

Sermon

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Hymn of the Day

Servant's Prayer (guitar)

Insert

Apostles Creed

**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**

Offering (*The children's offering basket is on the floor in front of the altar so that they can in yet another way feel involved in Sunday worship*)



Offertory Hymn

Everybody's Got Something to Offer

Insert

Prayers of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn

Go Light Your World

Insert

Sending:

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

C: Thanks Be to God!

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Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!!

"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to become a member, contact any member or the church office."

Sunday, September 25th, 2022; 9:30 am Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Sharing of the Peace

Invocation

Call to Worship

P: God of abundant grace,

C: may your Holy Spirit be with us now as we worship you this day.

P: Open our eyes to truly see one another,

C: that we might discover your presence in the smile of a neighbor.

P: Open our ears to the needs of the world,

C: that we might hear your wisdom in the words spoken around us.

P: And open our hearts to your grace and love,

**C: that we might find guidance and strength for the journey,
for ourselves and for one another. Amen**

Opening Hymn

Let It Be Said of Us

Insert

Prayer of the Day (All)

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Baptismal Hymn

Children of the Heavenly Father

ELW#781 (vss. 1-2)

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father safely in his bosom gather; nestling bird nor star in heaven such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God his own doth tend and nourish, in his holy courts they flourish.

From all evil things he spares them, in his mighty arms he bears them.

Service of Holy Baptism

ELW p. 227

Oaklynn Jean Guischer is baptized today. Her parents, Dustin and Caitlyn Guischer with sponsors Luke Milne & Hailey Milne (brother and sister of Dustin), along with the faith community called Beaver Valley, celebrate her new birth in Christ.

Baptismal Hymn

Children of the Heavenly Father

ELW#781 (vss. 3-4)

- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever from the Lord his children sever;
unto them his grace he showeth, and their sorrows all he knoweth.
- 4 Though he giveth or he taketh, God his children ne'er forsaketh;
his the loving purpose solely to preserve them pure and holy.

First Lesson

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Gary Parker

- ^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Second Lesson

1 Timothy 6:6-19

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus

Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Alleluia Verse

More Precious than Silver

Lord, You are more precious than silver.
Lord, You are more costly than gold.
Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds
And nothing I desire compares with You. (*repeat*)

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

*(Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**)*

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

*(Response after the conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.**)*

Children’s Sermon

Bruce Bonander