

Offering *(The children's offering basket will be on the front steps of the church, so that they can in yet another way feel involved in Sunday worship)*



Offertory Hymn

Give Thanks

Insert

Prayers of the Church

Lord's 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

Benediction

Closing Hymn

Send Us Out

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, October 22, 2023; 9:30 am

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Sharing of the Peace/Invocation

Call to Worship

P: Though there are rulers, presidents, kings, queens, God is the Lord of all life.

C: In God we live and move and have our being.

P: God requires our faithfulness and our service.

C: We reach out to others with the same kind of love with which God has touched our lives.

P: Come, let us worship the Lord who unites the kingdoms of heaven and earth.

C: Let us praise God who walks daily by our side. AMEN.

Opening Hymn

He Knows My Name

Insert

Prayer of the Day (All)

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Lesson

Isaiah 45:1-7

Harley Drew

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:

²I will go before you and level the mountains,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
³I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know me.
⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
⁷I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.

Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.
²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers,
constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and
steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by
God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word
only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what
kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us
and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the
Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in
Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and
Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to
speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had
among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to
wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from
the wrath that is coming.

Alleluia Verse

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

ELW #517 (vs. 1)

Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

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

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their
disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere,
and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do
not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to
the emperor, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to
the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a
denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” ²¹They answered,
“The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the
emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard this, they were amazed;
and they left him and went away.

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

Children’s Sermon

Beth Flier

Sermon

“Life in two Kingdoms”

Pastor Greg Johnson

Hymn of the Day

You Are My All in All

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**