

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH (MISSOURI SYNOD)

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THE SEASON OF THE HOLY TRINITY

St. John's Tide--"The Characteristics of the Christian
Life: Its Fundamental Features" 25 August 2019
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity: The Sunday of the Cleansing of the
Temple

"The Worship of God Wrought by the Spirit"

But the captain of the guard left some of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and plowmen. 2 Kings 25.12 [ESV]

WELCOME TO FAITH! GOD'S HOUSE, YOUR HOME! To the friends who know us and to the visitors who are with us for the first time, the pastor and members of Faith Lutheran extend you a sincere welcome. We pray that your faith will be strengthened by your worship with us. We invite our guests to sign the guest book in the entry way and worship with us again.

ORDER OF SERVICE—THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE—hymnal pg. 5 THE PREPARATION

Pre-service prayers

(hymnal pg. 4; 102-109; 118; 170)

<u>Prelude</u>—Freu dich sehr, o meine Seele

Hymn #279 Today Thy Mercy Calls Us

Invocation

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Confession/ Absolution

hymnal pg. 5-6

<u>THE SERVICE OF THE WORD</u>—Jesus comes with His word to enlighten us

Introit: (Psalm 55. 16a; 17b. 18a, 22a, 1)

- **P** I call to God and He hears my voice.
- He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage for many are against me.
- P God will give ear and humble them,
- He who is enthroned from of old.
- P Cast your burden on the Lord, and He will sustain you.
- P Give ear to my prayer, O God,
- and hide not Yourself from my plea for mercy!

Gloria Patri pg. 6

Kyrie
Gloria in Excelsis [Glory in the Highest]

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Salutation/ Collect

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O God, You declare Your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant, that we, who by Your grace in Christ, have been made partakers of Your heavenly treasure, may cheerfully serve You also in this life, walking in the way of Your commandments; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

Epistle:

1 Corinthians 12.1-11 [EHV]

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were deceived and somehow led away to mute idols. ³Therefore I am informing you that no one speaking by God's Spirit says, "A curse be upon Jesus," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are various kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are various kinds of service, and yet the same Lord. ⁶There are various kinds of activity, but the same God, who produces all of them in everyone.

⁷Each person is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one person a message of wisdom is given by the Spirit; to another, a message of knowledge, as the same Spirit provides it; ⁹by the same Spirit, faith is given to someone else; and to another, the same Spirit gives healing gifts. ¹⁰Another is given powers to do miracles; another, the gift of prophecy; another, the evaluating of spirits; someone else, different kinds of tongues; and another, the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹One and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them to each one individually as he desires.

Gradual: (Psalm 17.8, 1; Psalm 88.1)

P Keep me as the apple of Your eye.

C Hide me under the shadow of Your wings.

Let my vindication come from Your presence; let Your eyes look on the things that are upright. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

O Lord, God of my salvation, I have cried out day and night before You. Hallelujah!

Triple Hallelujah pg. 10

Gospel - St. Luke 19. 41-48 [EHV]

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⁴¹As [Jesus] came near, he saw the city and wept over it. ⁴²He said, "If you, yes you, had only known on this day the things that would bring peace to you. But now, it is hidden from your eyes. ⁴³In fact, the days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you, surround you, and hem you in on every side. ⁴⁴Within your walls, they will dash you and your children to the ground. And within your walls, they will not leave one stone on top of another, because you did not recognize the time when God came to help you."

⁴⁵Jesus entered the temple courts and began to drive out those who were selling things there. ⁴⁶He told them, "It is written, 'My house will be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of robbers'!"

⁴⁷Every day he was teaching in the temple courts, but the chief priests, the experts in the law, and the leaders of the people continued to look for a way to put him to death. ⁴⁸They could not find any way to do it, because all the people were clinging to him and listening.

Apostles' Creed pg. 12

Sermon—2 Kings 25.8-12

⁸ In the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month—that was the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon—Nebuzaradan, the captain of the bodyguard, a servant of the king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem. ⁹ And he burned the house of the LORD and the king's house and all the houses of Jerusalem; every great house he burned down. ¹⁰ And all the army of the Chaldeans, who were with the captain of the guard, broke down the walls around

Jerusalem. ¹¹ And the rest of the people who were left in the city and the deserters who had deserted to the king of Babylon, together with the rest of the multitude, Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried into exile. ¹² But the captain of the guard left some of the poorest of the land to be vinedressers and plowmen.

Make The Most Out Of This Time Of Grace

- 1. God is serious when He threatens punishment
- 2. But now is the time of grace [Silence for meditation]

CATECHISM REVIEW: THE LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** What is the Third Petition of the Lord's Prayer?
- Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- **P** What does this mean?
- The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.
- P How is God's will done?
- God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

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Offertory pg. 12 Offering

<u>Stewardship Thought</u>— Luke 19:46 — "It is written, 'My house shall be a house of prayer,' but you have made it a den of robbers." The Lord's House is not a house of merchandise or profit — it is a House of Prayer where people freely offer up their petitions and produce to the Lord for His purposes. Generosity and joy characterize the House of the Lord. "Freely you have received; freely give." That's pretty much the opposite of the world's marketplace.

The Prayer Of The Church

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

Brief silence

Gracious heavenly Father, keep us, Your baptized children, as the apple of Your eye and hide us in the shadow of Your wings. Turn from us all false doctrine, whereby Your holy name is blasphemed and profaned. Give ear to our prayers for mercy, and forgive our sins for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Fill Your vineyard with faithful laborers, O Lord. Bless them with Your wisdom, that they would be faithful stewards of Your mysteries, making known Your gracious visitation in the Holy Word and Sacraments, which deliver eternal salvation to those who hear and receive in faith. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Defend Your Church throughout the world, O Lord. Give strength to our brothers and sisters in Christ who experience persecution, and turn the hearts of our enemies, that they would be brought to repentance and faith and joined to the fellowship of all believers. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give us hearts to recognize that all that we have comes from Your gracious provisions, and keep us faithful when we have more than we need, that we would be generous in our tithes and offerings and in our assistance of those who need help. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless the relief agencies of our Synod and all other groups who provide relief and aid to those in need. Let compassion and mercy be their guiding light, and give wisdom and discernment to those who administer these agencies, that their use of resources would be wise and beneficial. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless Donald, our president; Andrew, our governor; all those who make and administer our laws; and all judges, that they might serve our country faithfully and make decisions with wisdom. Defend all who serve in our military, and give courage to both them and their families. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Support and strengthen those who are sick or suffering, especially those of our parish and our loved ones. In the midst of their trials,

keep them always focused upon Christ and the everlasting hope they have in Him. If it be Your will, restore them to physical health and strength. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

We give You thanks, heavenly Father, for the great gift Your Son, Jesus, has given us in His Holy Supper. As we join together with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven in lauding and praising You, lift up our hearts, that we would rightly receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of our sin. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

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

The Lord's Prayer pg. 14 The Collect for the Church pg. 14 Benediction pg. 14

Hymn #419 O'er Jerusalem Thou Weepest

Silent Prayer

Worship Continues With The Service of the Sacrament where Jesus comes to nourish us with His Body and Blood **TELL THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT JESUS**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday—Bible Study 6 pm Thursday—Bible Study 9.30 am Sunday—Catechism Study before service Service of Holy Communion

Voters' Meeting after service

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Marianne Grabenhofer, Arthur Scott, Karen Weiner, Carol Zaun; the Kuhlmann family, Mary Ellen Carl, K. Heller [father of Lance] Lynn Walz; those affected by the Syrian civil war Pastor Grabenhofer considering a call to Faith Lutheran, Sturtevant, WI



I always sin, therefore I always go to Communion. –St. Ambrose

[De sacramentis, IV, 6, 28]

RECEPTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: At Faith we offer Holy Communion to members in a separate brief service following morning services of Matins, Morning Prayer or Morning Service. Striving to confess and practice all that God has taught us in His Word, we offer the Blessed Sacrament to our own members and members of other congregations in fellowship with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod as we express our unity of faith on the basis of all of God's Word [1 Cor. 10.16-17].

PRAYER OF COMMUNICANTS: O Lord, look down in pity upon me, Your unworthy servant. I can never of myself, except through the merits of my Savior, be worthy of the benefits of His passion. Pity my infirmities. Cast the veil of Your mercy over my imperfections and do not reject me from Your table. I am enquiring into my sins, and searching into the recesses of my heart, to find out how I have offended You. Upon the examination of my soul, I find so much unworthiness it frightens me. My garments are polluted with sin, that they can never be fit to appear in Your presence or to sit down at Your table. But, O Lord, let my repentant tears wash over their defilements, and let Your blood make them as white as snow. I will not presume to come to Your table trusting in my own righteousness, but in Your manifold and great mercies. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table. But You are the same Lord, whose way is always to have mercy. Have mercy therefore upon me, O Lord, and accept my repentance, accept me for Your mercies sake, and so prepare my soul here, for the reception of Your body and blood, that my soul may be prepared to live with You hereafter in Your glorious and everlasting kingdom. Amen [Johann Gerhard 1582-1637]

PRAYER: Almighty, eternal God, by Your Holy Spirit You revealed and made known to us the word of Your Son Christ Jesus. We pray that You would awaken our hearts to receive it eagerly and not to be like the unbelieving Jews, who disregarded it and did not listen to it diligently. We pray this so that we may live and daily grow in fear of You and in true trust in Your mercy and that in the end we may be eternally saved through Your Son, Christ Jesus. Amen.



Jesus Weeps Over Jerusalem's Upcoming Destruction
[James Tissot—Brooklyn Museum]

Luke 19. 41-48 Physically speaking, the Jews lost their kingdom and priesthood, country and countrymen, city and spiritually speaking, they lost God's favor and mercy. We Christians should fear no lesser punishment. For if we despise the great grace, goodness, and benefaction that the merciful Father has shown us after a long period of darkness, blindness, and error, and are ungrateful for His Word, such punishment, both physical and spiritual, will certainly come upon us also. But if we live in the sight of God according to His Holy Word and instruction, He is able to defend and preserve us even in the hour of utmost need, as He did the godly Christians in Judea, so that we will face no evil, but will dwell beneath His wings here in grace for a time, and hereafter in glory forever.

[Spangenberg]