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**October 6, 2024**

**9:30 AM Worship Service**

*The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*



**ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY:**  
Martin & Lucy Schlotte,  
in honor of their  
70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
(October 10<sup>th</sup>)



## Welcome and Opening Prayer

### Opening Song: Blest Are They

LSB #982  
vs. 1-5

Blest are they, the poor in spirit;  
Theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow;  
They shall be consoled. Refrain

*Refrain:* Rejoice and be glad!  
Blessèd are you, holy are you.  
Rejoice and be glad!  
Yours is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, the lowly ones;  
They shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they who hunger and thirst;  
They shall have their fill. *Refrain*

Blest are they who show mercy;  
Mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart;  
They shall see God! *Refrain*

Blest are they who seek peace;  
They are the children of God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith;  
The glory of God is theirs. *Refrain*

Blest are you who suffer hate,  
All because of Me.  
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom;  
Shine for all to see. *Refrain*

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## Confession and Absolution

P: The fruit of the Spirit is patience,

C: **BUT WE HAVE SNAPPED AT OTHERS AND QUESTIONED YOUR WISE TIMING.**

P: Your Word instructs us to "be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer." *Romans 12:12*

C: **FORGIVE US FOR OUR LACK OF JOY, PATIENCE, AND FAITHFULNESS. FORGIVE US FOR OUR FAILURE TO ENDURE TEMPTATIONS AND AFFLICTIONS.**

P: "[God] is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." *2 Peter 3:9*

C: **I HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN MY THOUGHTS, WORDS, AND DEEDS. I REPENT OF MY SINS AND ASK YOU TO FORGIVE ME OF ALL MY TRASGRESSIONS.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Share Grace

### Old Testament Reading

Psalm 128

- 1 Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.
- 3 Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table.
- 4 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.
- 5 The LORD bless you from Zion! May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life!
- 6 May you see your children's children! Peace be upon Israel!

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle Reading

Ephesians 4:25-32

- 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.
- 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,
- 27 and give no opportunity to the devil.
- 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.
- 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.
- 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.
- 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.
- 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16

- 2 And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"
- 3 He answered them, "What did Moses command you?"
- 4 They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away."
- 5 And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment.
- 6 But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.'
- 7 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife,
- 8 and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh.
- 9 What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."
- 10 And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter.
- 11 And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her,
- 12 and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."
- 13 And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them.
- 14 But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God.
- 15 Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."
- 16 And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Message Song: Wait On You

**Chorus:** I'm going to wait on You

I'm going to wait on You

I've tasted Your goodness

I'll trust in Your promise

(REPEAT)

I'm going to (wait on You)

**Bridge:** Wait on the Lord

Wait on the Lord

He will renew your strength

So wait I say

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*The Fruit of the Spirit* - Pastor Doug Widger

**PATIENCE**

## Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

## Series Song: Fruit of the Spirit

The fruit of the Spirit;

The Spirit Gives love, joy, peace

The Spirit Gives patience, kindness, goodness and faithfulness,

The Spirit gives gentleness

The Spirit gives self-control

against such things there's no law.

Let's walk in the Spirit

## Connection Points

## Offering

### Handbell Choir: "Abide with Me"

## Communion

### How He Loves

*Verse 1:* He is jealous for me loves like a hurricane  
I am a tree bending beneath  
The weight of His wind and mercy  
When all of a sudden I am unaware of  
These afflictions eclipsed by glory  
I realize just how beautiful You are  
And how great Your affections are for me

*Pre-Chorus:* Oh how He loves us so  
Oh how He loves us  
How He loves us so  
**(REPEAT)**

*Chorus:* (Yeah) He loves us  
Oh how He loves us  
Oh how He loves us  
Oh how He loves  
**(REPEAT)**

*Verse 2:* We are His portion and He is our prize  
Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes  
If grace is an ocean we're all sinking  
So Heaven meets earth  
Like an unforeseen kiss  
And my heart turns violently inside of my chest  
I don't have time to maintain these regrets  
When I think about the way that

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## The Heart Of Worship

When the music fades  
All is stripped away  
And I simply come  
Longin' just to bring  
Something that's of worth  
That will bless Your heart

*Pre-Chorus:* I'll bring You more than a song  
For a song in itself  
Is not what You have required  
You search much deeper within  
Through the way things appear  
You're looking into my heart

*Chorus 1:* I'm coming back to the heart of worship  
And it's all about You,  
It's all about You, Jesus  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it  
When it's all about You,  
It's all about You, Jesus  
  
King of endless worth  
No one could express  
How much You deserve  
Though I'm weak and poor  
All I have is Yours  
Every single breath

**PRE-CHORUS**

**CHORUS 1**

*Chorus 2:* I'm comin' back to the heart of worship  
'Cause it's all about You  
It's all about You, Jesus  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it  
'Cause it's all about You  
It's all about You, Jesus  
All about You, Jesus

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**Precious Lord, Take My Hand**

**LSB #739  
vs. 1-3**

Precious Lord, take my hand,  
Lead me on, let me stand;  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night,  
Lead me on to the light.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When my way grows drear,  
Precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call;  
Hold my hand lest I fall.  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near  
And the day is almost gone,  
At the river I stand;  
Guide my feet, hold my hand,  
Take my hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

# Prayers of the Church / Lord's Prayer

## Ways to Follow Jesus

### Benediction

P: "And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." *Philippians 4:7*  
Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD.

### Sending Song: Jesus Shall Reign

LSB #832  
vs. 1-4

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,  
And endless praises crown His head;  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise  
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

People and realms of ev'ry tongue  
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;  
And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns:  
The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains,  
The weary find eternal rest,  
And all who suffer want are blest.

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### COMMUNION NOTES

A traveling tray will be available for those who desire it.

#### **We ask ourselves questions of examination:**

- Do I believe that I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
- Do I believe that Jesus is my Savior and that through faith in Him my sins are forgiven?
- Do I believe that in this meal I receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus, for the forgiveness of my sins, not just a symbol of it?
- Do I intend, with the help of God, to live a Christian life?

***We welcome to the altar all who answer yes to these questions and believe as we do.***

Those who have never communed with us before are asked to speak to the Pastor or Elder before the service. If you're not ready to participate in the Lord's Supper with us, please feel free to come forward. Folding of your arms will indicate to the Pastors your desire to receive a blessing.





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*The Lord*  
IS MY  
STRENGTH  
AND MY  
*Song*

— PSALM 118:14 —

*Acolyte*  
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**OCTOBER 6 | AT 12:00PM**  
FOR CHILDREN ENTERING 3RD—12TH GRADE

**IN THE SANCTUARY**

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**OCTOBER 6TH & 20TH**

12:15PM | MR2



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~ Sundays @ 10:45 a.m. ~

- ◆ Life Groups - Gym
- ◆ Grace Youth (Grades 9-12) - Youth Shed
- ◆ Grace Youth (Grades 7-8) - Meeting Room 4
- ◆ Grace Kids (Preschool 4's/Kinder, Grades 1-6) - Preschool Wing Classrooms
- ◆ Babies/Toddlers - Nursery

**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes & Life Groups
- 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Fireside Room
- 12:00 PM Acolyte Training - Sanctuary
- 12:15 PM Early Communion Class for Grades 5-6 - Meeting Room 2

**Tuesday, October 8, 2024**

- 9:30 AM Braille (Smiths' Group) - Braille Room: MR1
- 7:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting - Meeting Room 2
- 7:30 PM Community Basketball - Gym

**Wednesday, October 9, 2024**

- 6:00 PM Embrace Life Meeting - Meeting Room 20
- 6:30 PM Leadership Classes - Meeting Room 4
- 6:30 PM ESL Classes
- 6:30 PM Joybells Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

**Thursday, October 10, 2024**

- 12:00 PM Grace Seniors Lunch: Oktoberfest & Chair Aerobics - Fireside Room
- 6:00 PM Braille (Sandra's Braille Buddies) - Braille Room: MR1

**Saturday, October 12, 2024**

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild

**Sunday, October 13, 2024**

- 9:30 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM Bible Classes & Life Groups
- 12:00 PM Spanish Worship Service - Fireside Room
- 12:00 PM Gospel Goody Bag Stuffing & Pizza - Gym
- 12:00 PM New Member Lunch/Orientation - Meeting Room 2

**ELDERS AND THEIR ASSIGNED MEMBERS**

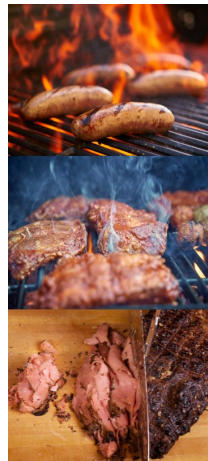
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14. Press GIVE, and you are done.

**Puzzle Exchange**

Bring a puzzle and exchange it for another! If you don't have a puzzle, just take one and return when completed. Located in the NARTHEX.



OCTOBER 10TH | 12PM-1:30PM

**OKTOBERFEST & CHAIR AEROBICS**

Lunch is provided (brats and more)! Please let Serena know if you can host! RSVP by 10/7. Bring a friend!