

# THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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10:30am



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**AS WE GATHER** In the quiet refuge of this sanctuary, it may be easy to forget that we live in a world that has been marred by sin, cursed by death, and filled with wickedness. Although we confront it every day, this very present evil will not overcome us. God's desire is for us to be saved and delivered by His Son, Jesus, so that we are enabled to love, to live, and to overcome evil with good. In our worship service today, we receive the same Jesus who once overcame evil by carrying His cross to suffer for our salvation. Touncing over all the evil we will ever face, our risen Savior lives to love, to bless, and to deliver us as His people.

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** is the participation in the actual Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, the New Covenant, whose blessings are received through faith. This is a meal for those who comprehend the mystery of the Supper through instruction in God's Word and who can then publicly confess their unity of faith with us at the altar. If you are not a member of one of our sister congregations, please speak with Pastor during the week before communing. We truly want you to receive the Sacrament to your benefit and God's glory!



## **In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

**LSB 427**

*Stand - The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## **CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION**      *1 John 1:8-9*

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us therefore come before His throne of grace with humble and sincere hearts to lay our burdens down.

*Silent prayer for personal confession*

P Gracious Lord,

C **we come before You, laying the burden of our sin at the foot of Your cross. We openly acknowledge our failure to follow Your plans for our lives. We have stumbled and fallen in our service to You. We have placed our agenda ahead of Yours. We have been shallow in our love toward You and toward those You have placed in our path. We cry out for mercy, trusting in Your promise to forgive us through the love of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

P God has heard your cry for mercy and fulfills His promise to save and deliver you! Lavishing His grace upon you in Jesus, He enables you to love and forgive as He has first loved and forgiven you. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

### Service of the Word

**Introit**

*Ps. 37:5–7; antiphon: Ps. 37:4*

Delight yourself | in the LORD,\*  
**and he will give you the desires | of your heart.**

Commit your way | to the LORD;\*  
**trust in him, and | he will act.**

He will bring forth your righteousness | as the light,\*  
**and your justice as the | noonday.**

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently | for him;\*  
**fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil de- | vices!**

**Glorify 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.**

Delight yourself | in the LORD,\*  
**and he will give you the desires | of your heart.**

**Kyrie**

*LSB 204*



**☩** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**Doxology** (*Praise God from whom all blessings flow*)

*LSB 805*

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit - Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 15:15–21

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. <sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. <sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. <sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? <sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. <sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. <sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

*Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.*

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*

**for those who fear him lack | nothing!**

Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*

**but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.**

### Epistle

***Romans 12:9–21***

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. <sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

<sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand - Alleluia and Verse*

P Alleluia. Whoever would save his life will lose it,  
C **but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. Alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 16:21–28**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.  
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man." <sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? <sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. <sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed** (*As found in the back cover of the Hymnal*)

**Sit - Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus**  
**Sermon**

**LSB 531**

**Stand – 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.

For all disciples of Jesus Christ, both here at [name of the local congregation] and throughout the world, that we not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we follow You.**

Pastor: For the fulfillment of the Great Commission, that wherever the good news of salvation in Christ is proclaimed, hearts turn to the Lord and live, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we tell of You.**

Pastor: For all servant leaders in the church and in the world, that their work for our blessing show forth the goodness of Christ to the world He died to save, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we serve You.**

Pastor: For the blessing of all who hunger and thirst, for all who are weary and heavy-laden, and for all who are without house or income, that they seek the restoration the Lord's good hand provides, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we are cared for by You.**

Pastor: For all who willingly put themselves in the path of evil for the sake of other people's good, including military members, law enforcement officers, and emergency workers, that they be protected by the Lord's mighty hand, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we are protected by You.**

Pastor: For all who ail in heart, mind, and body, [*especially* . . .], that they be touched by the healing hand of our Savior and filled with the presence of His comforting Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we are healed by You.**

Pastor: For these and all other concerns we have, that coming before the throne of grace we find mercy to help us in our time of need, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Bless us, Jesus, as we trust You to hear and answer our prayers.**

**Amen.**

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P 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, for the rescuing work of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who overcame evil by the goodness of His death and resurrection. Abiding in His goodness and love, we take up our cross and follow our Savior, receiving from Him the blessing of forgiveness. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

LSB 208

- C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our world to trounce evil and its deception by His death upon the cross. With joyful hearts, we receive the victory over death and the grave, which He secured for us by rising from the tomb.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we ask You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Give us faith to receive Your Son, Jesus Christ, to take up our cross daily, and to overcome the evil of our world with the goodness of the One who died for us all. With gratitude in our hearts, we praise You, O Father, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**Lord's Prayer** (*As found in the back cover of the Hymnal*)

### **The Words of Our Lord**

#### **Pax Domini**

*LSB 209*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C Amen.**

#### **Agnus Dei**

*LSB 210*

**C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

*Sit – Distribution - The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive.*

### **Instrumental Hymn**

**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

*LSB 425*

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**O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**

**All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name  
resounding  
Through all eternity.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through the gracious gift of Your Son's body and blood. Now that we have received our Savior's goodness, help us to face the evil of our world in the strength and blessing of Him who died for us all; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

**Benedicamus and Benediction**

P Do not be overcome by evil,

C **but overcome evil with good.**

P Go forth with the blessing of your good and gracious God:

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 T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

**Christ Be My Leader**

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