



St. John's Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 24, 2021 | 10:30am

Welcome to St. John's. We invite you to join us as an active participant in the worship of God.

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

LUTHERINGS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

In the name of the Father,

and of the ✝ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*HYMN AT THE PROCESSION

Praise to the Lord

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

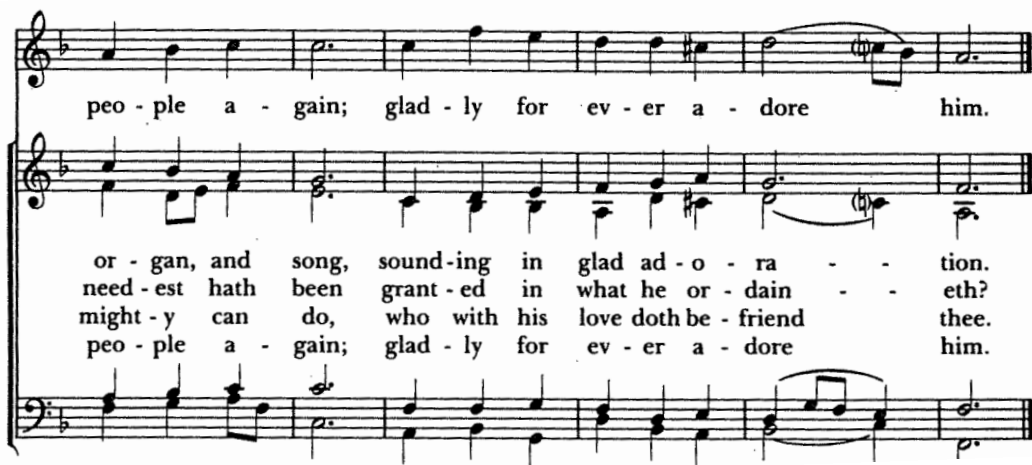
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
 dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound - from his

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
 saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
 ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - tion.
 need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - - eth?
 might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

*GREETING

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

*KYRIE & GLORIA



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



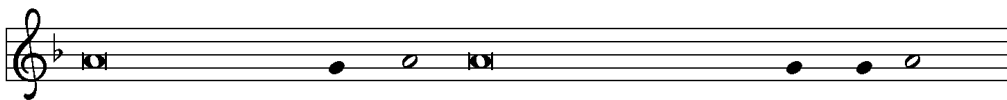
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



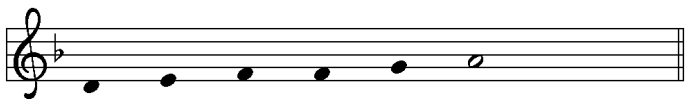
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this ho-ly house, and for all who of-fer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



A - men.



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's
3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -
au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes
name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will breaks forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - might - y,
sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to
liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we
ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.
ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.
God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance.

Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 31:7-9

A reading from Jeremiah.

THUS says the Lord:
Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O Lord, your people,
the remnant of Israel.”
⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.
⁹With weeping they shall come,
and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sung by the choir.

WHEN the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
 then were we like those who dream.
²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts
 of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for
 them." ³The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.
⁴Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negrev.
⁵Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
 will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

SECOND READING

HEBREWS 7:23-28

A reading from Hebrews.

THE former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by
 death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently,
 because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save
 those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for
 them.

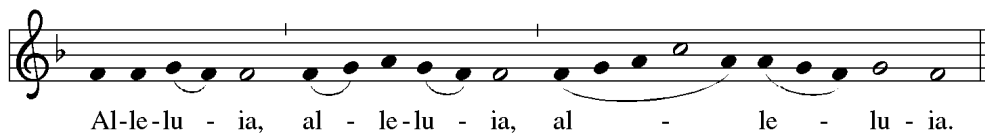
²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless,
 undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other
 high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins,
 and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered
 himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but
 the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been
 made perfect forever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

The assembly faces the center aisle to welcome Christ in the Gospel.



***GOSPEL**

MARK 10:46-52

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaues, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵²Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

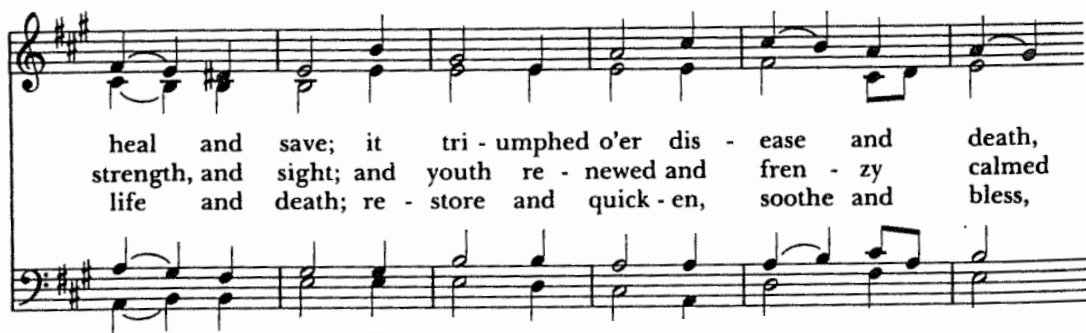
SERMON

PASTOR PEDERSON

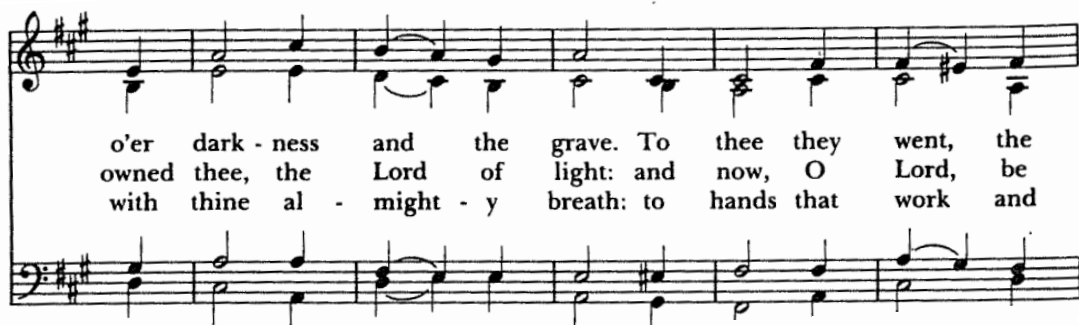
***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Thine arm, O Lord

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of



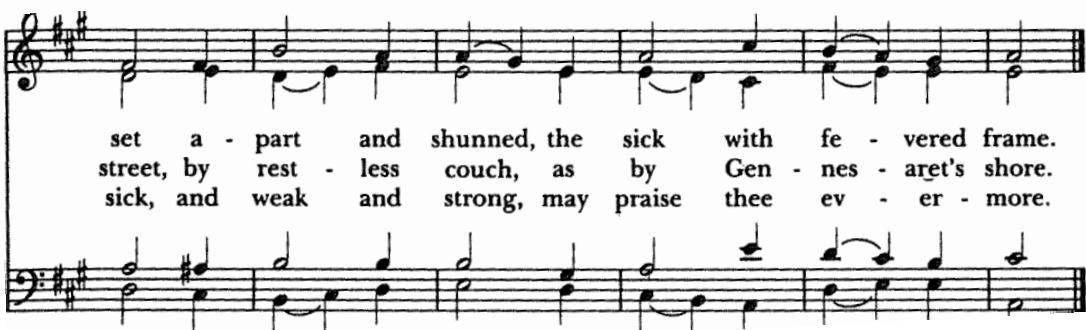
heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,



o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and



blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heav - en - ly lore, that whole and



set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

*APOSTLES' CREED

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.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each intercession ends with these words:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

*PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

*OFFERING

*OFFERTORY ANTHEM

SCHUMANN

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee. Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . *Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding:* we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The musical score is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are connected by slurs, indicating a continuous melody. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.
To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever.
 Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, take your place at the feast.

All who believe that Jesus is present in the bread and wine, forgiving sin and promising eternal life, are welcome to the Table of the Lord.

LAMB OF GOD

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

MUSIC AT THE DISTRIBUTION

ANTHEM

The Beatitudes

STOPFORD

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with power of his endless life, now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

***BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

***HYMN AT THE PROCESSION**

Amazing Grace

1 Amazing grace (how sweet the sound)
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come:
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease:
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.

6 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
the sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below,
will be forever mine.

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Toccata in d

BELIER

Coffee/Fellowship Time

Our thanks to Sarah Maitland and Christine Kovac for hosting the fellowship time following worship today in the Welcome Room. This time of hospitality is important as we connect with one another over coffee and treats. The Welcome Room is located directly beneath the sanctuary.

Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Duane C. Pederson
Organists	Nathan K. Lively, Marina Zelenz
Worship Assistant	Janet Segerdell
Reader	Eric Lane
Acolytes	Isaac Ylitalo, Karina Kapoor
Communion Assistants	Michele Taylor, Susan Ylitalo
Usher	Eric Lane
Counters	Philip & Regina Allopena Christine Leventhal
Altar Committee	Janet Segerdell
Little Free Pantry	Beth Grazulewicz

Livestream Sponsors

Today we thank Tim Brumbaugh, Jack & Lynne Chnowski, and Don & Louise Clemmenson for sponsoring the Sunday livestream of our worship by their gifts to the Media Fund.

Music at St. John's

In memory of those who have died during the Covid-19 pandemic, St. John's choir will perform **Faure's Requiem on Sunday, October 31, at 5pm.** The Requiem will be sung in a candle-lit space. The Requiem, though only about thirty-five minutes in length, will allow us to reflect and remember those lost. If you have names of family or friends who have died this past year, please email names to Nathan by Friday, October 29.

St. John's will be hosting a **Messiah sing-along on Sunday, December 5, at 5pm.** Bring your Messiah scores and sing along from your seats or just sit back and enjoy the music that will set the holiday tone. The concert will end with the iconic *Hallelujah Chorus*.

The Little Free Pantry

Sign up now to volunteer to maintain the Little Free Pantry – clean, organize, and restock. Go to [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AE2EABFEC34-help to sign up](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FA9AE2EABFEC34-help+to+sign+up).

Consider donating these specific food/toiletry items. Please donate *only* the items below.

Food List – The Little Free Pantry		
Donate items that do not expire easily with undamaged packaging. Focus on low sugar, low sodium, and whole grain items.		
Beans (canned or dry)	Brown Rice	Unsweetened Apple Sauce
Peanut or Nut Butters	Quinoa	Spices/Salt/Pepper
Rolled Oats	Nuts or Seeds	Whole Grain Cold Cereal
Canned Fruit in Juice	Shelf Stable Powdered Milk	Coffee or Tea
Canned Soup, Stew, Broth	Whole Grain Pasta	Canola or Olive Oil
Canned Meat (tuna/chicken/salmon)	Low Sodium Pasta Sauce	Canned Vegetables
Toiletry List – The Little Free Pantry		
Shampoo/Conditioner	Soap	Feminine Hygiene Products
Body Wash	Diapers	Dish Soap
Toilet Paper	Laundry Soap	Paper Towels
Dental Floss	Toothpaste and Brushes	