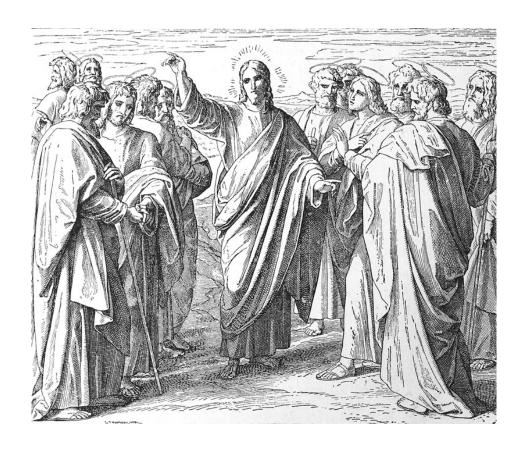
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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THE COMMON SERVICE

Hymn ----- Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

- Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep awaken!
 Be not by the evil day Unawares o'ertaken.
 For the foe, Well we know,
 Is a harvest reaping While the saints are sleeping.
- Watch! Let not the wicked world With its lies defeat you
 Lest with bold deceptions hurled It betray and cheat you.
 Watch and see Lest there be
 Faithless friends to charm you Who but seek to harm you.
- Watch against yourself, my soul, Lest with grace you trifle; Let not self your thoughts control Nor God's mercy stifle.
 Pride and sin Lurk within,
 All your hopes to shatter; Heed not when they flatter.
- 4. But while watching also pray To the Lord unceasing. God protects you day by day, Strength and faith increasing, So that still Mind and will Shall unite to serve him And forever love him.

Stand.

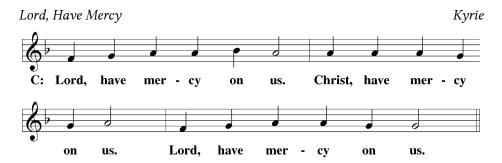
M: In the name of the Father and of the Son \dagger and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins

- to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

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



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you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,



Prayer of the Day

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ----- Jeremiah 20:7-13

You persuaded me, LORD, and I agreed to it.
You are stronger than I am, and you won out.
I have become a laughingstock all day long,
and everyone is mocking me. Whenever I speak, I
cry out. I cry out, "Violence and destruction!"
But the word of the LORD has brought scorn on
me. I am mocked all day long.

If I say, "I will not mention him or speak in his name anymore," then there is a burning fire in my heart, shut up in my bones, and I am weary of holding it in. I cannot!

I hear many whispering, "Terror on every side!"

All my close friends, those who are watching for

my fall, say, "Denounce him! Let's denounce him.

Perhaps he can be pressured into making a mistake.

Then we will have the upper hand against him, and we will take our revenge on him."
But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior. So my persecutors will stumble, and they will not gain the upper hand.
They will be put to shame completely,

because they have not been successful. Their eternal disgrace will never be forgotten.

Lord of Armies, you test the righteous. You see the heart and the mind.

Let me see your vengeance on them, for I have laid out my case before you.

Sing to the Lord! Praise the Lord, for he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of the wicked.

Psalm of the Day ------ Psalm 31CW p.77

Refrain

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

In you, O LORD, I have taken <u>ref</u>uge;* deliver me in your <u>right</u>eousness.

Be my rock of <u>ref</u>uge,*
a strong fortress to <u>save</u> me.

Into your hands I commit my spirit;* redeem me, O LORD, the God of truth.

Refrain

My times are <u>in</u> your hands;* save me in your un<u>fail</u>ing love.

How great is your <u>good</u>ness,*
which you have stored up for those who <u>fear</u> you.

You heard my cry for <u>mer</u>cy* when I called to <u>you</u> for help.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beg<u>in</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

Second Lesson ------ Romans 5:12-15

So then, just as sin entered the world through one man and death through sin, so also death spread to all people because all sinned. For even before the law was given, sin was in the world. Now, sin is not charged to one's account if there is no law, and yet death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those whose sin was not like the transgression of

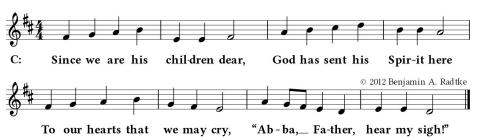
Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

But the gracious gift is not like Adam's trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of this one man, it is even more certain that God's grace, and the gift given by the grace of the one man Jesus Christ, overflowed to the many!

Verse of the Day

Galatians 4:6

Tune: CW 183



Stand.

Gospel ----- Matthew 10:24-33

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor is a servant above his master. It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher and the servant like his master. If the master of the house was called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

"So do not be afraid of them, because there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, and nothing hidden that will not be made known. What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; and what you hear whispered in your ear, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, fear the one who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

"Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground without the knowledge and consent of your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all numbered. So do not be afraid. You are worth more than many sparrows.

"Everyone who confesses me before others, I will also confess before my Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies me before others, I will also deny before my Father who is in heaven."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Nicene Creed

C: 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 be-

came fully 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.

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ----- Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid
CW 188

- Creator Spirit, by whose aid The world's foundations first were laid, Come, visit ev'ry humble mind; Come, pour your joys on humankind. From sin and sorrow set us free; May we your living temples be.
- O Source of light, our Counselor, The Father's help to us assure.
 Come down, as promised, with your fire,
 And hearts with heav'nly love inspire.
 Your sacred, healing message bring To sanctify us when we sing.
- Giver of grace, descend from high In answer to our earnest cry.
 Help us eternal truths receive And practice all that we believe.
 Give us your wisdom that we see The glory of the Trinity.
- Immortal honor, endless fame, Attend th' almighty Father's name;
 The Savior-Son be glorified, Who for all humankind has died;
 And equal adoration rise To you, O Spirit, in the skies.

Sermon ------ Genesis 32:22-30

Wrestle with God in Prayer

Stand.

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



Prayer of the Church

The minister calls for the petitions and the congregation prays with "Lord, have mercy."

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

- M: That sin would not reign in our mortal bodies or make us obey its passions, but as those brought from death into life, we would present our bodies to God as instruments of righteousness, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For courage and fortitude, that God would bless His pastors and people to sing His praises, endure suffering for the name of Jesus, and continue by His grace to the end, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the households of this congregation, that our Father in heaven would overcome division with unity of faith, give wisdom and peace where there is anger and strife, and bless parents with faithfulness to teach their children, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the authorities of our nation, that God would bless them with wisdom to seek the common good, deliver them from temptations to promote evil and oppose His will, and give them penitent hearts and confidence in His grace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For a love of God's Word, that though the world treats it with derision, we would hold fast to the Scriptures and declare God's praises, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For those persecuted for the name of Jesus, that God would look with favor upon them, be the dread warrior against the evil one, and make His mercy known to the world through their suffering, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For rescue from fear, that He who delivered our souls from death would strengthen our faith to walk before Him in the light of everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

- M: For all who partake of the Holy Communion this day, that they would present themselves as those brought out of death into life to receive in repentance the forgiveness of their sins, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Be merciful to us, O Lord, and hear our prayers. Grant to us the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that we may be led into all truth and be steadfast in the confession of Christ; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

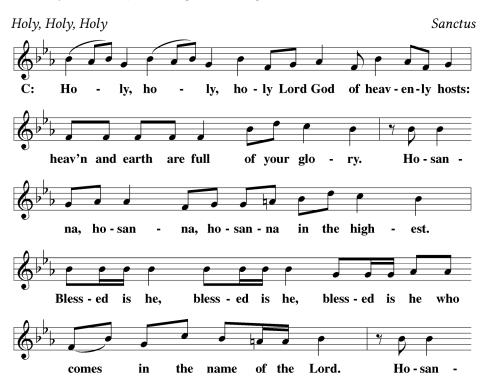


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: 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 till 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:





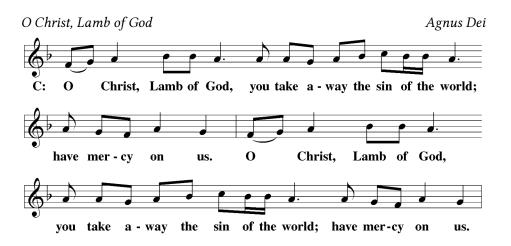
Words of Institution

M: 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.







Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

In Holy Communion we believe that Jesus gives us his own body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. We ask that, in keeping with God's Word, only confirmed members who are in confessional unity with our church (WELS and ELS) would come forward to receive this sacrament. If you have any questions or are interested in communicant membership, please speak with the pastor.

During the distribution, the congregation sings the following hymns:

Hymn ----- Jesus, Priceless Treasure
CW 349

1. Jesus, priceless treasure, Fount of purest pleasure, Truest friend to me.

Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish,

Yearning, Lord, for thee?

Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!

I will suffer naught to hide thee, Naught I ask beside thee.

2. In thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me

Cannot reach me here.

Though the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking, Jesus calms my fear.

Lightnings flash And thunders crash;

Yet, tho' sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.

Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee; Fear, I bid thee cease.
 World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me
 While I sing of peace.

God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour; Earth and all its depths adore him, Silent bow before him.

- 4. Hence, all earthly treasure! Jesus is my pleasure; Jesus is my choice. Hence, all empty glory! Naught to me thy story Told with tempting voice. Pain or loss Or shame or cross Shall not from my Savior move me Since he deigns to love me.
- 5. Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in. Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather, Still have peace within. Yea, whate'er I here must bear, Thou art still my purest pleasure, Jesus, priceless treasure!

Hymn ----- Crown Him with Many Crowns

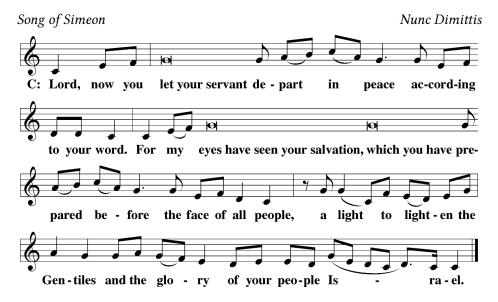
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- Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
 Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,
 And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.
- Crown him the Lord of love-Behold his hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
 No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mysteries so bright.
- Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife For those he came to save.
 His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high,

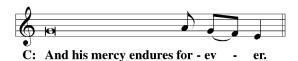
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

4. Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns As thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.

After the distribution is finished the congregation stands and sings:



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. 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.



M: 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.



Be seated.

Hymn ----- Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode
CW 447

- Who trusts in God, A strong abode
 In heav'n and earth possesses;
 Who looks in love To Christ above No fear his heart oppresses.
 In you alone, Dear Lord, we own
 Sweet hope and consolation,
 Our shield from foes, Our balm for woes,
 Our great and sure salvation.
- Though Satan's wrath Beset our path And worldly scorn assail us, While you are near, We will not fear; Your strength will never fail us.

Your rod and staff Will keep us safe And guide our steps forever; Nor shades of death Nor hell beneath Our souls from you will sever.

In all the strife Of mortal life
 Our feet will stand securely.
 Temptation's hour Will lose its pow'r,
 For you will guard us surely.
 O God, renew With heav'nly dew
 Our body, soul, and spirit
 Until we stand At your right hand
 Through Jesus' saving merit.

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