

NEW BEGINNINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost – October 20th, 2024 (11:11 am)

MONEY AND RICHNESS

Psalm 119:9-16

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

Hebrews 4:1-16

Mark 10:23-31

By the Voluntary Poverty of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of God

To love and trust in earthly wealth is vanity. For nothing of this earth will last forever, nor can any of it grant eternal life (Eccl. 5:10). But the one who trusts in God is “*occupied with joy in his heart*” and is able to sleep in peace, “*whether he eats little or much,*” because he knows that the “*days of his life*” are “*the gift of God*” (Eccl. 5:12, 18-20). The person who trusts in riches cannot sleep, because he “*shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand*” (Eccl. 5:15). Therefore, it is difficult “*for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God*” (Mark 20:23). Indeed, it is impossible for man, yet “*all things are possible with God*” (Mark 20:27). Thus, the Rich Man, Jesus Christ, has made Himself poor and has gone through “*the eye of a needle,*” through death and the grave, “*to enter the kingdom of God*” on our behalf (Mark 20:24-25). He is the “*great high priest who has passed through the heavens*” (Heb. 4:14), so that we may now enter His Sabbath rest by faith in His forgiveness (Heb. 4:3-9).

WELCOME (Cam)

WORSHIP SONGS

EVERLASTING GOD

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Our God You reign forever

Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

You are the everlasting God

The everlasting God

You do not faint

You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak

***You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles***

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GOD SO LOVED

Come all you weary
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water
Come and thirst no more
 Come all you sinners
 Come find His mercy
 Come to the table He will satisfy
 Taste of His goodness
 Find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him will live forever

 Bring all your failures
 Bring your addictions
 Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
 Jesus is waiting there
 With open arms

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him will live forever

The power of hell forever defeated

Now it is well I'm walking in freedom

For God so loved God so loved the world

Praise God praise God
 From whom all blessings flow
 Praise Him praise Him
 For the wonders of His love

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save

 Bring all your failures

Bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting
God so loved the world

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CALLING ON GOD'S NAME

P – We worship this day in the name of our Triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

TOGETHER – God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

(Time of silence)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P – Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this surpassing grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Go in peace, your sins are forgiven. Amen.

WORSHIP SONG – HOW GREAT THOU ART (UNTIL THAT DAY)

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all
The works Thy hand hath made
I see the stars
I hear the mighty thunder
Thy pow'r throughout
The universe displayed

***Then sings my soul
My Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul***

***My Saviour God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art***

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin
 When Christ shall come
 With shout of acclamation
 And take me home
 What joy shall fill my heart
 Then shall I bow
 In humble adoration
 And there proclaim
 My God how great Thou art
Until that day
When heaven bids us welcome
And as we walk
This broken warring world
Your kingdom come
Deliver us from evil
And we'll proclaim
Our God how great You are

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OLD TESTAMENT READING – ECCLESIASTES 5:10–20 (Vince)

¹⁰He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹²Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸Behold, what I have seen to be good, and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil – this is the gift of God. ²⁰For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

EPISTLE READING – HEBREWS 4:1-16 (Vince)

Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ²For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” ⁵And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.”

⁶Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.”

⁸For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

¹¹Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹²For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And no creature is hidden from

his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

¹⁴Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

GOSPEL READING – MARK 10:17-31 (Vince)

¹⁷And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

²³And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God.” ²⁸Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

KID’S SONG – BLESSED ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine

Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

***This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long***

Perfect submission perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy whispers of love
Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with His goodness lost in His love

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KID'S MOMENT – PUPPET “BILLY AND BOBBY”

WORSHIP SONG – HE KNOWS MY NAME

I have a Maker
He formed my heart
Before even time began
My life was in His hand

***He knows my name
He knows my every thought
He sees each tear that falls
And hears me when I call***

I have a Father
He calls me His own
He'll never leave me
No matter where I go

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SERMON – “MONEY AND RICHNESS” (Mark 10:17–31)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God, the CREATOR of all things, the source of all goodness and love. He is our God and we are His people.

We believe in JESUS CHRIST, the Son of God, true God yet true man. He was crucified, died, and was buried for our sin - that we might be free and know the joy of life. He was raised on the third day and ascended to heaven. He will come again in power and glory to judge both the living and the dead.

We believe in the HOLY SPIRIT, the power of God at work inside of us. We believe in the Church of God, the people of faith throughout the world. We believe that our sin is forgiven and that we will live together with God for now and throughout eternity. Amen.

WORSHIP SONGS - CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for Thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Thro' all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of Heaven
Enthroned in worlds above
Crown Him the King to whom is given
The wondrous Name of Love
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall
Crown him ye kings with many crowns
For He is King of all.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH – (Prayer)

LORD'S PRAYER (Prayer)

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.

PREPARATION TO HOLY COMMUNION – ABOVE ALL

Above all powers above all kings
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began
 Above all kingdoms above all thrones
 Above all wonders the world has ever known
 Above all wealth and treasures of the earth
 There's no way to measure
 What You're worth

***Crucified laid behind the stone
You lived to die rejected and alone
Like a rose trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me
Above all***

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'As a Lutheran Church, we believe that Jesus' body and blood are really and truly present in the Lord's Supper. And we believe that Jesus is giving real and true spiritual gifts to us through this eating and drinking: forgiveness, life, and salvation. It is pure gospel for our comfort and spiritual strength.

COMMUNION PREPARATION

These are our statements about Holy Communion:

- **I know I am a sinner.**

¹ "It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ for us Christians to eat and to drink."
(<https://catechism.cph.org/en/sacrament-of-the-altar.html>)

- I believe that Jesus is my personal Savior.
- I believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine.
- I intend, with God's help, to change my sinful life and live for him.
- I understand that when I come to this table, I publicly state that I believe these things.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (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 his disciples and said: "*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*"

DISTRIBUTION – SONGS:

HOLY AND ANOINTED ONE

Jesus Jesus

Holy and Anointed One

Jesus

Jesus Jesus

Risen and Exalted One

Jesus

Your name is like honey on my lips

Your Spirit like water to my soul

Your Word is a lamp unto my feet

Jesus I love You I love You

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FAITHFUL ONE

Faithful One so unchanging

Ageless One You're my Rock of peace

Lord of all I depend on You

I call out to You again and again

I call out to You again and again

You are my Rock in times of trouble

You lift me up when I fall down

All through the storm

***Your love is the anchor
My hope is in You alone***

My hope is in You
My hope is in You
Our hope is in You alone

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING (Pastor)

THANKS TO THE LORD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS – OFFICIALIZATION

BENEDICTION (Together)

**ALL TOGETHER: 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 favour and give YOU peace. Amen.**

(Official Picture)

CLOSING SONGS – ALLELUIA HE IS COMING

I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-coming
I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-coming down the road

Alleluia He is coming

Alleluia He is here

Alleluia He is coming

Alleluia He is here

I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-weeping
I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-weeping for my sins

I looked up

And I saw my Lord a-dying

I looked up

And I saw my Lord a-dying on the cross
I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-rising
I looked up
And I saw my Lord a-rising from the grave

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