

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn ----- What God Ordains Is Always Good

CW 429

1. What God ordains is always good; His will is just and holy.
As he directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.
My God indeed In ev'ry need
Knows well how he will shield me; To him, then, I will yield me.
2. What God ordains is always good; He never will deceive me.
He leads me in his righteous way And never will he leave me.
I take content What he has sent;
His hand that sends me sadness Will turn my tears to gladness.
3. What God ordains is always good; He is my friend and Father.
He will not let me suffer harm Though many storms may gather.
Now I may know Both joy and woe;
Some day I shall see clearly That he has loved me dearly.
4. What God ordains is always good. Though I the cup am drinking
Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.
For after grief God grants relief,
My heart with comfort filling And all my sorrow stilling.
5. What God ordains is always good; This truth remains unshaken.
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.
I fear no harm, For with his arm
He will embrace and shield me; So to my God I yield me.

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.



C: **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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.



C: Christ, have mer - cy.

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.



C: Lord, have mer - cy.

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



C: A - men.

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

O Lord, Our Lord



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



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.

Lord, keep your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities that, under your protection, we may serve you with true devotion and holy deeds; 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.

Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ----- Isaiah 53:10-12

Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him
and allow him to suffer.
Because you made his life a guilt offering, he will
see offspring.
He will prolong his days,
and the LORD's gracious plan will succeed in his
hand.
After his soul experiences anguish, he will see the
light of life.
He will provide satisfaction.

Through their knowledge of him, my just servant
will justify the many,
for he himself carried their guilt.
Therefore I will give him an allotment among the
great,
and with the strong he will share plunder,
because he poured out his life to death,
and he let himself be counted with rebellious sin-
ners.
He himself carried the sin of many,
and he intercedes for the rebels.

Anthem ----- Father Welcomes
Children's Choir

Refrain:

Father welcomes all his children To his fam'ly through his Son.
Father giving his salvation, Life forever has been won.

1. Little children, come to me, For my kingdom is of these.
Love and new life have I to give, Pardon for your sin.

2. In the water, in the Word, In his promise, be assured;
All who believe and are baptized Have been born again.

3. Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with him,
Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God.

Second Lesson ----- Hebrews 4:9-16

So there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God. For the one who enters God's rest also rests from his own work, just as God rested from his work. Therefore, let us make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will fall into the same pattern of disobedience.

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any double-edged sword. It penetrates even to the point of dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow, even being able to judge the ideas and thoughts of the heart. And there is no creature hidden from him, but everything is un-

covered and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we will give an account.

Therefore, since we have a great high priest, who has gone through the heavens, namely, Jesus the Son of God, let us continue to hold on to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin. So let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Verse of the Day

Ephesians 2:10a

Tune: CW 334

C: For we are all God's work - man - ship; In grace he
rich - ly does e - quip Those who in Christ have been
re - made To do good works, free, un - a - fraid.

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Stand.

Gospel ----- Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached him and said, "Teacher, we wish that you would do for us whatever we ask."

He said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?"

They said to him, "Promise that we may sit, one at your right and one at your left, in your glory."

But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I am going to drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am going to be baptized with?"

"We can," they replied.

Jesus told them, "You will drink the cup that I am going to drink and be baptized with the baptism that I am going to be baptized with. But to sit

at my right or at my left is not for me to give; rather, these places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they were angry with James and John.

Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But that is not the way it is to be among you. Instead, whoever wants to be great among you will be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you will be a 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."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ----- Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit

CW 181

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.

Sermon ----- Romans 6:23

What a Gift!

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 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: For deliverance from every fear and trouble, that our Lord would draw near to the brokenhearted and save the crushed in spirit; and that the praise of His name would continually be in our mouths, let us pray to the Lord:

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of the Gospel here and around the world.*

Lord, have mercy.

- M: For the Church, that she may proclaim boldly our Lord Jesus Christ, with whom all things are possible and by whose death and resurrection the kingdom has been opened, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For Michigan Lutheran Seminary and our other schools, that they may continue to be places where new generations of pastors and teachers are trained to serve in the pattern of their Savior, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the servants of Christ's Church, that they would be spared from love of wealth and fear of their difficult task and be steeled to set aside every comfort for Christ's sake and for the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For our homes, that every household would find eternal rest in Jesus and His Word; and for fathers and mothers, that they would be diligent in teaching their children and be preserved from hardness of heart, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For our nation and its leaders, that in true wisdom they would promote honest labor, temporal protection and fitting enjoyment under the sun; that all Christians would serve Christ in their citizenship and callings; and that our hearts would be occupied not with the vanity of riches that perish, but with the true joy of Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the brokenhearted, the crushed in spirit, the sick and those in need, [*especially _____,*] that God would hear the cry of His righteous and deliver them out of all their troubles, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For all who draw near to God's throne of grace, especially those who eat and drink the blessed Sacrament this day, that holding fast to our High Priest and His confession, we may receive mercy and find grace to help in

time of need, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, Your Son left His earthly home to do His saving work, and so He knows what it is to leave family behind. Comfort Your children who have left home and loved ones for the sake of the Gospel. Set them firmly into the family of the Church, and sustain them in the hope of eternal life in the age to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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.



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. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

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

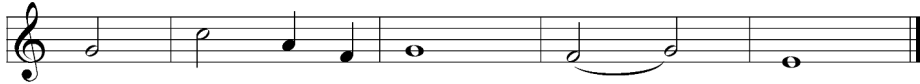
C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

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 hymn:

Hymn ----- Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

CW 377

1. Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, With exultation springing,
And, with united heart and voice And holy rapture singing,
Proclaim the wonders God has done, How his right arm the vict'ry won.
How dearly it has cost him!
2. Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay; Death brooded darkly o'er me.
Sin was my torment night and day; In sin my mother bore me.
Yet deep and deeper still I fell; Life had become a living hell,
So firmly sin possessed me.
3. My own good works availed me naught, No merit they attaining;
My will against God's judgment fought, No hope for me remaining.
My fears increased till sheer despair Left naught but death to be my share
And hell to be my sentence.

4. But God beheld my wretched state Before the world's foundation,
And, mindful of his mercies great, He planned my soul's salvation.
A Father's heart he turned to me, Sought my redemption fervently;
He gave his dearest treasure.
5. He spoke to his beloved Son: "Tis time to have compassion.
Then go, bright Jewel of my crown, And bring mankind salvation.
From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they
May live with you forever."
6. The Son obeyed his Father's will, Was born of virgin mother,
And, God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother.
No garb of pomp or pow'r he wore; A servant's form like mine he bore
To lead the devil captive.
7. To me he spoke, "Hold fast to me-I am your rock and castle.
Your ransom I myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle.
For I am yours, your friend divine, And evermore you shall be mine;
The foe shall not divide us.
8. "The foe shall shed my precious blood, Me of my life bereaving.
All this I suffer for your good; Be steadfast and believing.
Life shall from death the vict'ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin,
And you are blest forever.
9. "Now to my Father I depart, The Holy Spirit sending
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, My help to you extending.
He will a source of comfort be, Teach you to know and follow me,
And in all truth will guide you.
10. "What I on earth have lived and taught Be all your life and teaching;
So shall my kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching.
Take care that no one's man-made laws
Should e'er destroy the gospel's cause. This final word I leave you."

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 - jice 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.



C: A - - men.

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 ----- Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

CW 484

1. 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.
2. 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.

3. **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.**

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