MT. TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2019

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church

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Welcome to Mt. Tabor. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today! Please fill out and return the 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!

Mt. Tabor's Nursery. A nursery is provided during both worship services for children of suggested ages infant to four years old. However, we encourage all children to remain in worship as it is in worship that they learn the faith of the church. In an effort to ensure a safe haven for our children, parents are responsible for signing their child in and out of the nursery as stated in our Risk and Abuse Policy.

New Mother's Suite. Nursing mothers are invited to take advantage of the private space in our Mother's Suite in room 116 of the nursery wing.

Child Protection Policy. Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church is committed to being a safe place for children and youth. Our congregation has enacted policies and procedures designed to minimize the risk of abuse. Copies of our Child Protection Policy are available in the narthex and in the Church Office.

Children's Activity Bags. Children's activity bags are available in the Narthex and can be found hanging under the picture board. These bags contain coloring sheets, activity sheets and crayons for the children to use during the service as well as an information sheet for reminders about the bag. At the end of the service, the child can take home the sheets used and return the bag to the narthex so it is available for the next service. Our hope is that this children's ministry will be another way for our children to enjoy worship with their families.

Communion. Normally, communion is celebrated with wine and bread; however, those with allergies may choose to receive communion in one kind—either bread or wine. Either is an acceptable practice. Grape juice is also available.

Altar Flowers. The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Robert H. Sox with love by Jack, Lilli, Courtney and Jackson Sox.

Bulletin Covers. The bulletin covers are given to the glory of God by Penny Timmerman in honor of Pastor Wade Roof's birthday on November 14th.

Worship Leaders

Rev. Wade T. Roof, III, Senior Pastor Rev. Rus Stilwell, Pastor of Visitation Mrs. Sandra Lindler, Interim Organist Mrs. Elise Helms, Interim Choir Director Rev. Emily Willhide, Pastor of Faith Formation Vicar Justin Marx, Intern Ms. Lorie Gladyness, Seminarian

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost ELW Setting Three—Holy Communion

INTRODUCTION

We worship on the first day of the week because our Savior was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Wake, Awake" Wayne L. Wold

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, healer of our every ill, source of unending mercy. **Amen.**

Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, let us turn again to God, confessing the truth about ourselves.

Merciful God, we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us. Amen.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are + forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Hymn 645

GREETING

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 p. 138

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

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING

Job 19:23-27a

Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

²³"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! ²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! ²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; ²⁶and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, ^{27a}whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 17:1-9

Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 17:8)

Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed | to my cry;

listen to my prayer, which does not come from | lying lips.

²Let my vindication come forth | from your presence;

let your eyes be | fixed on justice.

³Examine my heart, visit | me by night,

melt me down; you will find no impuri- | ty in me.

⁴I have not regarded what | others do;

at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways | of the violent.

⁵My footsteps hold fast to your | well-worn path; and my feet | do not slip.

⁶I call upon you, O God, for you will | answer me;

incline your ear to me and | hear my words.

⁷Show me your marvelous | lovingkindness,

O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who | rise against them.

⁸Keep me as the apple | of your eye;

hide me under the shadow | of your wings,

⁹ from the wicked | who assault me,

from my deadly enemies | who surround me.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Paul writes to encourage the church at Thessalonica in a time of confusion and opposition. Here, the confusion concerned the return of Christ. Paul writes to those who were allowing their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the law-less one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. ¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

GOSPEL Luke 20:27-38

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God, to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] ²⁸and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." ³⁴Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

SERMON Pastor Emily Willhide

HYMN OF THE DAY

""Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying"

Hymn 436

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 INTERCESSION

...Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

PEACE

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

OFFERING

ANTHEM "Ave Maria" Bach/Gounod

OFFERTORY HYMN "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hvmn 885

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God our creator, you give us all we are, all we have, all we bring, and all we need. Draw us together around your table with all your saints on earth and in your eternal home. Let us eat and drink your promise of new life, that we might be your promise to the world, spoken in Jesus' name. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

HYMN

"Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am"

Hymn 814

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

"Take. Oh. Take Me As I Am"

Hymn 814

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

"Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am"

Hymn 814

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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

Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, and make us one with you.

COMMUNION

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.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken"
"We Praise You, O God"

Hymn 487

Hymn 494

Hymn 870

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

Signed and sealed by the Holy Spirit, you are Christ's message of love for this troubled world, written by the same Sender. May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, \pm comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Hymn 547

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loved us.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Anne Krentz Organ

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: Hannon Amick, Scott Busbee, Pete Davis, Carter Elledge, Nikki Elledge, Kristi Hall, Beverly Hamilton, Susan Hunnicutt, Jeannie McQuillen, Alex Morris, Rebekah Morris, John Richardson, Stephen Rowe.

This Week's Prayer Concerns:

Melvin Manus, Brittany Rister, Larry Taylor.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns:

Betty Wise, Marsha Reynolds, Michael Bradshaw, Hazel Rauch, Lynn Hostetter, Penny Timmerman, Matthew Hook, Elise Harmon, Ann Callison, Adele Rodgers, Mary Hamson, Terry Tucker, Faye Smith, Lisa Long.

Family & Loved Ones of Mt. Tabor:

Tina Scott Frye, Vladimir Puzdrjakov, Jonathan Anderson, Tommy Roof, Ed Rybicki, Elaine Jeffcoat, Gail Kneece, Tom Mosteller, Emily Windham, Christie Goldberry, Johnnie Blackburn, Byron Bullard, Wanda Hood, Murray Hoskins, Isabelle Sundlie, Bill Hunnicutt.

Members of Mt. Tabor Serving in the Military:

Andrew Hamson, Samuel Davis, Mike Willhide, Scott Hash, John Post, Dallas Phillips.

Family and Loved Ones Serving in the Military:

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, Bernd Koehler, John Ward.

The Family Of:

Jean Vasquez, Maurice Dunlap, Nancy Hutto, Cindy Maxheimer, Lois Cromer, Fred Carter.

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.

8:30 A.M.	Worship Assistants	11:00 A.M.
Leah Conrad	Acolytes	Jackson Sox
	Crucifers	Assistant Needed
Rachel Bundrick	Lectors	Nancy Stone-Collum
Sheri Self	Greeters	Barbara Stilwell
Tim Self	Ushers	Jack Sox
		Derek Monts
		Paul Addy
		Harry Prim
		Foster McLeod
Rachel Bundrick	Communion Assistants	Annie Ruth Addy
Tina Conrad	Nursery Assistants	Ragley Family
Morning Hymn Choir	Musicians	Adult Choir
Erin Hall, soloist		Erin Hall, soloist

Budget Information					
OFFERINGS: Budgeted for 2019	777,014.00				
I. Weekly Offering needed weekly to meet Budget	14,942.58				
Offering Received for November 3	19,334.21				
II. 2019 Budget Giving (November 3 - week 45 of 52)					
Offering Needed for Budget	652,166.10				
Offering Received	589,245.98				
YTD Expense	590,775.96				
Capital Campaign Total	411,372.76				
Memorials/Donations/Pledges/Transfers/Interest	2,494.11				
Capital Campaign Balance as of November 3	413,866.87				
First Citizens Loan Balance as of November 5, 2019 @ 4%	7,071.41				

Sunday School 2019 - 2020

Superintendent - Linda Spainhour & Sarah Whitehead Secretary/Treasurer - Jeanie & Paul Jacobs Nursery Pianist - Janice West

Nursery - Room 107

Nancy Allen
Dottie Ford

1, 2 & 3 Year Olds - Room 117

Barbara Livingston Tina Conrad Rhonda White Mindy Williams

Curriculum - Deep Blue

4 & 5 Year Olds - Room 307

1st Grade - Room 307

Pam Berrian Irina Roof Barbara Stilwell Betsy Sippel

Curriculum - Deep Blue

2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade - Room 304

Anna Scyphers Jimmy Williams Betsy Sippel

Curriculum - Deep Blue

College and Careers - Church office

Pastor Wade Pastor Emily Room 124 Disciples - Room 109

Joe Vasquez

Augsburg - Room 101

Charles Easley Freddie Fulmer Allen Wise

Jean Latimer, Sub

Curriculum - Augsburg Adult Bible Studies

Middle and High School - Room 301

Tommy Smith Whitney Glass Linda Spainhour

New Seekers - Room 121

Pam Burnett Janet Wood, Sub Carol Williams, Sub Don Simmons, Sub

Friends & Followers - Room 302

Harry Prim