

THE TWENTY FIRST WEEK OF PENTECOST
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WELCOME



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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WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN 1: Glory

1

Glory, glory in the highest
Glory to the Almighty
Glory to the Lamb of God
And glory to the Living Word
Glory to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give glory (glory)
Glory (glory)
Glory, glory to the Lamb
I give glory (glory)
Glory (glory)
Glory, glory to the Lamb
I give glory to the Lamb.

2

Praises, Praises in the highest
Praises to the Almighty
Praises to the Lamb of God
And Praises to the Living Word
Praises to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give Praises (Praises)
Praises (Praises)
Praises, Praises to the Lamb
I give Praises (Praises)
Praises (Praises)
Praises, Praises to the Lamb
I give Praises to the Lamb

3

Honor, Honor in the highest
Honor to the Almighty
Honor to the Lamb of God
And Honor to the Living Word
Honor to the Lamb

CHORUS

I give Honor (Honor)
Honor (Honor)
Honor, Honor to the Lamb
I give Honor (Honor)
Honor (Honor)
Honor, Honor to the Lamb
I give Honor to the Lamb

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OPENING HYMN 2: Humble Thyself

Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord (Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord)
Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord (Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord)
And He (and He) will lift (will lift) you up, Higher and higher
And He (and He) will lift (will lift) you up, Up into heaven
And He (and He) will lift (will lift) you up.

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Let us pray – **Lord, you gave me your all when you came and lived and died for me. I confess Lord, that I fail to give you my all. So often I give you lip service instead of the wholehearted devotion you deserve. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. **Amen**

Prayer of the Day - 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. Amen.

GOD'S HOLY WORD

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

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.



The Word of the Lord...**Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 90:12-17

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

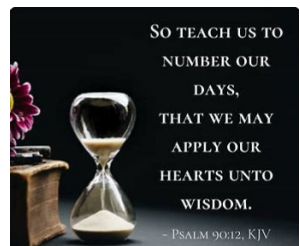
¹³**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? Be gracious to your servants.**

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

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

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

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



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

HOLY GOSPEL

A Reading from the Holy Gospel of Mark 10: 17 - 31; **Glory to You, O Lord!**

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."

The Gospel of the Lord...**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!**

SERMON – Pastor Brian Griswold

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW#685 – Take My Life that I May Be

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| 1 Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise. | 4 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose. |
| 2 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. | 5 Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne. |
| 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee. | 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee. |

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

✝ At this time, we would like to also recognize those joining us via FaceBook Live, and give voice to any greetings or prayer requests submitted for our worship.

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, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for those who are afflicted, tormented, grieving, oppressed, and lonely. Grace those from our families and community in greatest need of our prayers and your blessings. *(Please name silently or out loud).* Deliver the strength of your love and compassion to all who need it today. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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, **hear our prayer.**

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

OFFERING & OFFERING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, you have given us riches beyond measure. We can only return a small portion of what we owe you but we ask, Lord, that you will bless our offerings and use them wisely in your service and for your glory. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Lord, Remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.



Invitation to Communion – Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

OUR TIME OF COMMUNION WITH THE LORD!



COMMUNION HYMN 1: Spirit of the Living God

1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me,
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
2. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.
Soul of heaven heart of God, wash over me.
Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me,
Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.
3. Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear,
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear,
Shield me, free me, call me, lead me,
Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.
4. Spirit of the living God move among us all,
Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love.
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing,
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love.

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COMMUNION HYMN 2: I am the Bread of Life

- 1 I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father
beckons."
Refrain
- 2 The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live forever, you shall live forever."
Refrain
- 3 Unless you eat
of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you."
Refrain
- 4 I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
even though you die, you shall live forever.
Refrain
- 5 Yes, Lord, I believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who have come into the world. **Refrain**
Refrain
And I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

Closing Prayer - Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing – God all mighty, God most merciful ✝ bless you, keep you, and give you peace.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: Be Exalted, O God

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, among the people
I will sing praises to Thee, Among the nations
For Thy steadfast love is great, Is great to the heavens
And Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness to the clouds

CHORUS:

Be exalted, O God, Above the heavens
Let Thy glory be over all the earth
Be exalted, O God, Above the heavens
Let thy glory, let thy glory.
Let Thy glory be over all the earth

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Dismissal: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

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