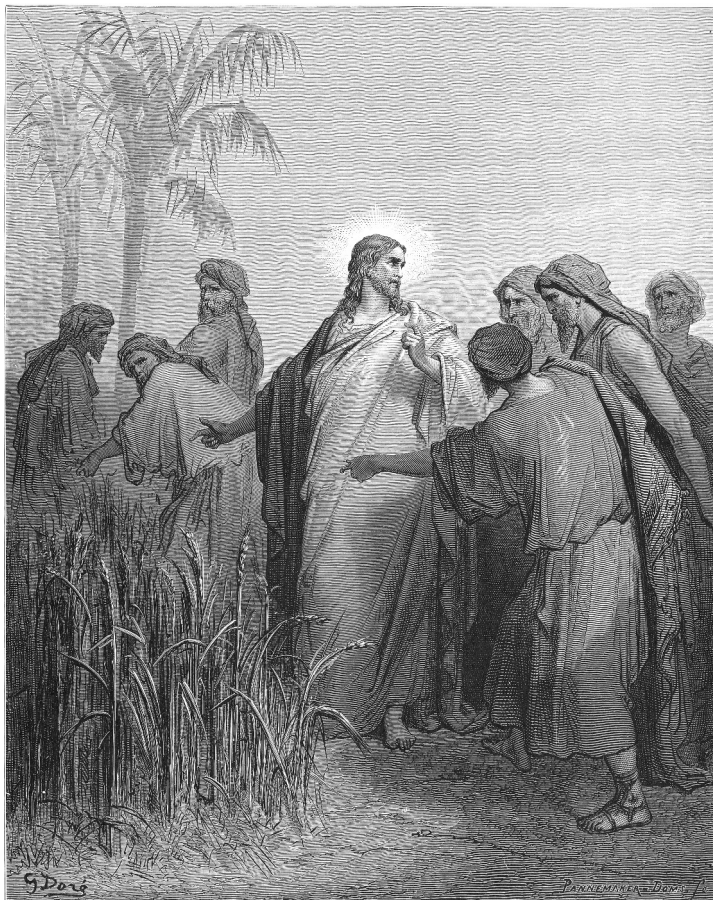


THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn ----- Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

CW 255

1. Open now thy gates of beauty; Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty Waits for him who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place, Filled with solace, light, and grace!
2. Gracious God, I come before thee; Come thou also unto me.
Where we find thee and adore thee, There a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart, oh, enter thou; Let it be thy temple now!
3. Here thy praise is gladly chanted; Here thy seed is duly sown.
Let my soul, where it is planted, Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
So that all I hear may be Fruitful unto life in me.
4. Thou my faith increase and quicken; Let me keep thy gift divine,
Howsoe'er temptations thicken; May thy Word still o'er me shine
As my guiding star through life, As my comfort in all strife.
5. Speak, O God, and I will hear thee; Let thy will be done indeed.
May I undisturbed draw near thee While thou dost thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

Stand.

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

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and
penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to

forgive us.

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.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

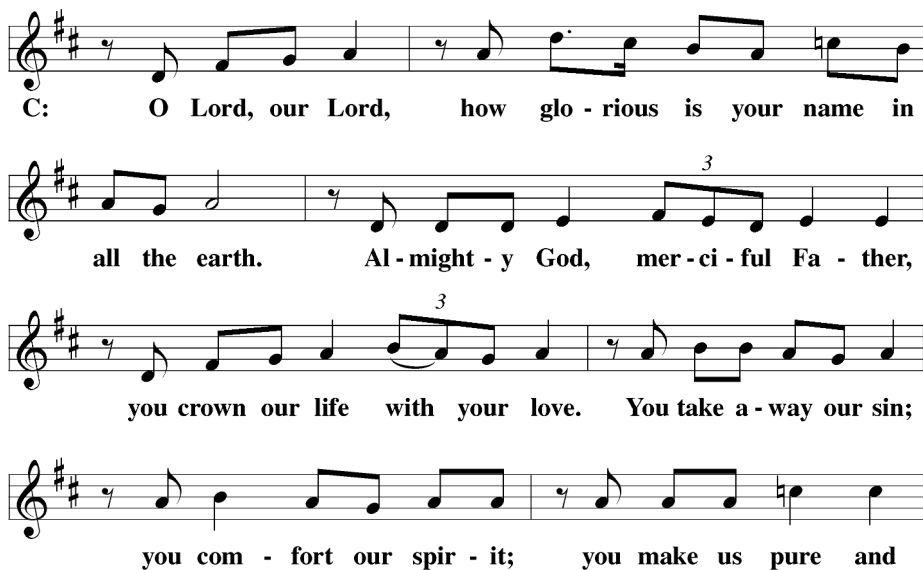


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O Lord, Our Lord





ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.



O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,



you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;



you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the



King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,



how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O God, you rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ----- Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the Sabbath day by setting it apart as holy, just as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you are to serve and perform all of your regular work, but the seventh day is a sabbath rest to the LORD your God. You are not to do any regular work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock

or the alien who resides inside your gates, in order that your male servant and your female servant may rest like you. Remember that you were slaves in the land of Egypt and that the LORD your God brought you out from there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the day of rest.

Psalm of the Day ----- Psalm 62

CW p.88

Refrain

The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

My soul finds rest in God alone;*
my salvation comes from him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation;^{*}
he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;^{*}
my hope comes from him.

Refrain

Though your riches increase,^{*}
do not set your heart on them.

My salvation and my honor depend on God;^{*}
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

Trust in him at all times, O people;^{*}
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

**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

Second Lesson ----- 2 Corinthians 4:5–12

Indeed, we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For the God who said, "Light will shine out of darkness," is the same one who made light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the person of Jesus Christ.

We hold this treasure in clay jars to show that its extraordinary power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, yet

not crushed; perplexed, yet not despairing; persecuted, yet not forsaken; struck down, yet not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of the Lord Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. To be sure, while we are living we are continually being handed over to death because of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our mortal flesh. So then, death is working in us, but life is working in you.

Verse of the Day

Psalm 119:105

Tune: CW 183

C: God, your Word is un-to me Like a fire that I may see,
Like a lamp my feet to lead, Like a light my path to speed.

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Stand.

Gospel ----- Mark 2:23-28

Once on a Sabbath day, Jesus was passing through the grain fields, and his disciples began to pick heads of grain as they walked along. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath day?"

He replied to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and hungry (he and his companions)? He entered the house of

God in the time of Abiathar the high priest and ate the Bread of the Presence, which is not lawful for anyone to eat, except for the priests. He also gave some to his companions."

Then Jesus said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is the Lord even of the Sabbath."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ----- We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost

CW 190

1. We now implore God the Holy Ghost
For the true faith which we need the most,
That in our last moments he may befriend us
And, as homeward we journey, attend us.
Lord, have mercy!
2. Shine in our hearts, O most precious Light,
That we Jesus Christ may know aright,
Clinging to our Savior, whose blood has bought us,
Who again to our homeland has brought us.
Lord, have mercy!
3. O sacred Love, grace on us bestow,
Set our hearts with heav'nly fire aglow
That with hearts united we love each other,
Of one mind, in peace with ev'ry brother.
Lord, have mercy!
4. O highest Comfort in ev'ry need,
Grant that neither shame nor death we heed
That e'en then our courage may never fail us
When the foe shall accuse and assail us.
Lord, have mercy!

Sermon ----- Deuteronomy 5:12–15

God Desires That We Rest

Stand.

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 became 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.

Offering

Stand.

Prayer of the Church

*The minister offers the petitions and the congregation responds with “**Lord, have mercy.**”*

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

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of the Gospel here and around the world.



- M: For the faithful gathered here, that God would shine upon us and destroy the darkness our sin has caused in our lives, and thereby help us to shine the light of His grace and truth, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the Church, gathered and sanctified in God's truth; for Mark Schroeder, our Synod president; Dennis Klatt, our district president; and our pastor, that they would be guided and directed in their tasks; and for all vacant congregations, that God would send laborers into His harvest and sustain those whom He has sent, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For awareness of God's mercies that are new each day, that we may show forth grateful and generous hearts in the Church and the world, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For good weather, that we and all people may be well supplied, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For all public servants, especially Joseph Biden, our president, and Michael Parson, our governor, that they would fulfill their offices with wisdom and compassion, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For those who are afflicted in body or mind, [*especially _____*], as well as all who suffer in our midst, that the Lord would be their strength and song, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For all who commune this day, that they would receive our Lord's body and blood in repentance and faith for the forgiveness of sins and in the unity of a true confession, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously re-

ceive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and 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.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

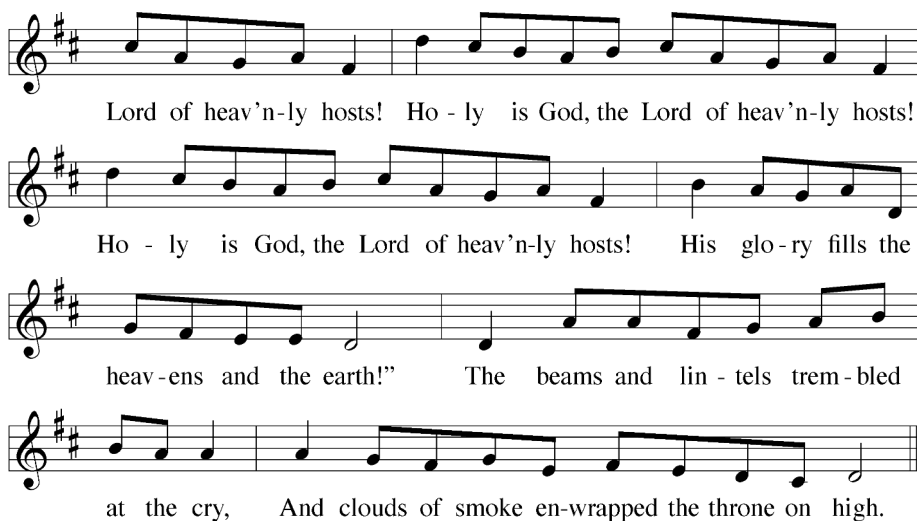
M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In perfect unity with his Son and the Holy Spirit, he is the source, guide, and goal of our lives now and always.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old

Sanctus, CW 267

I - sa - iah, might-y seer in days of old, The Lord of all in spir-it
did be-hold High on a loft - y throne, in splen-dor bright,
With robes that filled the tem-ple courts with light. A-bove the throne were
flam-ing ser - a-phim; Six wings had they, these mes-sen-gers of him.
With two they veiled their fac-es as was right, With two they hum-bly
hid their feet from sight, And with the oth-er two a - loft they soared;
One to the oth-er called and praised the Lord: "Ho - ly is God, the



Lord of heav'n-ly hosts! Ho - ly is God, the Lord of heav'n-ly hosts!

Ho - ly is God, the Lord of heav'n-ly hosts! His glo-ry fills the

heav-ens and the earth!" The beams and lin - tels trem - bled

at the cry, And clouds of smoke en-wrapped the throne on high.

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.



C: A - men.

O Christ, Lamb of God

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us your peace. A - men.

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 ----- Come unto Me, Ye Weary

CW 336

1. "Come unto me, ye weary, And I will give you rest."
O blessed voice of Jesus, Which comes to hearts oppressed!
It tells of benediction, Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that has no ending, Of love that cannot cease.
2. "Come unto me, ye wand'ers, And I will give you light."
O loving voice of Jesus, Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness, And we had lost our way;
But thou hast brought us gladness And songs at break of day.
3. "Come unto me, ye fainting, And I will give you life."
O cheering voice of Jesus, Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager; The fight is fierce and long;
But thou hast made us mighty And stronger than the strong.
4. "And whosoever cometh, I will not cast him out."
O patient love of Jesus, Which drives away our doubt,
Which, though we be unworthy Of love so great and free,
Invites us very sinners To come, dear Lord, to thee!

Hymn ----- I Know My Faith Is Founded

CW 403

1. I know my faith is founded On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord;
And this my faith confessing, Unmoved I stand upon his Word.
Man's reason cannot fathom The truth of God profound;
Who trusts in worldly wisdom Relies on shifting ground.
God's Word is all-sufficient, It makes divinely sure,
And, trusting in its wisdom, My faith shall rest secure.

2. Increase my faith, dear Savior, For Satan seeks by night and day
To rob me of this treasure And take my hope of bliss away.
But, Lord, with you beside me I shall be undismayed;
And led by your good Spirit, I shall be unafraid.
Abide with me, O Savior, A firmer faith bestow.
Then I shall bid defiance To ev'ry evil foe.

3. In faith, Lord, let me serve you; Though persecution, grief, and pain
Should seek to overwhelm me, Let me a steadfast trust retain.
And then at my departure, Lord, take me home to you,
And let me there inherit All you have promised me.
In life and death, Lord, keep me Until your heav'n I gain,
Where I by your great mercy The end of faith attain.

THANKSGIVING

Stand.

Thank the Lord



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Blessing

M: 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.



Be seated.

Hymn ----- Jerusalem the Golden

CW 214

1. Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest—
The sight of it refreshes The weary and oppressed.
I know not, oh, I know not What joys await us there,
What radiancy of glory, What bliss beyond compare.

2. They stand, those halls of Zion, All jubilant with song
And bright with many an angel And all the martyr throng.
The Prince is ever in them; The daylight is serene;
The pastures of the blessed Are ever rich and green.
3. There is the throne of David, And there, from care released,
The shout of them that triumph, The song of them that feast;
And they who with their leader Have conquered in the fight
Forever and forever Are clad in robes of white.
4. Oh, sweet and blessed country, The home of God's elect!
Oh, sweet and blessed country That eager hearts expect!
Jesus, in mercy bring us To that dear land of rest;
You are with God the Father And Spirit ever blest.

