



# 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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*Welcome!* Words in **bold** are said together.

## *Confession and Absolution*

*Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.***

*L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.*

*Have mercy on us, O God.*

**C: We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our way to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

*L: God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God. **C: Amen.***

## *Gathering Hymn – This is My Father's World #824*

1. This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears  
all nature sings and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Father's world; oh, let me not forget  
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong; God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world; why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is king, let heaven ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

*Prayer of the Day — **Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

## *Scripture Readings*

Hebrews 10:11-25 p. 976

<sup>11</sup>And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," <sup>13</sup>and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering →

he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. <sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, <sup>16</sup>"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," <sup>17</sup>he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." <sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16 p. 430

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**<sup>2</sup>I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."**

<sup>3</sup>As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

**<sup>4</sup>Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.**

**<sup>5</sup>The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.**

<sup>6</sup>The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

**<sup>7</sup>I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.**

<sup>8</sup>I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

**<sup>9</sup>Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.**

<sup>10</sup>For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

**<sup>11</sup>You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

The holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark 13:1-8 p. 825

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" <sup>2</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

<sup>3</sup>When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>"Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" <sup>5</sup>Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, →

but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Children's Message and Sermon*

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## *Hymn of the Day – My Life Flows on in Endless Song #763*

1. My Life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

*Refrain:* No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

2. Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? *Refrain.*
3. What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth.  
What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain.*
4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? *Refrain.*

## *Apostle's Creed*

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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 God's People*

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: **hear our prayer.**

### *Offering*

- ◇ In person: a basket for gifts is near the stairs for your use before or after worship
- ◇ Mail: Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 1005 St. Nicholas Drive, North Pole, AK 99705
- ◇ Online: "giving" tab at [www.lordoflifeak.com/giving](http://www.lordoflifeak.com/giving) or the QR Code →
- ◇ Phone app: download "Give Plus Church" search by zip 99705, choose Lord of Life, and follow the instructions. Giving is secure.



## *Offering Hymn – Now the Feast and Celebration #167*

*Refrain:* Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom; praise and glory forever more!

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. *Refrain.*
2. Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain.*
3. For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us people of God; to make all things new. *Refrain.*

*Offering Prayer* – **Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Christ's Words of Institution and Communion*

We eat and drink together at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer.

*The Lord's Prayer*

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught 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.**

*Announcements*

- Don't forget the Annual Meeting after worship today!
- Today 4pm Confirmation, 6pm Youth group
- Want to learn how to run the video cameras and/or PowerPoint? Sam is ready to train you! Sign up to partner with someone who already knows how! You'll be a pro in no time. 😊
- Important stuff coming up: Thanksgiving Food Boxes 11/24 from 12-2pm; Christmas Decorating 11/27 at 10am; Bishop Shelley Wickstrom at LoL 11/28 for worship and care.

*Receiving the Ministry and Sending Pastor Amanda*

*Blessing and Dismissal*

*L: Led on by the saints before us, let us go into our annual meeting to strengthen this church and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.*

***Special Thanks to...***

Pianist, Carol Hughes

Reader, Cheryl Park

Usher,

→ hand out worship items, light the candle,  
count people present, bring offering forward

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