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LUTHERAN CHURCH

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GOD'S GLORY AND GRACE
IN JESUS CHRIST!*

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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“MAKING GOD FIRST THROUGH HOPE, GROWTH & TOGETHERNESS”

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Extended Prelude & Words of Greeting

Opening Song in The Spirit “The Lord is My Light”

Bouknight

(All are invited to join the Worship Leaders in singing each song in our service today!)

vs. 1 **The Lord is my light and my salvation, The Lord is my light and my salvation,
The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?**

ref: **Whom shall I fear, whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; whom shall I fear?**

vs. 3 **Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
Oh, wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage; He shall strengthen thy heart. (ref)**

Litany Seeing & Believing God’s Glory & Grace – written based on Psalm 66

Pastor: Today, we celebrate and believe and see God’s glory and grace are all we want, for the Lord is our light, and our salvation, so we worship, in the name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: People of God: Come, see, what God has done. Come, hear what God is sending us out to do. God is awesome, and has turned death into life. Let us take a moment of silence to confess our sins, and those times we have failed to trust all we believe and see. (*silence for reflection*) Friends in Christ: Live today in God’s glory and grace in these words: Jesus saves; Jesus forgives you all your sins. May we trust and rejoice for the Lord never looks away from us. Believe and see anew; rejoice and sing, for God is so good!

Song of Trust Anew “God Is So Good”

**God is so good. God is so good.
God is so good. He’s so good to me.**

Pastor: Friends in faith: God’s goodness has worked miracles and God has brought us back to himself. Let us rejoice and sing: God’s goodness and glory and grace shine, in faith we are sure and strong!

Song of Trust Anew “God Is So Good”

**God gives us strength. God gives us strength.
God gives us strength. He’s so good to me.**

Pastor: Friends who trust God's goodness: Listen to God's Word and follow him always. Let us trust The One who graces us first. Sing praises! Our hope alone is in God's steadfast love!

Song of Trust Anew "God Is So Good"
God gives us hope. God gives us hope.
God gives us hope. He's so good to me.

Prayer of the Day

All: Loving God, you faithfully provide us with more than we thought possible. Make yourself known to us even more clearly, through your gifts of glory and grace. By your Holy Spirit again today, reveal to us what truly matters most. As we explore our true net worth is in you alone; renew our faith in your goodness, to believe and see anew, all good gifts are sent from heaven above, placed into our care. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Children's Message & "Jesus Loves Me"

Percival & Warner

Hearing The Word of God

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 53:4-12

(all read bold print)

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. **But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.** All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken from the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. **The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.** Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. (New Revised Standard Version)

Special Music

"Amazing Grace"

arr. H. Sorenson

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

(all read bold print)

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And Jesus said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, **"You do not know what you are asking.** Are you able to

drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; **but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be servant of all.** For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (New Revised Standard Version)

Statement of Faith based on Revelation 21:5-7

Pastor: As God's children, we trust God the good steward and God's grace first love us and then fill us with countless blessings. In thanks to God's faithfulness, we believe and we see anew, and we now boldly proclaim our faith, making God and our neighbors first.

All: **God who sits upon the throne says, "Behold, I make all things new. Write these words for they are trustworthy and true. It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the fountain the water of life without payment. They who conquer shall have their heritage, and I will be their God, and they will be my children." Amen.**

Sermon **"What Kind of Glory & Grace ..."**

Pastor Jamie Thompson

Song of Hope & Grace **"This Is My Father's World"**

Babcock & Sheppard

vs. 1 **This is my Father's world, And to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings, The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought,
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.**

vs. 2 **This is my Father's world; The birds their carols raise;
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass, I hear him pass;
He speaks to me ev'rywhere.**

vs. 3 **This is my Father's world; Oh, let me not forget,
That, though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world; Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King, let the heavens ring;
God reigns, let the earth be glad!**

Sharing Our Needs and Joys with God in Prayer

Pastor: ...as we pray to you, Jesus, ...

All: Bless us, to believe and to see anew, all your glory and your grace.

Pastor: All these things and whatever else you see we need, grant to us we pray, for into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

We Receive the Gifts of Life from God in Holy Communion

The Words of Institution & The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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.**

Song During Holy Communion "Revelation Song"

Riddle

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, holy is He.

Sing a new song to Him who sits on Heaven's mercy seat. (*repeat*)

ref: **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is, and is to come.
With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings.
You are my everything, and I will adore You.**

**Clothed in rainbows of living color,
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder.
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be,
To You, the only wise King. (*refrain*)**

**Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, at the mention of Your name.
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water,
Such a marv'lous mystery. (*refrain*)**

Strengthened to Live Today, and All Our Days, In The Grace of Christ

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace, this day, and on into life everlasting.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ, The Lord of life. Amen.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace, as you believe and see God's glory and grace. In the name of The Father, and of The Son, and of The Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Let us go in the peace of Christ, celebrating the love of God, and serving the Lord of life.

All: Thanks be to God!

Going Anew In Grace

“Build Your Kingdom Here”

Gilkeson

- vs. 1 **Come set Your rule and reign in our hearts again.
Increase in us, we pray. Unveil why we're made.
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope,
Like wildfire in our very souls;
Holy Spirit, come, invade us now.
We are Your church; We need Your pow'r in us.**
- vs. 2 **We seek Your kingdom first. We hunger and we thirst;
Refuse to waste our lives, for You're our joy and prize.
To see the captives' hearts released;
The hurt, the sick, the poor, at peace.
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause.
We are Your church; We pray, revive this earth.**
- ref: **Build Your kingdom here; Let the darkness fear.
Show Your mighty hand; Heal our streets and land.
Set Your church on fire; Win this nation back.
Change the atmosphere; Build Your kingdom here, we pray!**
- vs. 3 **Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r, reaching the near and far.
No force of hell can stop Your beauty, changing hearts.
You made us for much more than this;
Awake the kingdom seed in us.
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ.
We are Your church; We are the hope on earth. (refrain)**

Postlude

*Confirmation Class for 9th grade students meets at 11 a.m. today.
Faith Quest Sunday School meets today, and yet,
does not meet next Sunday due to the MEA weekend.*

*Join us next Sunday, October 24, The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
“Open Eyes, Open Hearts, In Glory And Grace!”
Worship includes a Children's Message, a Sermon, and Holy Communion!
Join us in-person or via our live stream efforts on our Facebook page, under “videos.”*

*As we share worship in this way, we are seeking volunteers to assist with greeting, ushering, serving communion, live streaming, AV ministry, set up, clean up, worship leaders, and more!
You can access details and ways to sign up on our website and Facebook page! Thank you!*

All who proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, are welcome to God's table of grace as we share Holy Communion. Communion is now offered once again during worship, as we share pre-packaged single servings of communion, including a wafer and grape juice.

*Carefully pull back the first tab to expose the host, the body of Christ, given for you;
then pull back the second tab to expose the blood of Christ, shed for you!*

Please ask for assistance or clarification as you are served!

*For those sharing their generosity today, we thank you for your faithful giving!
Offering is collected in baskets by the ushers as you exit the building.*

For those who are not able to join us for worship, you are invited to receive drive-through communion, available Sundays, 10:15-10:30 a.m. at the front curb near the church entrance.

*From everyone on every level of leadership and service,
we continue to pray for you and to give thanks to God for each of you!*

Please contact Pastor Jamie if he can serve you in any way: jamie.thompson@lordoflifemn.org

*We pray The Holy Spirit breathes anew on us to be God's people and to be God's Church,
as together we make known and we trust anew*

*God's gifts of hope, peace, justice, clarity, calm, and comfort forever break forth in new ways
for you and your loved ones, today, and as we share every gift of God's light, love, and grace!*

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"WHAT KIND OF GLORY AND GRACE DO YOU WANT?"
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – OCTOBER 17, 2021
ISAIAH 53:4-12; MARK 10:35-45

Promises for your pocket or purse - Take notes and carry them with you.

Questions. ‘There are no bad questions,’ is a comment we hear more and more. For many of us, we sometimes can be insecure, and not even bother to ask. Asking questions is how we find out what we need to know, how we let others know what we are looking for. Of course, you must ask what you are going to do, if your question is answered, and what if you do not like the answer? Today in Mark’s reading, Jesus’ followers ask, ‘When you come into your glory, Jesus, will you grant one of us to sit at your right and one at your left?’ ‘Do you know what you are asking?’ ‘Do you really want to know the answer?’ ‘Is this really the kind of glory you want?’ It is easy for the disciples, for us, to not always know what we are asking, yet we must never stop asking the Lord of our life questions. As we continue to explore our net worth is truly in God’s grace alone, let us forever ask questions of the One who may not always have the answers we seek, yet abundantly blesses us to believe and to see Jesus is our Answer to more glory and grace than we could ever desire!

1. Questions are how we find out what we want to know. Isaiah 53:5,6,7,8,etc; Mark 10:35-36
 - A. Sometimes we can be insecure and not even bother to ask the questions we seek answers to.
 - i. Sometimes people feel their questions are bad questions.
 - ii. Sometimes people feel they should already know the answer.
 - B. There is nothing wrong with asking. We must never stop asking questions of the Lord. Who else do you know who has all the answers, at least as many answers as there are for now?
2. Do you know what it is you want to ask? What it is you want to know? Do you know what you want? Isaiah 53:10-11; Mark 10:35-38
 - A. Sometimes we do not know what we want or what we are looking for, so we do not know how to ask.
 - B. The disciples get a bad reputation from sharing their desire and asking their question.
 - i. At least they know what they want, and they ask for it.
 - ii. Perhaps in many respects, through most reflection, the disciples come off as selfish. What is wrong with wanting glory, wanting to get as close as possible?

C. Jesus knows what he wants. He is not afraid to ask. What's wrong with Jesus asking if we can drink the same cup, share the same baptism, be a servant of all, what kind of glory we really want, how close we really want to get, if we know our true net worth is in God's grace, if we really want to believe and see?

3. We must never be afraid to ask questions, especially in our spiritual walk. As we ask questions, as we hear Jesus asking us his questions, we will believe and see anew, Jesus is our Answer to more glory and grace than we could ever desire!

Isaiah 53:4-5,8,11; Mark 10:43-45

A. Jesus knows all there is to know about us. In asking questions, he wants to see how we see ourselves, others, and our God?

B. As we make God and our neighbors first, let us boldly ask what it is we really want, desire, what we long to believe and to see?

C. Let us never be afraid to ask Jesus if we can come closer to him, come sit with him, discover more about ourselves and our God, to believe and see even more of what God is doing, more glory and grace and life and hope than we could ever desire!