



“Church & Faith”
Sunday, October 10, 2021 9:00AM
Worship Service

AS WE GATHER

God’s people are called to live each hour of the day following the example set by Jesus. Many Christian people find opportunity for personal devotion at the beginning of the day or as the day draws to its close. Yet all day long there are occasions for praying, praising, and giving thanks. In the formal worship sequence observed in structured Christian communities such as monasteries, a noontime service called Sext, named for noon—the sixth hour of the day, provided a midpoint for a day filled with devotion. The psalmist affirms that every hour is a good hour to bless the Lord, writing: “My tongue shall tell of Your righteousness and of Your praise all the day long” (Psalm 35:28).

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING THREE

CALL TO WORSHIP

“All Creatures of our God and King”

arr. Thompson

WELCOME

BELL CHOIR ANTHEM

“Bright and Beautiful”

arr. Mokelbust

OPENING HYMN

“Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”

LSB 904

- 1 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word
 We are gathered all to hear You.
 Let our hearts and souls be stirred
 Now to seek and love and fear You,
 By Your teachings, sweet and holy,
 Drawn from earth to love You solely.

- 2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight
 Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
 Till Your Spirit breaks our night
 With the beams of truth unclouded.
 You alone to God can win us;
 You must work all good within us.

- 3 Gracious Savior, good and kind,
 Light of Light, from God proceeding,
 Open now our heart and mind;
 Help us by Your Spirit’s pleading.
 Hear the cry Your Church now raises;
 Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

- △ 4 Father, Son, and Spirit, Lord,
 Praise to You and adoration!
 Grant that we may trust Your Word,
 Confident of our salvation,
 While we here below must wander,
 Till we sing Your praises yonder.

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Stand

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

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 112:3–6; antiphon: v. 1

P Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who fears the LORD,

C **who greatly delights in his commandments!**

P Wealth and riches are in his house,

C **and his righteousness endures forever.**

P Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;

C **he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

P It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;

C **who conducts his affairs with justice.**

P For the righteous will never be moved;

C **he will be remembered forever.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P Praise the LORD! Blessèd is the man who fears the LORD,

C **who greatly delights in his commandments!**

KYRIE (LSB 186)

C Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (LSB 187)

P Glory be to God on high:
C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,
⁷O you who turn justice to wormwood
and cast down righteousness to the earth! . . .
¹⁰They hate him who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor him who speaks the truth.
¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.
¹²For I know how many are your transgressions
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and turn aside the needy in the gate.
¹³Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time,
for it is an evil time.
¹⁴Seek good, and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil, and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 3:12–19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA (LSB 190)

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:17–22

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLE’S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

HYMN of the DAY

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

LSB 702

- 1 My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!
- 2 May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire!
As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.
- 4 When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul!

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SERMON

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P As God's beloved children, invited by Jesus to come to Him without hindrance, let us pray for the Church, the world, and ourselves, trusting the mighty mercy of our Lord. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P For the Church, that the Lord deliver us from arrogance and instead turn our hearts toward the mercy of Jesus, so that the Church becomes increasingly an agent of God's mercy in the lives of people in our community. For our Synod—our president, district presidents, pastors, teachers, and all servants of the Church—that they not become puffed up with pride or be made timid by weakness, but, relying on the mercy of Jesus, show mercy to one another and to the world. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P For this nation in which we live, in thanksgiving for the abundance of life and freedom that we enjoy. For the president and Congress, for our governor and local elected officials, that all work for the common good and serve not themselves, and especially for those who are struggling. That this nation so divided along political lines would repent of our hatred of those who differ from us and, based on our one common humanity, work to resolve our differences with reason and kindness. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P For those in need in our community—the sick, those facing surgery, those with terminal illness, [*especially* . . .], that they receive mercy and healing according to God's will, that their hearts be opened to receive the love of Christ, and that they find peace in the love of Jesus. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P For this congregation, that, having received the mercy of Jesus, we find ways to bring God's mercy to the people around us—family, co-workers, friends, and strangers alike. We pray especially for children in vulnerable situations—those not yet born, those experiencing family division, and those struggling with poverty. Show us how to extend to these little ones mercy and to open our arms to them as Jesus did. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P In remembrance of and thanksgiving for all those who have gone before us in the faith, for the mercy they showed us, for the examples of faith they gave us, for the joy they brought to our lives, we give thanks. [*We especially remember today* . . .]. With them, rescue us from every evil and bring us safely into Your heavenly kingdom. God of mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Let Your Holy Spirit breathe the prayers of our hearts that remain unspoken, and hear these spoken prayers in the mercy You show for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. To God be the glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

BENEDICAMUS

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“All Depends on Our Possessing”

LSB 732

- 1 All depends on our possessing
God's abundant grace and blessing,
Though all earthly wealth depart.
They who trust with faith unshaken
By their God are not forsaken
And will keep a dauntless heart.
- 2 He who to this day has fed me
And to many joys has led me
Is and ever shall be mine.
He who ever gently schools me,
He who daily guides and rules me
Will remain my help divine.
- 3 Many spend their lives in fretting
Over trifles and in getting
Things that have no solid ground.
I shall strive to win a treasure
That will bring me lasting pleasure
And that now is seldom found.
- 4 When with sorrow I am stricken,
Hope anew my heart will quicken;
All my longing shall be stilled.
To His loving-kindness tender
Soul and body I surrender,
For on God alone I build.
- 5 Well He knows what best to grant me;
All the longing hopes that haunt me,
Joy and sorrow, have their day.
I shall doubt His wisdom never;
As God wills, so be it ever;
I commit to Him my way.
- 6 If my days on earth He lengthen,
God my weary soul will strengthen;

All my trust in Him I place.
Earthly wealth is not abiding,
Like a stream away is gliding;
Safe I anchor in His grace.

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