# THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 3, 2021

# THE SERVICE OF PREPARATION PRELUDE THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

Pastor: The pages of Scripture counsel us regarding things that are not to be neglected. Proverbs says plainly: "Hear instruction and be wise, and do not neglect it" (Proverbs 8:33). Paul writes to young Timothy: "Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you" (1 Timothy 4:14). But the book of the Bible with the most reminders about what is not to be neglected is Hebrews. Here we are directed: do not neglect to do good (Hebrews 13:16), do not neglect to show hospitality (13:2), do not neglect to meet together (10:25), and do not neglect our great salvation (2:3). We do well to take that divine guidance to heart.

#### **PREPARATION**

(Please stand)

#### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and

of the Holy Spirit.

People: (spoken) Amen.

#### **OPENING HYMN**

"With the Lord Begin your Task" LSB 869 vs 1-3
With the Lord begin your task
Jesus will direct it
For His aid and counsel ask
Jesus will perfect it
Ev'ry morn with Jesus rise
And when day is ended
In His name then close your eyes
Be to Him commended

Let each day begin with prayer
Praise and adoration
On the Lord cast ev'ry care
He is your salvation
Morning, evening and at night
Jesus will be near you
Save you from the tempter's might
With His presence cheer you

With your Savior at your side
Foes need not alarm you
In His promises confide
And no ill can harm you
All your trust and hope repose
In the mighty Master
Who in wisdom truly knows
How to stem disaster

- **OPENING SENTENCES** *Psalm 27:7, 11a, 13-14; 51:15;70:1*
- Pastor: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare Your praise.
- People: (spoken) Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O LORD, make haste to help me!
- Pastor: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!
- People: (spoken) Teach me Your way, O LORD, and led me on a level path.
- Pastor: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!
- People: (spoken) Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

(Please be seated or kneel for the confession)

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- Pastor: Let us now confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.
- People: (spoken) Gracious God, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We know well that we are by nature sinful and unclean. Morning, noon, and night we have done things we ought not to have done and have not done that which we are to have been doing as Your faithful servants. We have neglected the salvation You so graciously have provided for us. Indeed, we deserve Your punishment in this life and for eternity. Trusting in Your mercy, we come to You for forgiveness. Our trust is not in ourselves but in the merits of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Have mercy on

us, O God. Grant us remission of all our sins and lead us to renewed lives that reflect Your goodness, mercy, and love.

Pastor: With confident joy, I announce to you that God is gracious and merciful and hears our supplications.

Upon your confession, by the command of our Lord and as His called and ordained servant, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

#### REFLECTION ON MORNING

Lamentations 3:22-23a; Psalm 5:3

Pastor: The morning hours are a proper time for God's people to thank and honor Him. The author of the Book of Lamentations writes of God: "The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning."

In his Small Catechism section on Daily Prayers, Martin Luther included what he called a "little prayer" to be said as part of a personal devotion at the start of the day. We speak the words together.

People: (spoken) I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and

all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Pastor: The early expressions of the morning prayer and praise of God's people are expressed in the words of the psalmist, who writes: "O LORD, in the morning You hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for You and watch." Reflecting the longing of God's faithfilled people for the presence of their Savior are the words of the African American spiritual "Jesus in the Morning."

**HYMN** 

"Jesus in the Morning" (This Far by Faith TFBF)
Text: African American Spiritual. Public domain

Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus in the morning
Jesus in the noon-time
Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus when the sun goes down

Praise him, praise him,
praise him in the morning
Praise him in the noon-time
Praise him, praise him,
Praise him when the sun goes down

Love him, Love him
Love him in the morning
Love him in the noon-time
Love him, Love him
Love him when the sun goes down.

Serve him, Serve him
Serve him in the morning
Serve him in the noon-time
Serve him, Serve him
Serve him when the sun goes down

Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus in the morning
Jesus in the noon-time
Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus when the sun goes down

(Please Stand)

#### **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: (spoken) And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Father of our Lord Jesus, the strength of all who trust You, help us to live according to Your design and to treasure both Your word of command and Your word of forgiveness. Make our lives to be signs of Your life and the instruments of renewal in our world; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please be seated)

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 2:18-25 ESV

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam [c] there was not found a helper fit for him. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.** 

#### **EPISTLE** Hebrews 2:1-18 ESV

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me." Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same

things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.** 

(Please Stand)

#### THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH (sing)

People: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

People: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

#### **HOLY GOSPEL** Mark 10:2-16 ESV

"I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise." And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Behold, I and the children God has given me." Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of

death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People:** (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.** 

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

"We All Believe in One True God" LSB 953

We all believe in one true God

Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Ever present help in need

Praised by all the heav'nly host

All He made His love enfolds

All creation He upholds

We all believe in Jesus Christ
Son of God and Mary's son
Who descended from His throne
And for us salvation won
By whose cross and death are we
Rescued from all misery

We all confess the Holy Ghost
Who from both in truth proceeds
Who sustains and comforts us
In all trials, fears, and needs
Blest and holy Trinity
Praise forever be to Thee

(Please be seated)

#### + SERMON+

"Neglecting a Great Salvation"

Text: Hebrews 2:1-18

**Theme:** The salvation given by Jesus, our Savior, is our greatest treasure and is neglected to our greatest peril.

**Goal:** That each and every one present, living in a world with too much going on to process reflectively and where distractions abound, would see that God provides an order in the midst of chaos and a daily, lifelong relationship and application of what is truly important.

**Outline:** The Salvation Given by Jesus, Our Savior, Is Our Greatest Treasure and Is Neglected to Our Greatest Peril.

I. While some neglect can be helpful, neglecting such a great salvation is worse than lethal.

- II. But there is escape from a just retribution we have coming.
- III. And that salvation is so great because God himself made it his personal business.

(Please stand)

**OFFERTORY** LSB pages 192-193

ALL: (sing) Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

(Please be seated or kneel for the Prayer of the Church)

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: We pray for the Church, that God's people live confidently and never neglect the salvation won by Jesus Christ, but joyfully share the message of salvation in word and deed. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for the nations of the world, that the presence of Christ be experienced everywhere around the globe and that the Gospel message have free course in every land. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for our families and for those who share in our Christian fellowship and join with us in

worship. Grant that we never take them for granted, but help us to encourage the labors in which we work together to the glory of God. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for those who work in the early hours of the day for our benefit—the bread bakers, the newspaper delivery people, the school personnel, and all others whose vocations enrich our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for those with special concerns and needs this day: those who are hospitalized or shut in, those who are grieving, the unemployed and underemployed, the chronically ill, and all those whose needs are not known to us, ............Grant that we bring Your blessing to situations of need in all places. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: As we bring our prayers to You, Lord, we remember the faithful Christians whose earthly lives have been completed and who now are in Your eternal keeping. Help us to follow their examples of faith and faithfulness. And at the last, reunite us with them in the joy of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: (spoken) hear our prayer.

Pastor: These things and all else that we should have asked, grant to us with Your blessing for the sake of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please stand)

#### **¥** SACRAMENT

#### **PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

People: (spoken) And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. Colossians 3:1

People: (spoken) We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *Psalm 136* **People:** (spoken) It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. He opens the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf and brings healing to all the nations. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

#### SANCTUS (Sing) LSB 195

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory
Hosanna
Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He
Blessed is He
Blessed is He
Hosanna,
Hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by His perfect, faithful work of death and resurrection.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat Christ's body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful from every nation, language, and people the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O

Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

#### WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: (spoken) Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the

final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9–13)

All: 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.

#### **PAX DOMINI**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

#### **AGNUS DEI** (Sung) LSB 198

- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of the world have mercy upon us
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us
- O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

(Please be seated)

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB 637

Draw near and take the body of the Lord
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured
Offered was He for greatest and for least
Himself the victim and Himself the priest

He who His saints in this world rules and shields

To all believers life eternal yields

With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole

Gives living waters to the thirsting soul

Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere
And take the pledges of salvation here
O Lord our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now

#### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

(Please stand)

#### THE BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

People: (spoken) Amen.

(Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle)

#### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

#### THE NUNC DIMITTIS (sung) TLH p. 29-30

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with-out end. Amen

#### POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have renewed us by the body and blood of Christ. Empower and energize us to serve our neighbors in faith toward You and fervent love toward all people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: (spoken) Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION** Numbers 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ♣ give you peace.

People: (spoken) Amen.

#### **HYMN**

"Salvation unto Us Has Come" LSB 555 vs. 1, 9 & 10
Salvation unto us has come
By God's free grace and favor
Good works cannot avert our doom
They help and save us never
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone
Who did for all the world atone
He is our one Redeemer

Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
And rests in Him unceasing
And by its fruits true faith is known
With love and hope increasing
For faith alone can justify
Works serve our neighbor and supply
The proof that faith is living

All blessing honor thanks and praise
To Father Son and Spirit
The God who saved us by His grace
All glory to His merit
O triune God in heav'n above
You have revealed Your saving love
Your blessed name we hallow

## THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor Marie Brown, Organist Ken Kosmalski, Elder Glenn Cairns, Reader Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns, & Kim Armstrong, Ushers

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Trunk or Treat**

October 23<sup>rd</sup> 4pm to 6pm
Everyone is invited!
Flyers in the Narthex
IF you want to decorate your trunk AND pass out candy,
please sign up in the Narthex.

#### Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park

35667 W. 8 mile Rd Livonia, MI Cemetery plots for sale \$1,000 each Garden of Hope Block 16 Section 519 Graves 1, 2, 3, 4 (will split apart) Call Carl or Connie @ 734-282-4332

## Everyone, Please

Fill out a yellow attendance card & place it in the offering plate at the back of the church.

## Quilting for October

2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>

#### **Attendance**

Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am 44

#### **Prayer List**

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

#### **Anniversary**

Marilyn & Bill Switter - October 4th

#### **Birthdays**

Eleanor Wirth - October 3rd

Alyssa Gorka – October 6<sup>th</sup>

Jim Bumgarner – October 8th

Denis Glueck - October 8th

#### **For the Shut-Ins**

Ken Knick, at home
Dorothy MacTavish, at home
George Morton, at home
Mack Mayfield, at home
Carmell Faulk, at home

#### For Those Who Are Sick or Healing

**Gayle French**, Prayers for Good test results **Barbra Arno**, friend of Gayle French & Pam Benford –

**Terminal Brest Cancer** 

Mack Mayfield – approved for hip surgery on September 28<sup>th</sup>

**Shirley Griffin** – healing after surgery

**Hurricane Ida** – for the ones who lost people or items.

**COVID-19 people**- continuing prayer for healing

Pastor Tony Sikora – Home but very weak