



Risen Christ Lutheran Church

21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2024 9:30am

**REMEMBER, YOU ARE IN GOD'S SANCTUARY. AS YOU ENTER,
PLEASE SIT QUIETLY, PRAY, AND READ THROUGH THIS
WORSHIP FOLDER TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP.**



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ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION – (2nd & 4th Sundays) We believe: that Christ’s body and blood are truly present for forgiveness and spiritual strength, that God desires our sincere confession, continuous seeking and giving forgiveness and, that being genuine in taking Communion so that we not harm ourselves by taking it in an unworthy manner. If you believe the above, are a baptized believer who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and have examined yourself, you are welcome to commune with us. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the “individual” and “common” cups of wine. (Note: White Grape Juice is in the center of the tray.)

OFFERING – Through the offerings of His faithful people, our Lord provides for the ongoing work of His Church. If you are a visitor, we are glad that you came to be served by the Lord this day. If you choose to contribute to the ongoing work of the Gospel, we give thanks that God has moved you to contribute toward the work of sharing the Gospel here in Plymouth and around the world! You can also take advantage of Online Giving by visiting www.RisenChrist.info

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS – Welcome and thank you for coming. Brochures can be found at each door. Please complete a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. Pastor will send you a welcome card. Please indicate that you “desire” a call for any further contact.

Large Print Bulletins – Available from an usher.

Listening Assistance Devices – Available at the Sound Booth.

Parent Room – A row of seating and plenty of area for standing or walking is available in the Welcome Area/Lobby (“Narthex”)

For Children – Children’s Book Cart for Worship: Available in the Welcome Area.

As We Gather – Today, we are called upon to “seek good, and not evil, that you may live.” The rich young man came to Jesus, calling Him “Good Teacher.” The response of Jesus is meant to jar us—to make us stop and think. “Why do you call Me good?” He asks. Then He drops a hint, saying, “No one is good except God alone.” The good we are to seek is not good works, but God. How did Jesus say it? “No one comes to the Father except through Me.” We seek good when we come and follow Jesus!

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation and Opening Sentences

Amos 5:6, 14; Mark 10:18

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C** Amen.

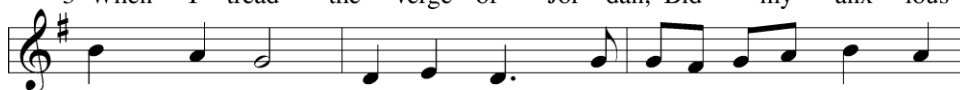
P Seek the Lord and live. **C** **Seek good, and not evil, that you may live.**

P Why do you call me good? **C** **No one is good except God alone.**

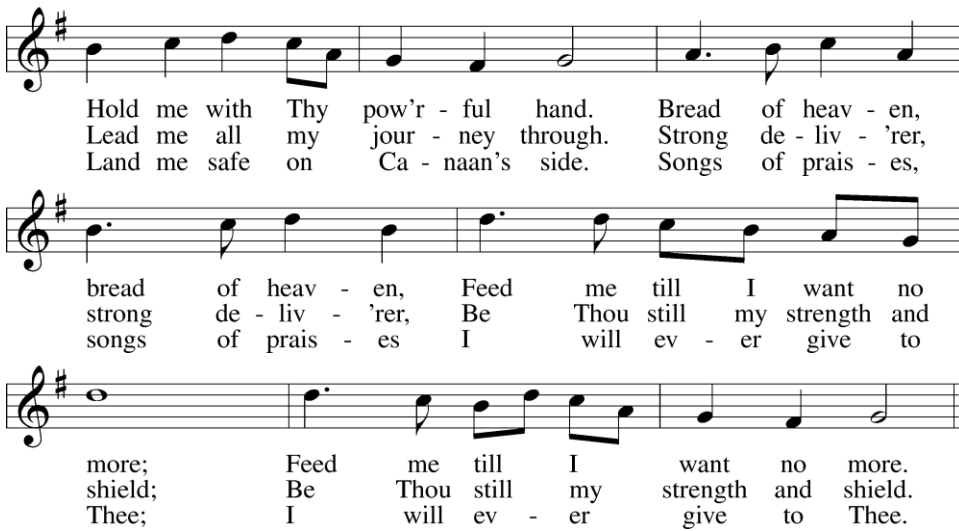
Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer



1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain Whence the heal - ing
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
stream doth flow; Let the fi - ery, cloud - y pil - lar
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - 'rer,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,
bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
strong de - liv - 'rer, Be Thou still my strength and
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to
more; shield; Thee; Feed me till I want no more.
Be Thou still my strength and shield.
I will ev - er give to Thee.

Old Testament Reading

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

⁶Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel, ⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!

¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good, and not evil, that you may live; and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalms 91:11; 103:1

C He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Epistle

Hebrews 3:12–19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

Seek Ye First

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you!
Allelu, alleluia!
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, alleluia!
3. Man does not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord,
Allelu, alleluia!

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Nicene Creed

G **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

Verse

Alleluia. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Alleluia.

Galatians 6:2

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Mark 10:17-22

¹⁷ As [Jesus] was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing; go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon – "Salvation and Who Owns Your Heart"

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, oh God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, oh God
And renew a right spirit within me

Cast me not away from Thy presence, oh Lord
And take not Thy holy spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me

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Confession and Absolution

Hebrews 3:12, 15

P Take care, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart. Let us confess our sin to God our Father.

C I confess to almighty God that I have rebelled against You by my neglect of Your Word and my many sins against You and my neighbor. I am by nature sinful and have not kept Your commands from my youth. Soften my hard heart with the gift of Your love and forgiveness. Strengthen my faith to look to You always for all good.

P Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts. Upon this your confession, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained 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.

Offering – ONLINE GIVING available at www.RisenChrist.info – Whether you are a visitor or a member, please turn in a **Worship Card** so we may know whom the Lord has served with His Word.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

We give thanks to You, merciful God, that You have not forsaken Your creation but continue to restore it, calling all people to seek reconciliation with You. You sent Your Son, demonstrating Your great love for all, especially in His sacrificial death. Cause this Word of Your Gospel to be proclaimed throughout the world, for the salvation of many. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

WOMEN – Save and defend our country. Grant to the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, the Congress and legislature, the judges and magistrates, and all others in civil authority wisdom and strength to know and to do Your will. Direct the hearts of all rulers, that they may administer justice to all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

MEN – Bless Your Holy Church and all pastors to proclaim Your life-giving Word faithfully and rightly administer Your Holy Sacraments. Grant to all Your people grace to hear and receive Your Holy Word, truly serving You in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

WOMEN – Help us always to seek You and Your righteousness that we may live each day in true repentance and faith, looking for our final inheritance of eternal life in Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

MEN – Hear our prayers to comfort and help all who are in trouble, sorrow, need, and sickness and all others who request our prayers. Give them Your healing grace and defend them from every evil. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

WOMEN – We commend to Your mercy, O Lord, all Your servants who have departed this life with the sign of faith and now rest in the sleep of peace. Grant us faith to look for our inheritance in the resurrection of all flesh. Lord, in Your mercy, **C** **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

Lift Up Your Hearts

P The Lord be with you **C** And also with you

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P Lift up your hearts

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All Sing

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks

To the Lord our God

It is right to give Him

Thanks and praise

Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

G **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 Peace of the Lord

P The peace of the ✠ Lord be with you always. **G** Amen.

Distribution

Lord Have Mercy

1. Jesus I've forgotten the words that You have spoken
Promises that burned within my heart have now grown dim
With a doubting heart I follow the paths of earthly wisdom
Forgive me for my unbelief
Renew the fire again

**CHORUS: Lord have mercy Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on me
Lord have mercy Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on me**

2. I have built an altar
where I've worshiped things of man
I have taken journeys
that have drawn me far from You
Now I am returning to Your mercies ever flowing
Pardon my transgressions
Help me love You again **CHORUS**

3. I have longed to know You
and all Your tender mercies
Like a river of forgiveness
ever flowing without end
So I bow my heart before You
in the goodness of Your presence
Your grace forever shining
Like a beacon in the night **CHORUS**

Lord have mercy Lord have mercy on us 4x

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It is Well with My Soul

1. When peace like a river
Attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot
Thou hast taught me to say
It is well
It is well with my soul

***It is well with my soul
It is well
It is well with my soul***

2. Tho' Satan should buffet
Tho' trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood
For my soul

***CHORUS: It is well with my soul
It is well
It is well with my soul***

3. My sin O the joy
Of this glorious tho't
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul ***CHORUS***

4. And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well
With my soul ***CHORUS***

Closing Prayer

Who You Say I Am

1. Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

***Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am***

2. Free at last
He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

***Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God
Yes I am***

***In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God
Yes I am***

BRIDGE: I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

Benediction

P The Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you. **C** Amen.

P He will strengthen your faith and love. **C** Amen.

P The Lord will lead you in all His ways. **C** Amen.

P The blessing of almighty God, the Father and the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and go with you now and all your days. **C** Amen.

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