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Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

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Prelude:

GATHERING

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(Stand if you are able)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † 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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: 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 promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Gathering Hymn: ELW 532 Gather Us In



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ers,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
 fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

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P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the community of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - mighty God and Fa-ther,



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

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 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.

Refrain



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace



to God's peo-ple on earth. Glo-ry to God in the



high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

3 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.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

A - men, a - men.

Prayer of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

(Please be Seated)

First Reading - Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Amos was a herdsman by profession and a prophet by God's call. During a time of great prosperity in the northern kingdom of Israel, the prophet speaks to the wealthy upper class. He warns his listeners that fulfilling God's demand for justice brings blessing, while corruption and oppression incur God's wrath.

L: A reading from the 5th chapter of Amos

⁶Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. ⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. ¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live 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 push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³Therefore the 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, just 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: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 90:12-17

L: ¹²So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

C: ¹³Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.

L: ¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

C: ¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

L: ¹⁶Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

C: ¹⁷May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork

Second Reading - Hebrews 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

L: A reading from the 4th chapter of Hebrews.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

Children's Sermon / Sermon (please be seated)

Hymn of the Day: ELW 583

Take My Life, That I May Be
Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

Refrain/Estribillo



Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;



at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;



take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estribillo



beau - ti - ful for thee.
pow'r as thou shalt choose.
mes - sag - es from thee.
be thy roy - al throne.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, adapt.; Spanish text: Vincent Mendoza, 1875–1955
Music: TOMA MI VOLUNTAD, William Dexheimer Pharris, b. 1956
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Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

The pastor will read the first and last prayer, those in the congregation are invited to read the other prayer aloud as they feel called. The congregation may turn and face the aisle.

P: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

Compassionate God, embolden the church to seek all who are lost, clothe those who are naked, and mend what is broken. May we be generous bearers of your eternal love. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Sustaining God, as we approach harvest time, we pray for farmers, field workers, and those who process crops. Keep us mindful of environmental threats to the nourishing food that feeds the world. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Steadfast God, inspire world leaders to share resources and work collectively to end global poverty, starvation, and preventable disease. Direct us to seek justice and equity, that all may live in peace. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Generous God, we give thanks for the first nations and tribes who inhabited this land. We lament the harm done by colonization. Call us to deeper appreciation and care for the languages, rituals, and history of all Indigenous people. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Ever-living God, we rejoice to be heirs of the eternal life made real in Jesus' death and resurrection. We give thanks for saints of all times and places, first and last, who still inspire us to faithful living. God of grace,

C: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C: Amen.

OFFERING

Choir Anthem : RW 249 When the Poor Ones

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

Praise and Thanksgiving

1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text. The third staff contains the melody for the third line of text. The music is written in a simple, folk-like style with a mix of quarter, eighth, and dotted notes.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.

Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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Offering Prayer

P: 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.

P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

C: 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.

Announcements

BLESSING

P: God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: ELW 705

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
2 Lo! The hosts of e - vil round us scorn the Christ, as -
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your pow'r; crown your an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us
your con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; let the gift of your sal - va - tion



bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age
rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

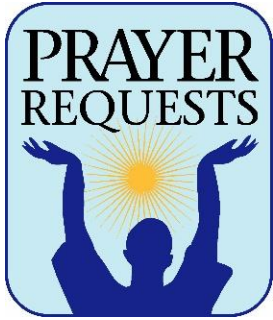
DISMISSAL

P: Go in Peace, Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

Outreach envelope: Our Outreach envelopes for October will be given to Lutheran Disaster Relief to help those affected by floods and fires.

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>			
October	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS
13		Lisa & Bruce Crouse (34)	
15		Val & Paul McGinn (30) Kathryn & John Wagner(14)	Sharon Streletz
16	Chris Roberts		
18	Karen Bolesta		
19	Joanne Antoni		
<u>THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES</u>			
Sunday, October 13 21 st Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 AM 10:00 AM 5:00PM-7:30PM	Adult Sunday school in the library. Non- Communion Worship Guest Speaker: Scott Gaun Confirmation Class @ St. Peters Riegelsville	
Tuesday, October 15	1:00PM	Christian Education Meeting @ Church Office	
Wednesday, October 16	10:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Office Hours(No Pastor)	
Thursday, October 17	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Office Hours(No Pastor) Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's	
Friday, October 18	9:30 - 10:30 AM	Guardians for God	
Saturday, October 19	5:00 PM-7:00 PM 5:00 PM	Messy Church @ Durham Worship @ St. Peter's, Riegelsville	
<u>UPCOMING ACTIVITIES</u>			
Sunday, October 20 22 nd Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 AM 10:00 AM	Adult Sunday school in the library Communion Worship- Rev. David Lutcher	
Tuesday, October 22	7:30PM	Finance Committee Meeting	
Wednesday, October 23	10:00 PM - 1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Office Hours PALM Meeting @ Upper Tincum	
Thursday, October 24	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's	
Friday, October 25	9:30 - 10:30 AM	Guardians for God	
Sunday, October 27 23 rd Sunday after Pentecost	9:15 AM 10:00 AM 5:00 - 7:30 PM	Adult Sunday School in Library Communion Worship Confirmation Class @ St. Luke's Ferndale	
Wednesday, October 30	10:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Office Hours	
Thursday, October 31	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM 12:00 PM 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Office hours Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's	
Friday, Nov 1	9:30-10:30AM	Guardians for God	
Saturday, Nov 2	11:00AM	Funeral for Rev. Dr. William Scholl	



For Healing of those in our Congregation:

David Antoni; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Ed Xander; Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family:

Frank Allebach; Phyllis Allebach; Bob Benoure; Paula Benoure; Jason Bigley; Stephen Bizon; Sherri Breithoff; Doris Calverley; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Peggy Coleman; Stephanie Courtney; David Davis; Nancy Edelen; Leon Errico; Nora Fallon; Fred Foerster; Gabriella Froehlich; Debbie Gardner; Candie Gimbar; Baree Lee Goodman; Jason Gourley; Penni Griffith; Andrew Hales; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tim Koplín; Mary Lily; Rev. David Lisner; Jim McAnally; Letitia McCrea; Connor McDevitt; Nancy Morris; Sue Odor; Cindy Oswald; Lucia Otero; Jim Pavlica; Jennifer Phelps; Connie Rugen; Tammy Sassman; Paul Sauter; Douglas Schlegel; Laurel Sheetz; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Joe V.; Kelly Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Henry Wong; Wayne Yeisley; Barbara Yob.

For those who are Homebound:

James Altemose; Cleo Eck; Frank Mammana; Jayne Miller; and Silas Rodenbach.

For families and friends grieving the loss of:

Lynn Bailey; Norma Fox; Ronald Fox; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Kenneth Eck; Kenneth Hager; Melody Jordan; Phyllis Lanshe; Charles Reiman; Josephine Yeisley

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: joanmammana@icloud.com

Worship Assistants

Preacher	Scott Gaun
Organist/ Choir Director	Carolyn Williams
Altar Guild	Nancy Moskella and Becky Praster
Greeter(s)	Williams Family
Acolyte	Colton Wagner
Lector	Joe Hlavaty
Head / Communion Usher	Ben and Josephine Williams
Council Communion / Counting Team	Dave Sauter and Cathy Mueller
Administration & Technology	Ken Anderson
Custodian	Dianna Streletz

CROP Hunger Walk—

Today is our CROP Hunger Walk! Walkers will register at St. Peter's starting at 1:00 pm. The Walk starts at 1:30 PM. Durham has one Walker and has collected \$100 towards the Walk. There is still time to join the Walk or to sponsor a Walker. See Ken Anderson to sign up. Thanks to all the Walkers and their sponsors for participating!!

Palisades Area CROP Hunger Walk Sunday, October 13th 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 St Peter's Lutheran Church 720 Edgewood Rd. Riegelsville, PA
 The route will go south on the Delaware canal to Trauger's Farm and back.
<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/riegelsvillepa>

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/evangelical-lutheran-church-of-durham>