



Luther Memorial Church

## Holy Communion

PENTECOST 20

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 | 10:30 AM

# Welcome!

*Please silence your cell phone in the nave.*

### PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

### HYMNAL

The red hymnal in the pew in front of you contains much of the music used in this service. Page numbers are in the front part of the hymnal on the bottom of the page, while hymns are found towards the rear of the hymnal.

### RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

### CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9:15–noon.

### LEARN MORE

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at [www.luthermem.org](http://www.luthermem.org) or Facebook

PRELUDE Psalm 23 v. 2 | Percy Whitlock

## GATHERING

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

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

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.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.*

#522 PROCESSIONAL HYMN As We Gather at Your Table

### APOSTOLIC 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.**

## GLORIA

*Choir*



Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

*All*



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we




wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you \_\_\_ for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord



God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on



us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: \_\_\_ re - ceive our



prayer. \_ For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the



Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, \_\_\_ with the Ho - ly



Spir - it \_\_\_ in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of the feast, you prepare a table for all and pour out your abundant life. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## WORD

*Please sit.*

### FIRST READING Isaiah 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM The Lord Is Now My Shepherd True | Heinrich Schütz

### SECOND READING Philippians 4:1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Choir: This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

**GOSPEL** Matthew 22:1-14

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit.*

**SERMON**

*Please stand.*

**#462 HYMN OF THE DAY** Now We Join in Celebration

**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

... Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

## PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.*

## MEAL

*Please sit.*

## OFFERING

### MUSIC AT THE OFFERING O Sacrum Convivium! | Olivier Messiaen

O sacrum convivium!  
in quo Christus sumitur:  
recolitur memoria passionis eius:  
mens impletur gratia:  
et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur.  
Alleluia.

*O sacred banquet,  
in which Christ is received,  
the memory of his Passion is renewed,  
the mind is filled with grace,  
and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia!*

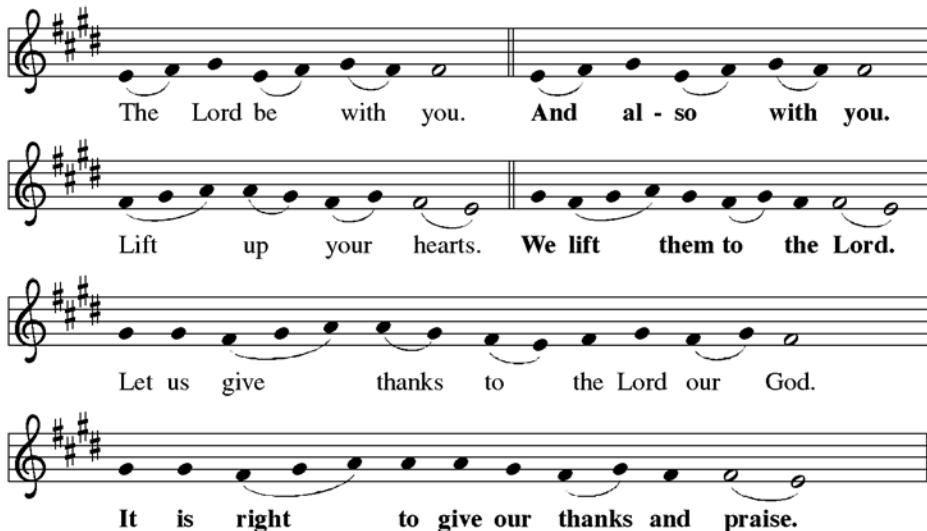
*Please stand.*

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

**God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



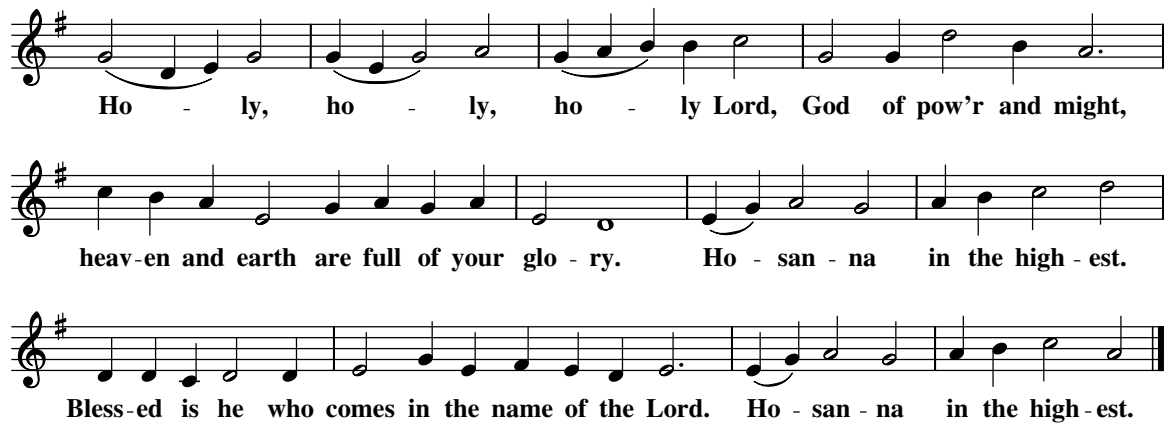
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord... all honor and glory, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be  
thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our  
dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,  
as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us  
not in- to temp- ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.

For thine is the king-dom, and the pow- er, and the  
 glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

*Please sit.*

**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 your peace.

**THE COMMUNION**

*All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread\*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. \*Gluten-free bread is available on request.*

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

- #468 Around You, O Lord Jesus
- #778 The Lord's My Shepherd

*Please stand.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## SENDING

### BLESSING

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

**Amen.**

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.*

#547 RECESSIONAL HYMN Sent Forth by God's Blessing

### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Rhythmic Trumpet *from Baroques* | Seth Bingham









## TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Did you ever think, when you were a child, what fun it would be if your toys could come to life? Well suppose you could really have brought them to life. Imagine turning a tin soldier into a real little man. It would involve turning the tin into flesh; all he sees is that the tin is being spoilt. He thinks you are killing him. He will do everything he can to prevent you. He will not be made into a man if he can help it.

What you would have done about that tin soldier I do not know. But what God did about us was this. The Second Person in God, the Son, became human Himself: was born into the world as an actual man—a real man of a particular language, weighing so many stone. The Eternal Being, who knows everything and who created the whole universe, became not only a man but (before that) a baby, and before that a fetus inside a Woman's body. If you want to get the hang of it, think how you would like to become a slug or a crab.

C. S. Lewis (1898 – 1963)

## SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
PREACHER	Pastor Brad Pohlman
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer
ACOLYTE	Tyler Thiele, Michael Thiele
ASSISTING MINISTER	Mary Jean Huston
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Al Larson, Judy Braham, Karole Leadholm
CRUCIFER	Brian Uphoff
LECTOR	Kelly Olson
SACRISTAN	Dan Ruge
AUDIO	Bill Braham
VIDEO	Randy Eide
HEAD USHER	Bob Uphoff
USHERS	Chris Uphoff, Jeff Van Fleet

### A note about fall liturgy from Andrew Schaeffer

From Sunday, Sep. 10 to Reformation Sunday on Oct. 29, we will be using a new musical setting of the Communion liturgy. It was originally composed by Roger Petrich who served LM as director of music, 1971–1977. Roger originally wrote this setting to be included in the *Lutheran Book of Worship* (1978). Though it was ultimately not included in the LBW, it enjoyed some life here during Roger's tenure. Over a year ago, I contacted Roger about reviving the setting for our building's 100th anniversary, a prospect he truly relished! Sadly, Roger died while updating it, but I'm pleased to say that we were able to finish the project thanks to Rolf Wulfsberg, who typeset the music, and my friend Ken Miller, who composed new brass parts. Our use of this setting is not only a fitting memorial to Roger, but also a celebration of this congregation's commitment to high-quality music. Though we will use this setting primarily in conjunction with our anniversary events, it's my hope that this setting becomes a part of our rote for years to come.

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