



*The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost*  
*St. John's Lutheran Church*  
 Red Bud, Illinois  
October 21-22, 2017



THE PRELUDE: "Es ist Das Heil"

*arranged by Kenneth T. Kosche*

THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

OPENING HYMN: "If God Had Not Been on Our Side" (*tune: "All Who Believe and Are Baptized"*)

If God had not been on our side And had not come to aid us,  
 The foes with all their pow'r and pride Would sure-ly have dis-mayed us;  
 For we, His flock, would have to fear The threat of men both far and near  
 Who rise in might a-gainst us.

Their fu-rious wrath, did God per-mit, Would sure-ly have con-sumed us  
 And as a deep and yawn-ing pit With life and limb en-tombed us.  
 Like men o'er whom dark wa-ters roll Their wrath would have en-gulfed our soul  
 And, like a flood, o'er-whelmed us.

Blest be the Lord, who foiled their threat That they could not de-vour us;  
 Our souls, like birds, es-caped their net, They could not o-ver-pow'r us.  
 The snare is bro-ken – we are free! Our help is ev-er, Lord, in Thee,  
 Who mad-est earth and heav-en.  
 (*Written by Dr. Martin Luther*)

(10:30 a.m.) Holy Baptism, pages 268ff.

Divine Service Two, page 167ff.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: page 167 (*please stand if you are able*)

*We Share God's Peace With and Greet One Another*

INTROIT: Psalm 121



The LORD is your | keeper;  
 I lift up my eyes | to the hills.  
 My help comes | from the LORD,  
 He will not let your | foot be moved;

the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.  
 From where does my | help come?  
 who made | heaven and earth.  
 He who keeps you will not | slumber.

Behold, He who keeps | Israel  
 The LORD will keep you from all | evil;  
 The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in

will neither slum- | ber nor sleep.  
 He will | keep your life.  
 from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son  
 as it was in the be- | ginning,

and to the Holy | Spirit;  
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

The LORD is your | keeper;

the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.

KYRIE: pages 168-169

HYMN OF PRAISE: "This Is the Feast" pages 171-172

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

L: The Lord be with you. C: (*sung*) And also with you.

L: Let us pray C: O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that  
 with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the  
 things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the  
 Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (*please be seated*)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the LORD to His anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue  
 nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be  
 closed: "I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and  
 cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places,  
 that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of  
 My servant Jacob, and Israel My chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know  
 Me. I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides Me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not  
 know Me, that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none  
 besides Me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make well-being  
 and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things."

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

GRADUAL:

He will command His angels concerning you  
 Bless the Lord, O my soul,

to guard you in all your ways.  
 and all that is within me, bless His holy name!

THE EPISTLE READING:

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord  
 Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly  
 mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of  
 love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers loved by God, that He  
 has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy  
 Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.  
 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the

joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

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

*(please stand if able)* **ALLELUIA and VERSE:** page 173

*(sung)* **Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Al-le-lu-ia.**

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 22:15-22**

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22<sup>nd</sup> chapter. **C: *(sung)* Glory to You, O Lord.**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle Jesus in His talk. And they sent their disciples to Him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that You are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and You do not care about anyone's opinion, for You are not swayed by appearances. Tell us, then, what You think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put Me to the test, you hypocrites? Show Me the coin for the tax." And they brought Him a denarius. And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said, "Caesar's." Then He said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard it, they marveled. And they left Him and went away.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: *(sung)* Praise to You, O Christ. *(please be seated)***

*(8 a.m.)* **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG: 605 "Father Welcomes"**

**HYMN OF THE DAY: 407 "To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord"**

**SERMON: "Reformation 500: Holy Baptism" Matthew 28:19-20**

*(Jesus said) "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

**OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: Creed *(please stand if you are able)***

*(5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m.)* **The Nicene Creed: page 174**      *(8 a.m.)* **The Apostles' Creed: page 175**

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(Each petition ends "Lord in Your mercy" and we respond, "hear our prayer.")*

**HEALING AND COMFORT:** Nina Guebert, Willard Uffelmann, Mary Gross, Rich Moeller, C. John Prigge, Iona Burgdorf, Barb Korves, Sue Guebert, Diana Becker, David W. Stellhorn, Matthew Burmester; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Elaine Goetting, Harlan Burmester, Jamie Brandt, Ruth Ann Juelfs, Eric Frazier, Rev. Mike and Melanie Maddick, Ethel Montroy, Dwain Schrader, Brian Ulione, Brenda Manning, Bobby Wood, Boniface Becker, Derrick DeWilde, Donna Sandersfeld, Bobby Cowell, Dan Krebel, Michelle Gibbs, Jane Lucht, Caleb Oakley, Jan Kaaz. *Help us keep this list current!*

**MILITARY:** (Please call with the names to include in prayer.) **Army-** Nathan Koen, Jonathan Koen, Tim Healy, Christopher Dupertius, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Casey Vallet, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Andy Pfeiffer, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner; **Navy-** Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; **Air Force-** Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich, Christina Cavan, Tanner Hackstadt, Ched Wagner; **Marines-** Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Josh Butterworth, Garrett Carnahan, Brent Knop, Thomas Lewis

+those recovering from natural disaster, wildfires in California, violence and protests in our area  
+weddings: Ryan & Julie (Krupa) Langrehr on Oct. 21; Chelsea Nebel & Shane Smithson on Oct. 28  
+those who mourn: the family of Leona Dannenbrink, who died in the Lord on Wednesday  
+favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields

*(please be seated)*

**OFFERING:** "Elvet Banks"

*setting by Robert Lind*

*(please stand if you are able)* **OFFERTORY:** page 176

*The 8 a.m. service continues with the Lord's Prayer and a Closing Prayer.*

*(5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m.)* **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT:** page 177ff.

**PREFACE:** page 177

**SANCTUS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:** page 178

**LORD'S PRAYER AND THE WORDS OF OUR LORD:** page 179

**THE PAX DOMINI:**

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

**THE AGNUS DEI:** page 180

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:** *(please be seated)*

**556 "Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice"**

**634 "The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord"**

*(please stand if you are able)*

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE:** "Thank the Lord" page 181

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT:** page 183

**BENEDICTION:** page 183

**CLOSING HYMN: 919 "Abide, O Dearest Jesus"**

**THE POSTLUDE:** "Christus, Der ist Mein Leben"

*setting by Jeffrey Blersch*

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