

Traditional Worship

October 23, 2022 - 20th
Sunday after Pentecost

Length
in mins

0:00 Prelude
Larry Stokes, organ

Welcome & Announcements (Dave)

Invocation

0:00 (Dave)
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

**Length
in mins**

Confession & Forgiveness

0:00 (Dave)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.
We have failed to do justice, love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Hymn

0:00 "God is Here" ELW #526

- 1 God is here! As we your people
meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure
what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us,
all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit
into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us
of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit;
here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching,
here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal,
God the Spirit comes to each.
- 3 Here our children find a welcome
in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken,
Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant
seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living
to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom,
in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel;
help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication,
all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you,
we adore you! We believe!

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Length in mins

Greeting

0:00 (Dave)

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.

Hymn of Praise

0:00 (Organ & Congregation)

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

Prayer of the Day

0:00 (Dave)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray. Holy God, our righteous judge,
daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Children's Homily

0:00 (Ruth)

**Length
in mins**

First Reading (Dave)

0:00 Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

7Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O Lord, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,
and we have sinned against you.

8O hope of Israel,
its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveler turning aside for the night?
9Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!

10Thus says the Lord concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the Lord does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.

19Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

20We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.

21Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

22Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O Lord our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

Word of God, word of life!
Thanks be to God!

**Length
in mins**

Psalm

0:00 Psalm 84:1-7 (read responsively)

- 1 How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

 - (2 My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.)

 - 3 Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

 - (4 Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.)

 - 5 Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

 - (6 As they go through the valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.)

 - 7 They go from strength to strength;
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.
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Second Reading (Dave)

0:00 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

6As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. 7I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

16At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! 17But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. 18The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God, word of life!
Thanks be to God!

Gospel (Ruth)

0:00 Luke 18:9-14

The holy gospel according to St. Luke, the 18th chapter.

(Glory to you, O Lord)

9[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: 10“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ 13But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ 14I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The gospel of the Lord.

(Praise to you, O Christ)

**Length
in mins**

Homily

0:00 Pastor Ruth Hamilton

Are we the Pharisee or the tax collector? The answer is we are both. No matter which one we act like on a given day we can trust in God's mercy for our salvation because it's not about our actions, but about God's grace and the Cross; however our actions matter as we identify as Christians and that says something about how we interact with the world around us.

Length
in mins

Hymn of the Day

0:00 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" ELW #631

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.
- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 4 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

**Length
in mins**

Apostles' Creed

0:00 (Dave)

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

**Length
in mins**

Prayers of Intercession

0:00 Prayers for 10/23/22

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation. A brief silence.

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your Church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare, especially Ukraine and Iran. Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, especially Phyllis Cavaleri, Jamie and Anna Witt, . Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Bring us with them into your presence. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Musical Offering

0:00 Musical Offering

**Length
in mins**

The Great Thanksgiving

0:00 (Dave)

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus
Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

0:00 (Organ)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna
in the highest.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

0:00 The 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

**Length
in mins**

Holy Communion

Communion Song

0:00 "O Lord, We Praise You" ELW #499

- 1 O Lord, we praise you, bless you, and adore you,
in thanksgiving bow before you.
Here with your body and your blood you nourish
our weak souls that they may flourish.
O Lord, have mercy!
May your body, Lord, born of Mary,
that our sins and sorrows did carry,
and your blood for us plead
in all trial, fear, and need:
O Lord, have mercy!
- 2 Your holy body into death was given,
life to win for us in heaven.
No greater love than this to you could bind us;
may this feast of that remind us!
O Lord, have mercy!
Lord, your kindness so much did move you
that your blood now moves us to love you.
All our debt you have paid;
peace with God once more is made.
O Lord, have mercy!
- 3 Lord God, bestow on us your grace and favor,
that we follow Christ our Savior
and live together here in love and union,
nor repent this blest communion.
O Lord, have mercy!
Let not your good Spirit forsake us,
by this holy banquet remake us.
Give your church, Lord, to see
days of peace and unity.
O Lord, have mercy!

Text: German hymn, 15th cent., st. 1; Martin Luther, 1483-1546, sts. 2-3; tr. composite

Communion Blessing

0:00 (Dave)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.
Amen.

**Length
in mins**

Sending Prayer

0:00 (Dave)

God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Benediction

0:00 (Dave)

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 give you peace. In the name of the Father,
the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

**Length
in mins**

Sending Hymn

0:00 "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" ELW #618

- 1 Guide me ever, great Redeemer,
 pilgrim through this barren land.
 I am weak, but you are mighty;
 hold me with your pow'rful hand.
 Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
 feed me now and evermore,
 feed me now and evermore.
- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
 where the healing waters flow;
 let the fire and cloudy pillar
 lead me all my journey through.
 Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer,
 shield me with your mighty arm,
 shield me with your mighty arm.
- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
 bid my anxious fears subside;
 death of death and hell's destruction,
 land me safe on Canaan's side.
 Songs and praises, songs and praises,
 I will raise forevermore,
 I will raise forevermore.

Text: William Williams, 1717-1791; tr. William Williams and Peter Williams, 1722-1796, alt.

Dismissal

0:00 (Dave)

Go in peace with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God!

Postlude-Larry Stokes, organ

0:00
