you may scan this graphic to access www.stlucaswels.org/donate.

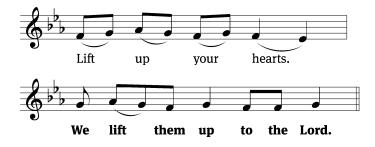


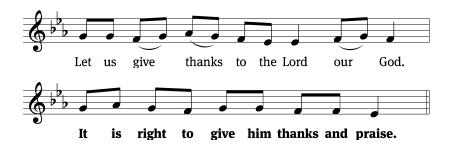
The Sacrament

Stand

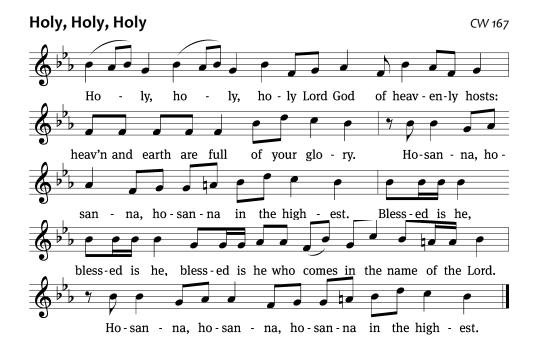








It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**.

Lord's Prayer

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.



Words of Institution

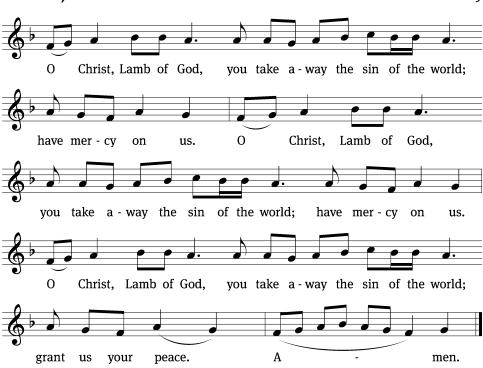
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**



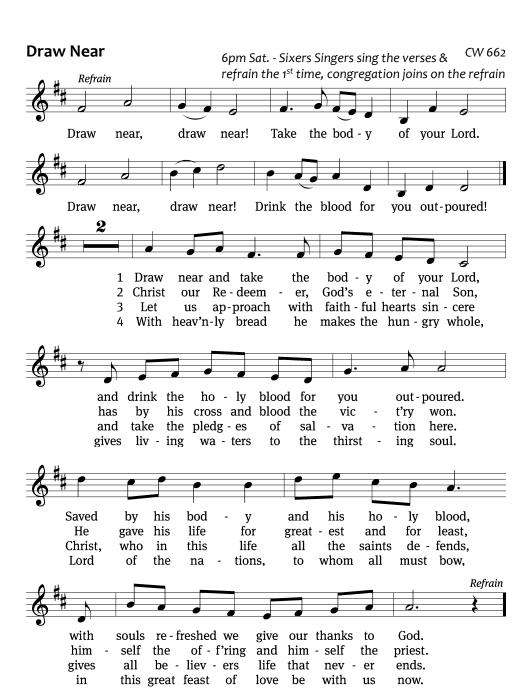
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Be seated

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The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go + in peace.

Amen.

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.





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Announcements

Congregational Meeting: We will have a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 5, at 10:05 am (between services) to renew the Divine Call for Mrs. Burt in our Lutheran Elementary School, and hear an update from our Church Building Coordinating Task Force.

Focus on Ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary: This WLS Focus on Ministry is intended to bring high school boys onto the WLS campus, allow them a chance to speak with current students, and lead them to think more about the pastoral ministry.

We have scheduled two more Focus on Ministry events at WLS for 2023-2024: Sunday-Monday, November 12-13, 2023, and Sunday-Monday, February 25-26, 2024.

During this trip the student will tour the seminary campus, visit classes, worship in chapel, and stay in the dorms. They'll also enjoy fellowship, games, food, and entertainment with young men from the seminary who are preparing to be pastors. They will answer questions and share what it's like to train to be a pastor.

Technology Class - ADRC of Washington County: West Bend, WI – The Aging & Disability Resource Center of Washington County has partnered with students at Kewaskum High School to educate anyone who needs help with technology.

Learn how to download apps, create notes and lists, FaceTime and text, use e-mail, and much more On your Smartphone!

The Technology class will be held for 6 weekly sessions on Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and December 6, 2023, 10:40 – 11:30 am. Classes will be held at Kewaskum High School, 1510 Bilgo Lane, Kewaskum, WI 53040.

For more information, please call Tammy Anderson at 262-335-4494. If you are in need of transportation, the ADRC is able to assist with transportation options or taxi tickets to get participants to the school.

Veterans Day Observance at KML: KML's annual Veterans Day Observance will be held **Thursday**, **November 2**, **2023**, **at 9:20 AM** in the KML PAC. Doors open at 9:00 AM. All are invited to attend. No RSVP necessary. More info at kmlhs.org/veterans.

Staff & Operations Support Specialist (SOS) position Available: WELS Lutherans for Life is seeking qualified candidates for the Staff & Operations Support Specialist (SOS) position – open immediately. The SOS works directly with the CEO handling a wide range of administrative, executive support, and office management related tasks and will be able to work independently with little or no supervision. For more information or to submit your resume, contact Peter Georgson at Peter@ALife2.com.

2 Childcare Teacher Positions Available at Little Lambs Childcare Center: Little Lambs Child Care Center is looking to hire two (2) child care teachers for the 1-year old room (with the option to assist in other age classes as well). We are looking for teachers with early childcare development experience and who want long- term teaching careers. Pay is dependent on your experience and qualifications. Anyone interested can reach out to Jessica or Mari using the Little Lambs email (littlelambs@gslswb.org), or give us a call at 262-338-1764.

Childcare Position Available at Our Savior Lutheran School: Our Savior Lutheran in Grafton is looking to fill a part-time position to provide childcare for the hours listed below. This is a split position with our current childcare provider.

- · Wrap Around Care from 11:30am 3:15pm
- · After School Care from 3:15pm 5:30pm

Starting pay is \$15-17/hour.

If interested, please contact Principal Nathan Schultz at 262-377-7780 or email resume/message to nschultz@oursaviorgrafton.org.

Childcare Position Available at St. Paul Little Learners: St. Paul Little Learners in Slinger is accepting applications for reliable people over the age of 18 to work a flexible part/full-time schedule as a teacher in the childcare.

No experience necessary! No nights or weekends! Free Childcare! Come join an awesome State licensed, 5-Star childcare and work with wonderful, caring people! Contact Lisa Meissner for more information, littlelearners@stpaulslinger.org or 262-644-8295 ext. 1.

KML Job Openings: Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School is looking to fill the following positions:

• <u>Concessions</u>: Work in KML's concession stand during home games and tournaments. This entails simple food preparation, customer service, and clean up. The schedule involves nights and weekends.

Interested? Questions? Contact Mr. Jody Hansen, Director of Operations (262.677.4051 x4004; jody.hansen@kmlhs.org).

Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:

BIRTHDAYS

Robert Belger – 10/23 Arya Paulus – 10/26 Howard Fischer – 10/23 Alice Furlomg – 10/28 Dennis Backhaus – 10/24 Elaine Hostettler – 10/28

Timothy Henning - 10/26

Calendar

Readings for October 22nd - October 29th, 2023

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		
Deuteronomy 21:1-23 Deuteronomy 22:1-24:9 Matthew 16:1-12 *Worship w/Communion 8 am Sunday School 9:15 am Bible Hour 9:15 am *Worship w/Communion 10:30 am		Deuteronomy 24:10-25:10 Matthew 16:33-28		Deuteronomy 25:17-26:19 Matthew 17:1-13 Bible Study 6:30 pm		
WEDNESDAY	25	THURSDAY	26	FRIDAY		
Deuteronomy 27:1-26 Matthew 17:14-27	25	Deuteronomy 28:1-22 Matthew 18:1-20 Fuel for Moms 7:45 am Bible Study 10 am	0000	Deuteronomy Matthew 18:21-		27
SATURDAY		SUNDAY		UPCOMING USHERS		
Deuteronomy 30:1-20 Matthew 19:1-15 *Worship 6 pm	28	Deuteronomy 31:1-29 Matthew 19:16-30 *Worship 8 am Sunday School 9:15 am Bible Hour 9:15 am *Worship 10:30 am	29	Sat. 10/28: Sun. 10/29: Sat. 11/4: Sun. 11/5:	Butzke Kempf Koch Peters Stoltz Wolter	6pm 8am 10:30am 6pm 8am 10:30am

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