

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
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ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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St. John's Lutheran Church is a parish of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (lcms.org), where God's people gather to receive the gifts of Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament. Welcome in the name of the Lord!

We are blessed to have a vibrant and growing parochial school, St. John's Lutheran School (Preschool & K-10), serving the families of the church and the Mattoon community with a Christ-centered education. For more information, visit stjls-mattoon.com, or contact the school office at 217-234-4911.

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GUESTS, we pray you are comforted by the Gospel and feel welcome among us. We invite you to introduce yourselves.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME in the Divine Service. Restrooms and a cry room/nursery are located in the narthex.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE with all page numbers for the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, is found in this bulletin, as well as each week's Propers*. The end of the bulletin contains St. John's weekly news and announcements. The large-print bulletins also contain the hymns and liturgy for the convenience of those who may need it.

**The Propers are the Psalm verses (Introit and Gradual) and Readings that are appointed for (or "proper to") the particular Sunday in the Church Year.*

About the Cover ~ *Parable of the Wedding Feast*

The king has the one without wedding clothes thrown out of the banquet and into the place where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. In the background the king's army destroys the city of those who rejected his invitation. Engraved by Matthaeus Merian (1593–1650).

Divine Service, Setting Three
Lutheran Service Book, page 184

<u>Hymns</u>	
596	636
636	<i>back</i>
729	642
633	672



Prelude
Announcements

Opening Hymn: *All Christians Who Have Been Baptized*..... 596
Please stand for the final stanza.

Confession and Absolution *page 184*

Introit (sung responsively with cantor) *Ps 48:1, 9–11; ant.: Liturgical Text*



The Lord is righteous in all he has | done to us,
for we have not obeyed his com- | mandments.*

**Glorify your name, | O Lord;*
and deal with us according to your great | mercy.**

Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain.*

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The Lord is righteous in all he has | done to us,
for we have not obeyed his com- | mandments.*

**Glorify your name, | O Lord;*
and deal with us according to your great | mercy.**

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis *pages 186–189*

Salutation & Collect of the Day..... *page 189*

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** *And with thy spirit.*

P Let us pray.

O Lord, grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C *Amen.*

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:1-9

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and he who has no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

³Incline your ear, and come to me;
hear, that your soul may live;
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

⁶“Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;

⁷let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.

⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual (sung responsively with cantor)

Psalms 145:15–16



The eyes of all | look to you,
and you give them their food in due | season.*

You open | your hand;*
you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.

Epistle

Ephesians 5:15–21

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

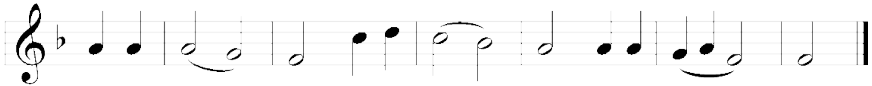
P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alleluia

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C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1–14

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ ⁵But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸Then he

said to his servants, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.’ ¹⁰And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹²And he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C *Praise be to Thee, O Christ.*

Nicene Creedpage 191

Sit

Hymn of the Day:

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness 636, sts. 1–4

Sermon

Stand

Offertory: *Create in Me*..... pages 192–193

Sit

Offering

Please take this time to fill out the red record of fellowship at the end of the pew.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Our Teaching on the Sacrament of Holy Communion: Attending communion at our altar indicates agreement with the doctrine and teachings of Scripture that our Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod confesses. Therefore, only confirmed members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod should come forward without first speaking to the pastor and being instructed. Thank you.

Preface through Agnus Dei..... pages 194–198

Sit

Distribution Hymns (as needed)

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness..... 636, sts. 5–8

OCTOBER HYMN OF THE MONTH

If God Had Not Been on Our Side..... *back page*

I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus..... 729

O Living Bread from Heaven 642

At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing 633

Stand

Nunc Dimittis through Benediction..... pages 199–202

Closing Hymn: *Jerusalem the Golden*..... 672

Postlude



Trinity 20 ~ Jesus Invites Us to His Wedding Feast to Receive Abundant Righteousness

The Holy Spirit sounds forth the Gospel call: “*See, I have prepared my dinner ... Come to the wedding feast*” (Matt. 22:1–14). But many reject this invitation in favor of worldly pursuits. And so the call goes out to others, both the good and the bad. For the wedding invitation is not based on the qualifications of those invited but on the basis of the merits and work of Christ. The feast is free: “*He who has no money, come, buy and eat ... delight yourselves in rich food.*” (Is. 55:1–9). Those rejecting the Spirit’s work shall experience God’s wrath and judgment. Those who are not clothed in Christ’s righteousness shall be cast into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us therefore seek the Lord while He may be found, for He will have mercy upon us. Let us redeem the time, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph 5:15–21).

~ LCMS Lectionary Summaries

OCTOBER HYMN OF THE MONTH

If God Had Not Been on Our Side



1 If God had not been on our side And had not
2 Their fu-rious wrath, did God per - mit, Would sure - ly
3 Blest be the Lord, who foiled their threat That they could



come to aid us, The foes with all their pow'r and
have con-sumed us And as a deep and yawn-ing
not de-vour us; Our souls, like birds, es-caped their



pride Would sure - ly have dis-mayed us; For we, His
pit With life and limb en-tombed us. Like men o'er
net, They could not o-ver-pow'r us. The snare is



flock, would have to fear The threat of men both
whom dark wa-ters roll Their wrath would have en -
bro - ken— we are free! Our help is ev - er,



far and near Who rise in might a - gainst us.
gulfed our soul And, like a flood, o'er-whelmed us.
Lord, in Thee, Who mad-est earth and heav - en.

Trinity 20
10/13/24

Trinity 21
10/20/24

Celebrant	Rev. Andrew Herzberg	Rev. Andrew Herzberg
Organist	Peter Eckardt	Corbin Richey
Head Elder	Kevin Lange	Kevin Lange
Asst. Elder	Erik Stortzum	Erik Stortzum
Altar Guild	Connie Smith & Barbara Degler	Connie Smith & Barbara Degler
Acolytes	Mabrey VanHoveln & Kennedy Wirth	Christian Bowen & Bella Bowen
Ushers	Bryce Becker & Abby Herzberg	Bryce Becker & Abby Herzberg

Altar Flowers are given by Erik & Tara Stortzum in celebration of their 25th Anniversary.

Those in Need of Comfort, Health, & Recovery

Our Members: Norma Schussler, Marge Anderson, Kay Pointon, Shirley & Bill Donnell, Bob Koelling, Sharon Price, and Helen Smock

Those Shut In: Art Zuhone , Rich & Clara Woelber, Bob Zschau, Shirley Kolbus, Lorene Reinhart, Alvin & Judy Schagemann, Dorothy Roling, Marlene Zuhone, Sara Doehring, Doris Dallas, & Martha Spencer

Friends of our Congregation: Douglas Blume, Jeff Ferree, Charles Stodden, Bianca Stodden, Susan Sochowski, Terri Fry, John Bell, Derick Shy, Linda Scheer, Addison Orris, Raelle Jackson, Karen Phillips, Bill Crane, Mike Sullivan, Renee Dosien, Connie McNeilus, and Tammy Weber

Attendance Last Week: 207 **Vespers:** 42

Education Hour: 42 (Adult Class), 20 (Sunday School)

Budgeted: \$125,191 **Received:** \$120,128

Church Announcements

Reminder: If you are seated on the end of a pew with space open to the middle of the pew, please consider moving to the middle to allow others to have a seat. Also, if you see a guest, don't forget to introduce yourself and ask if they have any questions about following along in the service.

Ladies Aid Meeting: The ladies aid will be hosting their monthly meeting this Thursday, October 17th in the Family Room at 1:00 pm. We will be hosting a luncheon for the school staff this day, if you would like to help with this, please let Connie Smith know!

Trunk or Treat- It's that time of year again! Trunk or Treat is right around the corner and will be held in the Church parking lot on October 27th. We are ready to start collecting candy! Please drop all donations off at the church office. If you would like to sign up to decorate a trunk, please call the church office or let Kallie Harris & Bryce Becker know.

Christmas Bazaar: It's that time again, Ladies Aid is beginning to prepare for the Christmas Bazaar – Saturday, November 2nd from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm. Mark your calendars – A fun day for all! Several churches in the area will be participating in the Mattoon area. Start collecting your gently used fall and Christmas items. You may bring your items to the stage the week of November 21st or drop your items off Wednesday October 30th and Thursday October 31st at the U Drive from 10:00 am -1:00 pm on those days.

Prayer Meeting is cancelled this week.

Stewardship Thought: Isaiah 55:2 – “Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?” What Isaiah says here is reminiscent of what Jesus says about putting our earthly wealth in places where “moth and rust destroy” (Matt. 6:19). Where we put the money God has given us to manage says a lot about the way in which we actually view life. What do your spending priorities say about what you think is truly important in life?

Schedule for October 13 – October 20

- Sun 9:00 am Divine Service (Trinity 20)**
10:20 – 11:20 am Bible Class/Sunday School
2:00 – 6:00 pm Stortzum – Gym
5:00 pm FIRE
- Mon** *No School – Columbus Day – Offices Closed*
- Tue** 6:30 am Men's Bible Study – Honey Bee Café
~~3:30 – 4:15 pm Youth Choir – cancelled~~
5:00 – 6:30 pm GBB Practice in church gym
- Wed** 8:30 am Chapel (Grades 1-5)
9:43 am Chapel (Grades 6-10)
~~7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal – cancelled~~
3:45 – 6:30 pm Parent Teacher Conferences
6:00 pm Confirmation Class
- Thurs** *Early Dismissal – Parent Teacher Conferences*
~~10:00 am Bible Study – cancelled~~
1:00 pm Ladies Aid Business Meeting
7:00 pm Men's Study in Windsor
- Fri** *No School – Parent Teacher Conferences – Offices Closed*
- Sun 9:00 am Divine Service (Trinity 21)**
10:20 – 11:20 am Bible Class/Sunday School
2:00 – 5:00 pm Warfel – Gym and Fellowship Hall