

Sunday, October 23, 2022
10:30 a.m.

*For God has not
called us for impurity,
but in holiness.*

1 THESSALONIANS 4:7 (ESV)



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WELCOME

We give thanks for the gracious gift of faith the Holy Spirit has given us. We know that our Lord took our punishment but is now alive forever. How then shall we respond? In today's lesson, Paul urges us to love one another, to aspire to live quiet, decent lives, and even to "live properly before outsiders." Whenever we live that way, we are only reflecting what God has done for us. Today's reading asks us to consider how we shall respond to God's grace, today and each day He gives us.

PRELUDE

INVOCATION

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

[C] Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *1 Thessalonians 4:7, 9; Matthew 23:10–12*

[P] God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness.

[C] For we have been taught by God to love one another.

[P] You have one instructor, the Christ.

[C] The greatest among you shall be your servant.

[P] Whoever exalts himself will be humbled,

[C] and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

PRAYER

[P] Let us pray. Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden,

[C] cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name;

[P] through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

[C] Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

[P] Let us go to our gracious God, asking for forgiveness.

Kneel/Stand

Although You have taught us to love one another, heavenly Father, we still act selfishly. We do not always seek the holiness of living You desire.

[C] **Forgive us, and create in us clean hearts.**

[P] Although You gave Your life to serve our deepest needs, Lord Jesus, we do not always seek to use our God-given gifts to serve others in love.

[C] **Forgive us, and lead us in Your servant ways.**

[P] Although You have given us faith to trust in Your plans for us, O Holy Spirit, we have made prideful decisions instead of humbly asking Your guidance.

[C] **Forgive us, and renew a right spirit within us.**

[P] Our gracious heavenly Father gave His Son not only to set an example but to take away the sin of the world. Because He has taken on Himself the punishment due us, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **[C]** **Amen.**

Stand

GREETING OF PEACE *As you introduce yourself and greet those around you, please be mindful of others who do not wish to shake hands. Other options while saying the following greeting are placing your hand on your heart, a head nod or bowing, with these or similar words: Peace be with you/And also with you.*

SERVICE OF THE WORD

HYMN

“Renew in Me O Eternal Light”

1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
 2 Re - move the pow'r of sin from me And cleanse all
 3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
 4 Grant that I on - ly You love And seek those

heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
 my im - pu - ri - ty That I may have the
 I o - bey Your Word. Let what You will be
 things which are a - bove Till I be - hold You

light of grace That is - sues from Your ho - ly face.
 strength and will Temp - ta - tions of the flesh to still.
 my de - sire, And with new life my soul in - spire.
 face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through Your grace.

Text: Johann Friedrich Ruopp, 1672–1708; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
 Tune: *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625; setting: *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

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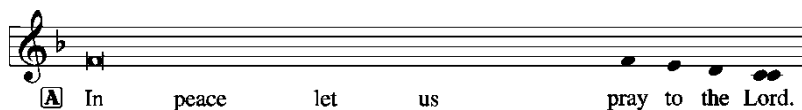
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2 Cor. 3:18; Col. 3:1–10; Ps. 51:10–12

GREETING

[P] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **[C]** **And also with you.**

KYRIE



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



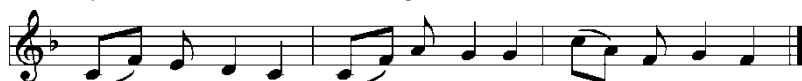
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
 2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
 Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.

P Let us pray. Merciful and gracious Lord, You cause Your Word to be proclaimed in every generation. Stir up our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may receive this proclamation with humility and finally be exalted at the coming of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING I Thessalonians 4:1-12

Finally, brothers and sisters, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus that, as you learned from us how you ought to live and to please God (as, in fact, you are doing), you should do so more and more. For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from fornication; that each one of you knows how to control your own body in holiness and honour, not with lustful passion, like the Gentiles who do not know God; that no one wrongs or exploits a brother or sister in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, just as we have already told you beforehand and solemnly warned you. For God did not call us to impurity but in holiness. Therefore whoever rejects this rejects not human authority but God, who also gives his Holy Spirit to you.

Now concerning love of the brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anyone write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another; and indeed you do love all the brothers and sisters throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, beloved, to do so more and more, to aspire to live quietly, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we directed you, so that you may behave properly towards outsiders and be dependent on no one.

R This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The second staff contains 'These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that'. The third staff contains 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.' The fourth staff contains 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' Each staff begins with a common time signature 'C'.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator 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 again 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.

Sit

MESSAGE

"Life Goals"

Stand

HYMN

“Fruitful Trees the Spirit's Sowing”

1 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's sow - ing, May we rip - en
2 Lad - en branch - es free - ly bear - ing Gifts the Giv - er
3 Root - ed deep in Christ our Mas - ter, Christ our pat - tern
4 Fruit - ful trees, the Spir - it's tend - ing, May we grow till

and in - crease, Fruit to life e - ter - nal grow - ing,
loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by shar - ing,
and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly fast - er,
har - vests cease; Till we taste, in life un - end - ing,

Rich in love and joy and peace.
Pa - tience, kind - ness, gen - tle - ness.
Good - ness, faith, and self - con - trol.
Heav - en's love and joy and peace.

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John 15:1–9; Gal. 5:22–23; Eph. 5:8–10; Luke 6:43–45

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with “Lord, in your mercy,” to which the congregation responds, “Hear our prayer.”

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C** **Amen.**

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING *You may contribute online by texting the amount to 517-879-0989 and following the prompts. Gifts may also be placed in the offering plate at the door along with the interest sheet.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC “Send Down the Fire”

Choir, directed by Yatidi Lightfoot

Marty Haugen

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand

[P] Let us pray. Merciful Father,

[C] we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE

[P] The Lord be with you.

[C] And also with you.

[P] Lift up your hearts.

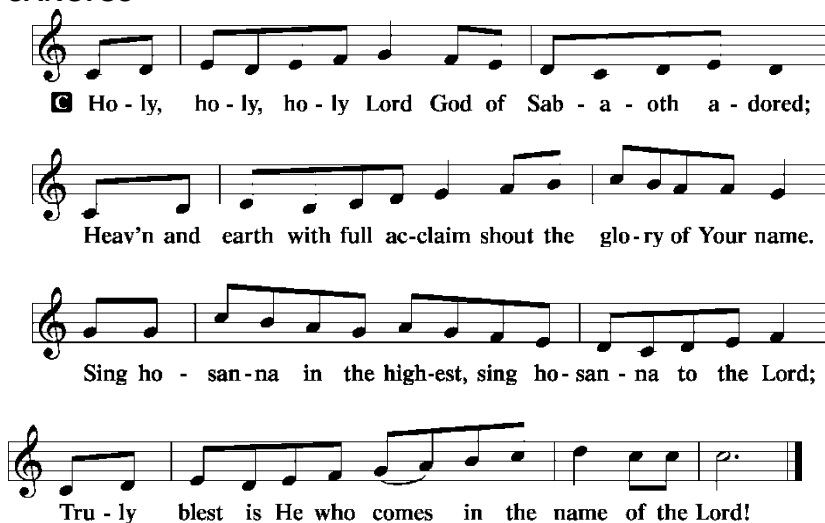
[C] We lift them to the Lord.

[P] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[C] It is right to give God 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, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P 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 the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P 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. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.

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.

LAMB OF GOD

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION *You are invited to approach the altar when you are ready, as places open. The communion elements are individually packaged for each person. The bread is in one end of the chalice, the wine is in the other. Gluten free bread and grape juice are also available.*

HYMN “In My Life Lord, Be Glorified”

C G/B Am Em
In my life, Lord,
(Your Church)
Dm7 Dm7/C B \flat Gsus G7 C G/B
be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied. In my
(Your)

Am Em Dm7 Gsus G7 C

life, (Church) Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

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Stand

- [P] The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace. **C Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS

C 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- [P]** Let us pray.
- [P]** O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in the Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **[C] Amen.**

BENEDICTION

- [P]** 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. **[C] Amen.**
- [P]** Go in peace; serve the Lord. **[C] Thanks be to God!**

“Let us Talents and Tongues Employ”

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POSTLUDE

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Our Confession about Communion

Our Confession

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

Readers this Morning: Joe Beaubien

Assisting with Communion: Mike Nevells