



## **MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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**October 17, 2021 — Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
Matins (8:15 AM) & Traditional (11:00 AM) Worship Services**

## Setting Four—Holy Communion

### INTRODUCTION

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

### PRELUDE

*Aria* (Op. 51)

Flor Peeters

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We stand*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Most merciful God, **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### HYMN 416

*At the Name of Jesus*

KING'S WESTON

### GREETING

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### KYRIE (11:00)

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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE (11:00)**

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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Let us pray.

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

*We sit*

### **FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 53:4-12**

*This reading is from the last of four passages in Isaiah that are often called "servant songs." Christians are probably most familiar with this servant song. In light of Christian faith, the servant's healing ministry and redemptive suffering are understood to be fulfilled in the life and death of Christ.*

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM

Psalm 91:9-16

Cantor and Congregation

W K Davis



- <sup>9</sup>Because you have made the LORD your refuge,  
and the Most High your habitation,  
<sup>10</sup>**no evil will befall you,  
nor shall affliction come near your dwelling. Refrain**  
<sup>11</sup>For God will give the angels charge<sup>1</sup> over you,  
to guard you in all your ways.  
<sup>12</sup>**Upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone. Refrain**  
<sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion cub and viper;  
you will trample down the lion and the serpent.  
<sup>14</sup>**I will deliver those who cling to me;  
I will uphold them, because they know my name. Refrain**  
<sup>15</sup>They will call me, and I will answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them.  
<sup>16</sup>**With long life will I satisfy them,  
and show them my salvation. Refrain**

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

*Using imagery from scripture and from Jewish worship practices, Jesus is presented as the great high priest who was obedient to God's saving plan. Through his suffering and death he has become the source of eternal salvation.*

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." <sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*We stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

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## GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

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

*On the way to Jerusalem the disciples ask Jesus to grant them seats of honor. Jesus responds by announcing that he and his followers will “rule” through self-giving service.*

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” <sup>39</sup>They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” <sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**  
*We sit*

## SERMON

**HYMN 745**

*Lord, Teach Us How to Pray Aright*

**SONG 67**

## CREED

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**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 INTERCESSION

Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

## PEACE

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The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00)** *We come to you for healing, Lord* **Ruth Elaine Schram**

**HYMN 885** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessing Flow* **OLD HUNDREDTH**  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*We stand*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in the meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen**

**HYMN 814 (11:00)** *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**HYMN 814 (11:00)** *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**HYMN 814 (11:00)** *Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am* **TAKE ME AS I AM**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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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**

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Taste and see that the Lord is good.

**COMMUNION SONG**

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**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**HYMN 818**

*O Master, Let Me Walk with You*

**MARYTON**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

**BLESSING**

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Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

**HYMN 712**

*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

**BEACH SPRING**

**DISMISSAL**

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Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**

*Alle Menschen müssen sterben*

**Johann Sebastian Bach**

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**Welcome to Mt. Tabor.** We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! If you are a visitor, please fill out and return the attendance card in your pew rack so we may have a record of your attendance. Our ushers and greeters will be glad to answer any questions you may have about our worship service. We hope that you will experience the presence of the Risen Christ today!

**Altar Flowers.** Today's Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Sarah Mattern in honor of Sharon Mattern and Julie Epting for their birthdays this month.

**Bulletin Covers.** Today's Bulletin Covers are given to the glory of God in celebration of the wedding of Vicar Christine Vincent and Isaac Taylor on October 23<sup>rd</sup> given by Mt. Tabor friends.

**Lord Teach Us To Pray:**

*As God's people called to love one another, let us pray for the following members of our church family, who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Jennifer Brazell, Lynn Cain, Laurie Culpepper, Tommy Dawson IV, Garrett Haltiwanger, Elise Harmon, Michael Hash, Taylor Hash, Antonio Lyons, Emma Lyons, Meg Lyons, Pam Myers, Alison Post, Cheyenne Steele, Butch Swygert.*

**Most Recent Prayer Concerns:**

Elmer Sundlie, Will Wood, Tex Davis, Sheri Self, Rick Moorer, Gale McLeod.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:**

Barbara Stilwell, Jeanie Jacobs, Linda Wessinger, Pastor Jerry & Janice Livingston, Boyd Steele, Elise Harmon, Lucky Jones, Jennifer Brazell, Mary Hamson, Ann Callison, Adele Rodgers, Lisa Long.

**Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:**

Cole Jacobs, Murray Hoskins, Randy & Debra Knotts, Jeff Crolley, Rick & Jennifer Richardson, Joann Roof, Christopher Rector, Joe & Barbara Murphy, Betty Steele, Bill Hunnicutt.

**Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:**

Adam Davis, Andrew Hamson, Samuel Davis, Scott Hash, John Post.

**Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:**

Eli McCracken, Marcus Hayes, Tristan Mullen, Cory Fabian, Hayden Henneman, Edwin Taylor, Patrick Taylor, Edwin Torres, Josh Watson, Jacob Henry Burgan, Patrick Morris, Ben Barron, Barry Duncan, Michael Barfield, Adam Mintz, David Mathews.

**The Family Of:**

Sara Crapps, Dustin Chainey, Vivian Gaughan, Nancy Taylor Lee, Bobby Bragdon.

*Please help us keep our prayer list up to date by calling the church office with any names to be added or removed. Otherwise, names remaining on the prayer list for more than 2 months will be removed.*

**11:00 Service Worship Assistants**

*Lector*

*Sarah Whitehead*

*Greeter*

*Tom Smith*

*Nursery*

*Ushers*

*Tom Smith, Freddy Vallejo, Clyde Nelson*

*Communion Assistant*

*Annie Ruth Addy*

*Worship Assistant Coordinator*

**Worship Leaders**

*Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor*

*Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation*

*Mr. Kevin Davis, Director of Music*

*Vicar Christine Vincent, Intern*