

# Worship Bulletin

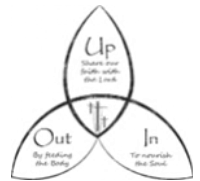
21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
OCT. 22, 2023

PASTOR TOM VOLKER



## Welcome! WE PRAISE GOD FOR YOUR PRESENCE!

May the Holy Spirit bless our worship UP together  
so we can leave IN peace and with hope in our hearts  
as we follow Jesus OUT into the world.



### FIRST TIME VISITOR?

Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, and sign the Record of Fellowship book as it is passed during the offering or the gathering area's Guest Book.

### WORSHIP SERVICE

Please stand as you are able for parts of worship that are indicated.

### AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS

- Large print and children's bulletins
- Personal hearing receivers

### WORSHIP SERVICE DVDS

Several of the past few week's services are available in the tract rack in the Gathering Area for those who do not have access to the online worship services on YouTube or Facebook.

### CHILDREN'S PLAYROOM, BATHROOM & CHANGING TABLE

The Children's PlayRoom in the main hallway is available for your use. Changing tables are available in each bathroom. Families with small children may use the Fireside Room, if they wish, during the service. Audio of the service can be heard in this room. "Busy Bags" on the back pew in the sanctuary are also available. Please return those to the back pew after the service.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Closed Friday

### HOSPITAL VISITS

If you or somebody you know is hospitalized or dealing with an illness and would like a visit, please call the church office. The hospital or nursing home personnel are not able to notify us that you are there.

# Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

## Prelude

## Announcements

*Please stand*

## Opening Hymn 901 Open Now the Gates of Beauty



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me  
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so  
3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is  
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en; Let me keep Thy  
5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be



en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty  
un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,  
du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,  
gift di - vine, How - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en;  
done in - deed. May I un - dis - turbed draw near Thee



Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed  
There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O  
Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I  
May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guid - ing  
While Thou dost Thy peo - ple feed. Here of life the



is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!  
en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!  
hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.  
star through life, As my com - fort in all strife.  
foun - tain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

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## Service of the Word

### Invocation

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

**C** Amen.

**P** Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

**C** sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

- P** All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;  
**C** they sing praises to Your name.  
**P** Come and see what God has done;  
**C** He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.  
**P** Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,  
**C** who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.  
**P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.  
**C** Shout for joy to God, all the earth. (*Psalm 66:1-2,4-5,8-9*)
- P** Let us pray.  
**C** O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Be seated*

**Hymn of Praise Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me** (*see insert or screen*)

**Old Testament Reading** *Isaiah 45:1-7*

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: <sup>2</sup>“I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, <sup>3</sup>I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. <sup>4</sup>For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. <sup>5</sup>I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, <sup>6</sup>that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. <sup>7</sup>I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things.”

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

**Epistle Reading** *1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:  
Grace to you and peace.  
<sup>2</sup>We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,  
<sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the

believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. <sup>9</sup>For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

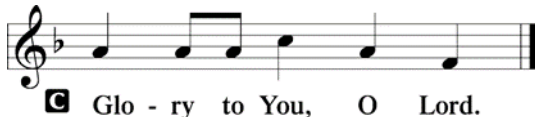
### Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Gospel Reading *Matthew 22:15-22*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty second chapter.

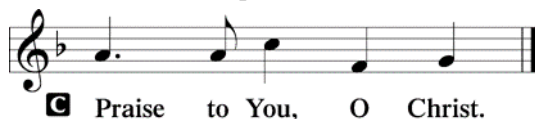


**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>15</sup>Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. <sup>16</sup>And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone’s opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup>Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” <sup>18</sup>But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup>Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” <sup>21</sup>They said, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup>When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.



**A** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

### Apostles Creed *(on screen)*

Be seated

## Hymn 827 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus call - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?  
2 Some take up His task in morn - ing, To their Lord re - spond - ing soon;  
3 For as rain and snow from heav - en Wa - ter seeds in dust - y soil,  
4 Hear - ken to the Lord whose com - ing Marks the time when grace shall end,



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"  
Some are called in heat of mid - day, Oth - ers late in af - ter - noon;  
Caus - ing them to bud and flow - er, Giv - ing bread to those who toil;  
When with His an - gel - ic reap - ers He in glo - ry shall de - scend.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.  
E - ven as the sun is set - ting, Some are sent in - to the fields,  
So the Lord sends forth His prom - ise, Words of life and joy and peace—  
Soon the night, the fi - nal har - vest; Soon the time for work shall cease.



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?  
There to gath - er in the boun - ty That God's Word so rich - ly yields.  
Nev - er void to Him re - turn - ing, Bear - ing fruit with great in - crease.  
Then the souls His grace has gar - nered Shall en - joy His Sab - bath peace.

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## Sermon - "The Lord's Anointed" *Isaiah 45:1-7*

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**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

Please stand

## Prayers

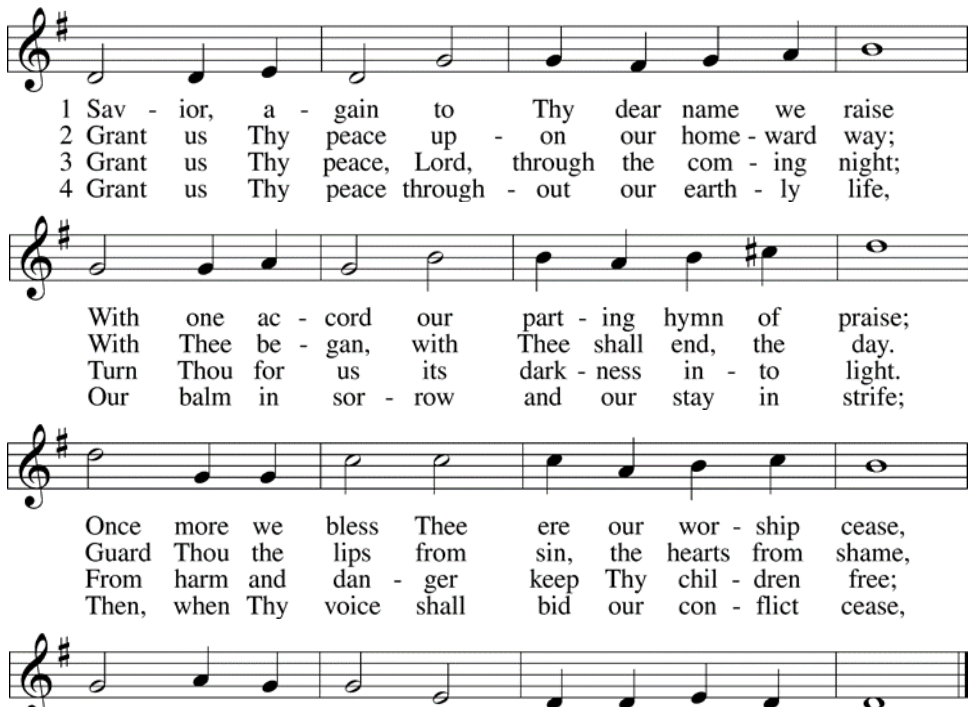
- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...*(each petition concludes)*...Lord in Your mercy.
- C** **Hear our prayer.**
- P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

## Lord's Prayer

### Benediction *LSB 166*

- 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.**

## Closing Hymn 917 Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise



1 Sav - ior, a - gain to Thy dear name we raise  
2 Grant us Thy peace up - on our home - ward way;  
3 Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the com - ing night;  
4 Grant us Thy peace through - out our earth - ly life,

With one ac - cord our part - ing hymn of praise;  
With Thee be - gan, with Thee shall end, the day.  
Turn Thou for us its dark - ness in - to light.  
Our balm in sor - row and our stay in strife;

Once more we bless Thee ere our wor - ship cease,  
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
From harm and dan - ger keep Thy chil - dren free;  
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our con - flict cease,

Then, low - ly bend - ing, wait Thy word of peace.  
That in this house have called up - on Thy name.  
For dark and light are both a - like to Thee.  
Call us, O Lord, to Thine e - ter - nal peace.

## The Sending

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God!

## Postlude

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## **Your prayer list for the week of October 22, 2023**

### **For Disciples at Berea...**

#### **New Prayers for...**

**Les Lehrke** (recovery - recent surgery), **Lois Brummer** (healing after recent surgery), **Laurel Gatz** (recent hospitalization, upcoming physical rehab)

#### **Ongoing Prayers for...**

##### **Recovery & Healing**

**Darlene Lehrke** (recovering, recent surgery), **Doris Christianson** (in hospice care), **Marlys Hyslop** (new health concerns), **Jan Sunday** (recent hospitalization, recovering), **Noah Brummer** (involved in bicycle accident, broken bone, recovering), **Ginny Banks** (recovering), **Marlene Isaacson** (reoccurrence of cancer), **Gail Amundson** (ongoing treatments), **Grace Gilmer** (healing, shoulder issues), **Elaine Olson** (recovery, recent surgery), **Darlene Tucker** (physical rehab), **Lil Weber** (recent stroke), **Jeremy Niesen** (recent mild stroke—recovering), **Millie Prill** (strength and healing after stroke), **Heather Falak** (Jeff & Diane Banks daughter - cancer treatments)

##### **Health Concerns, General Strength, Healing, Comfort, Hope**

**John Hanson** (recent terminal cancer diagnosis, under hospice care), **Ruth Cordes** (ongoing health), **John Blomquist** (ongoing health concerns), **Barb Lusk** (ongoing heart concerns), **Louise Lehnerr** (continued strength and healing), **Jack Carlos** (strength and healing), **Jean Dalrymple** (strength and healing after surgery)

### **For Friends and Family...**

#### **New Prayers for...**

#### **Ongoing Prayers for...**

##### **Recovery, Healing, Strength, Protection**

**Richard Wisland** (Friend of Larry & Karen Weddle - recent cancer diagnosis), **Ted McCue** (Kristina Dillon's BIL - recent cancer diagnosis), **James Wilson** (Neighbor – appendix issues, upcoming surgery), **Jeanne Dohrer** (Carol Lean's sister-in-law – recent ALS diagnosis), **Diane Davis** (former member - ongoing cancer treatments and lung issues), **HaeKyung Thompson** (former member - ongoing cancer issues), **Linda Ostman** (Sister of Vicki Harrison – recovery, recent heart surgery), **Peter Ostman** (Cousin of Vicki Harrison – recovery, sepsis), **Mary Madden** (Niece of John Blomquist – ovarian cancer diagnosis), **Trudy Gatz** (Sister-in-law of Jerry & Laurel Gatz – cancer diagnosis), **Anita Marso** (Carol Lean's sister – healing), **Avella** (Berea Child Care student – continued healing), **Mel and Wanda Leber** (Diane Banks parents – both diagnosed with cancer), **Keith Gartland** (Alexis Gartland's uncle – cancer treatments), **Doug Gillespie** (Friend of Jerry & Laurel Gatz – cancer treatment)

##### **Health Concerns**

**Joan Kadin** (Congestive heart failure)

Be present, we pray for our **missionaries: Chris & Michele Hickey, Josh & Ruth Wagner** and all those who witness for Christ in their daily lives.

We pray for our **Children's Care Ministry** team.

We pray for all **deployed military personnel and their families**, asking God's blessings for protection and strength of spirit.

We pray for all our **elected leaders, those who seek healing of our community and those who protect us** during this time of unrest.