Twenty - Third Sunday after Pentecost

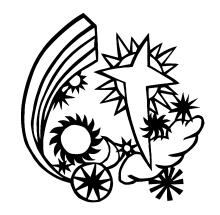
November 13, 2022

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Musical Accompanists Tami Elefson – Medora – Jean Franklin – Belfield

A warm welcome to all visitors and friends. We hope you are blessed by worshipping with us today.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Announcements *Stand

Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness {p 77}

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: 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, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

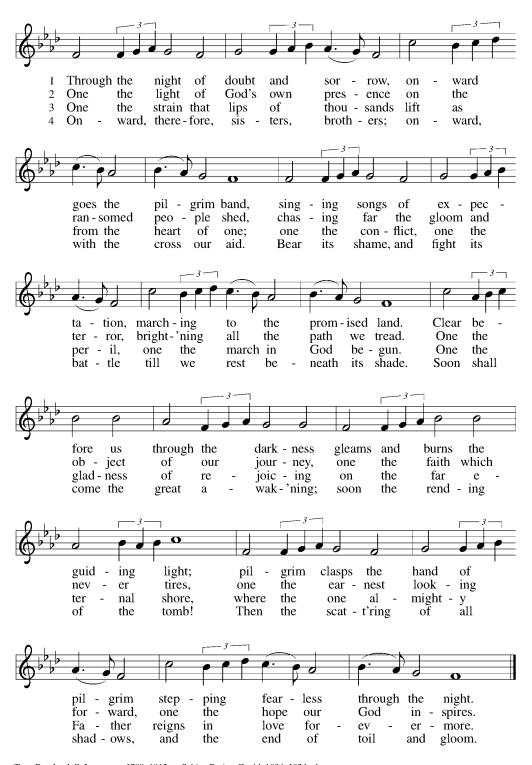
Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Hymn #355 - Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow



Text: Bernhardt S. Ingemann, 1789–1862; tr. Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924, alt. Music: EBENEZER, Thomas J. Williams, 1869–1944

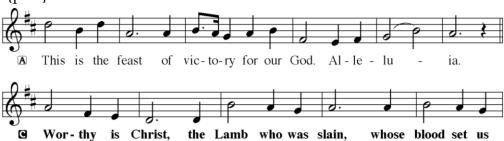
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

The Kyrie {p 78}



Hymn of Praise {p 81}





The Lord be with you **And also with You**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Congregation is seated

We Hear God's Word

First Reading - Malachi 4:1-2a

¹See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a}But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 98

¹Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things, whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.

²O LORD, you have made known your victory,

you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.

³You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁴Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁵Sing to the LORD with the harp,

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁶With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the king, the LORD.

7Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world and those who dwell therein.

8Let the rivers clap their hands,

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.

⁹The LORD will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Stand



The Holy Gospel - Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel according to _____, the ____ chapter.



⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, 6" As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." ⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" 8And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. 9"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." 10Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 12" But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord



^{*}Congregation is seated

Children's Sermon

The Sermon

Hymn #453 - If You but Trust in God to Guide You



Text: Georg Neumark, 1621–1681; tr. composite, alt. Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark, 1621–1681

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We Respond to God's Word

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Apostles' Creed {p 85}

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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

Prayers of the People {p85}

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

Prayer Response: Lord, In your Mercy

Hear our Prayer

Remembering those in our prayers: Family of RoseMarie Andreas, Family of Purn Webb, Schuhrke family, Philip Malkowski, Steven Cowan, Denise Cowan, Jeannie Redmond, Dale Oyhus, Mary Knotts, Bryce Wigert, Norma Newton, Lanie Nichols, Margaret Braun, Johnny Syminow, Mark Hinrichs, Nicole Koegl, Lincoln Lee Johnson, Duane Davis, Carmen Ruud, Becky Yadon, Carol Johnson, Monica Hushka, Mark Trechock, Janeen Nichols, Marilyn Oyhus, Mindy O'Brien, Chandler Nichols, Bennette Mansfield, those who have lost their jobs, those with mental illness, those seeking Sobriety, those struggling with infertility, all troops & those working for peace in our world.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Sharing of God's Peace {p 86}

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

*Congregation is seated

We Share God's Gifts

Offering

Offertory Hymn {p 86}



Offertory Prayer {p 88}

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen *Stand

We Share in The Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving {p 88-89}

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 him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

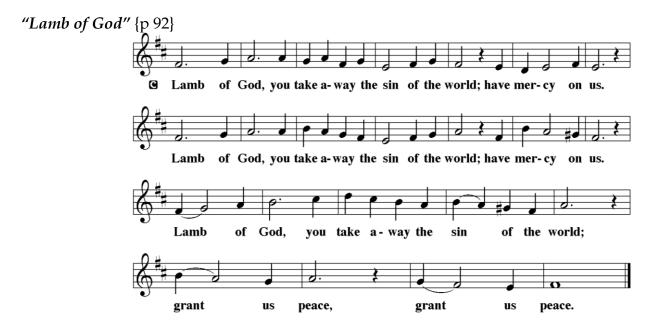
The Lord's Prayer {p 91}
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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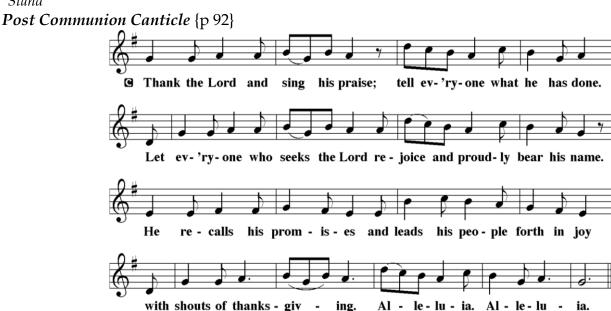
Communion Distribution

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please come forward and hold out your hands in the form of a cross or a cradle to receive the body of Christ. Choose a cup of red wine or white grape juice. If you are only able to receive one of the two elements, please know that you receive the fullness of Christ in one element. You may choose to receive a simple blessing if you prefer. Please notify an usher or the pastor if you have difficulty coming forward and communion will be brought to you.



We are Sent Forth with God's Blessings

*Stand



Communion Prayer {p 94}

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benediction

Hymn #507 - How Firm a Foundation



Text: J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt. Music: FOUNDATION, early American

Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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**Travis Olson, Financial Professional with Thrivent, is visiting us today in Belfield. Did you know Thrivent has funds available for us to use in fundraisers? Did you know Thrivent has savings opportunities for us? Travis is joining us for worship and will share a brief presentation for us at coffee hour. He will be available for questions and answers. Come and find out how Thrivent can help you!

** The Belfield Lutheran Cemetery is looking for an apprentice Sexton. Wes Schurke, the current Sexton, would like to begin teaching someone what needs to be done to take care of the cemetery and what to do in the event he is not available when a family is in need of a plot. If you are interested in learning this very important job, please contact Cory Smith at 701-590-4662.

Today

8:30 am - Medora Lutheran Worship

9:00 am - Sunday School at Belfield Lutheran Church

10:00 am - Belfield Lutheran Worship

6:00 pm - Bible Study at Dwelle's home - please RSVP

Monday, November 14

6:30 pm - Belfield Council Meeting at Belfield Lutheran Church

Tuesday, November 15

3:30 pm - Pastor's Bible Study at Belfield Lutheran Church

8:00 pm - AA Meeting at Belfield Lutheran Church

Wednesday, November 16

5:30 pm - Confirmation at Belfield Lutheran Church

7:00 pm - Choir Practice at Belfield Lutheran Church

Thursday, November 17

7:00 pm - Bible Study at Belfield Lutheran Church

Friday, November 18

8:00 pm – AA Meeting at Medora Lutheran Church

Sunday, November 20

8:30 am – Medora Lutheran Worship

9:00 am – Sunday School at Belfield Lutheran Church

10:00 am - Belfield Lutheran Worship

11:45 am – Daglum Lutheran Worship

2:00 pm - Badlands Ministries Annual Meeting

 $6{:}00~pm$ – Bible Study at Dwelle's home – please RSVP

Announcements – Please send any announcements by Wednesday evening to Tami Elefson: call or text 701-290-4107 or email: belfieldlutheran@gmail.com or medoralutheranchurch@gmail.com

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