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20th Sunday after Pentecost

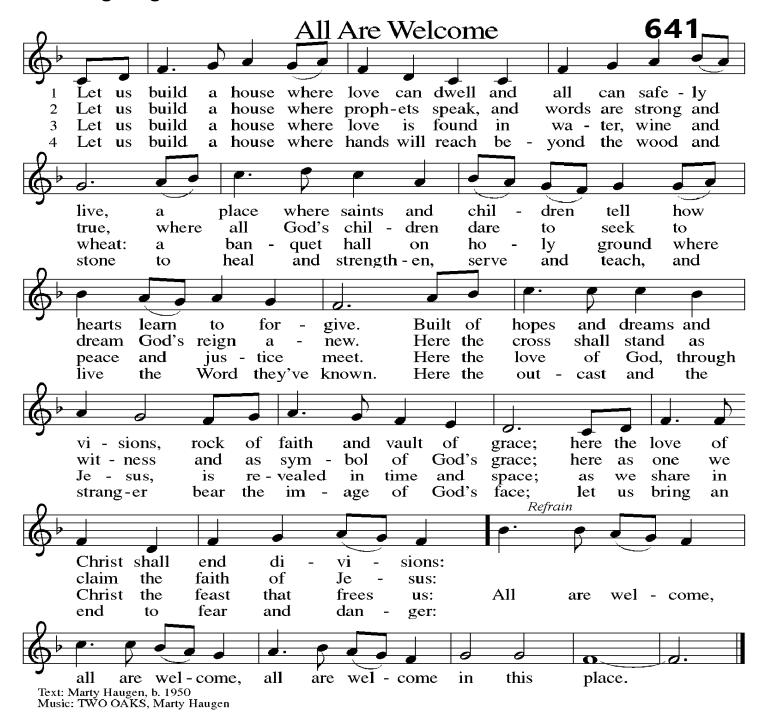
October 6, 2024

NOTE: Hearing assist devices are available in the narthex for worship services. Please see an Usher or Greeter if needed.

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

*Gathering Song:



Remembering that Jesus the Christ died on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins, and was raised on the third day giving us eternal life. We continue with confession and forgiveness.

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing, in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for Reflection

Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \oplus Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **C:** Amen.

* SHARING THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

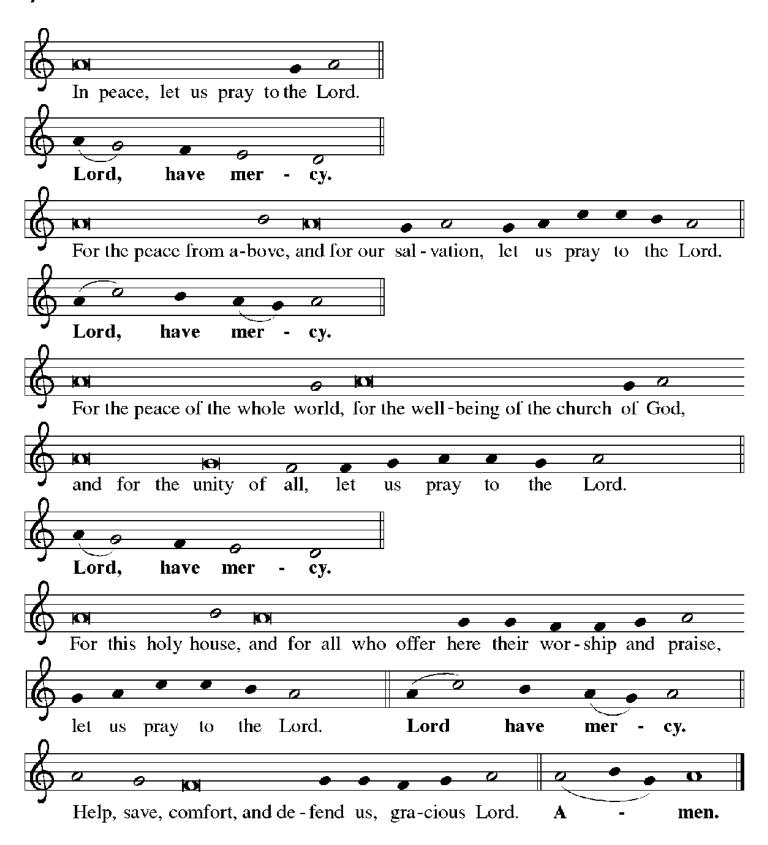
C: And also with you.

GREETING (Please be seated)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie:



Hymn of Praise: Glory to God



Prayer of the Day: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Bell Choir: "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Children's Sermon

WORD

The 1st lesson is a reading from Genesis, the 2nd chapter.

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord. C: Thank be to God.

Psalm 8: (Read Responsively)

O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses.

what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

The 2nd lesson is a reading from Hebrews, the 1st and 2nd chapters.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also

created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet. "Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation:



*The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Some Pharisees came, and to test [lesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But lesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when lesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord. C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Protecting Others Pastor David Viles

Hymn of the Day:



* Apostle's Creed - Please stand. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

Offering: We worship God by giving back a little of what he has first given us. God calls us by the Holy Spirit to care for all of God's people and creation through these gifts. Through this small sacrifice, God's love is shown through us, to those who are in need.

*(Please Stand) Offertory: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Offertory Prayer: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

* The Prayers of Intercession: The congregation's response to "God of grace," is "Hear our prayer."

*The Lord's Prayer: 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.

SENDING

*Blessing: (Please Stand)

Pastor David

God all mighty, God most merciful \oplus bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

*Sending Song:



Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Presiding Minister Pastor David Viles

Organist / Keyboard Zola Finch Song Leader Kathy Meller

Acolyte Morgan Schroeder

Audio / Video Technician Dan Tschirgi Reader Frank Pascoe Council Frank Pascoe

Greeters David Russell & Trish Russell

Altar Flowers Cynthia Loesch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Annual Chili Supper will be held this afternoon with serving to begin at 3:30 p.m. Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Sandwiches and delicious Desserts are all on the menu. Also remember to stop by the Country Store. Invite your friends and neighbors for a wonderful meal and great fellowship.

The Bell Choir will be performing "Let There Be Peace on Earth" today.

Children's Sunday School: will be held right after the Children's Sermon

A memorial service for Donna Viles will be held next Saturday at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Burial will follow at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery. A luncheon will be served in the church hall following the graveside service. All are welcome.

Margaret Circle will meet at St. Paul's at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, October 22, 2024. Ruth Stubinger will host and Helen Girard will lead us in the study of God's Holy Word. All women and their friends are welcome!

Schedule for Online Services:

Services are at 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings on FaceBook Live:

https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsChurchOnTheHill

All services can be viewed at any time on our St. Paul's website:

http://www.stpaulslutheranlohman.org just scroll down to the middle section and click on the service of your choice under "In Case You Missed It." Below that is another section for current and past bulletins.

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