



GRACE LUTHERAN
CHURCH • SCHOOL



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COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 21, 2021 - 5:00 PM

AUGUST 22, 2021 - 10:45 AM

*(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

PRELUDE

Three Settings of "PICARDY"

See Hymn 621

arr. David Cherwien, Paul Manz, Al Roberts

WELCOME

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "God Whose Almighty Word"

([10:45] Stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)

**God, whose almighty word Chaos and darkness heard
And took their flight: Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the Gospel day Sheds not its glorious ray, Let there be light!**

**Lord, who once came to bring, On Your redeeming wing,
Healing and sight, Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind: Oh, now to humankind Let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love, Life-giving, holy dove,
Speed forth Your flight; Move on the water's face,
Bearing the lamp of grace, And in earth's darkest place Let there be light!**

**Holy and blessed Three, Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might! Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride, Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!**

***THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Please kneel or be seated.)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

“This Is the Feast”

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A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia. Sing with all the peo-ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men. This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

THE SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Church from all false teaching and error that Your faithful people may confess You to be the only true God and rejoice in Your good gifts of life and salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 29:13-19

¹³The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of rules taught by men. ¹⁴Therefore once more I will astound these people with wonder upon wonder; the wisdom of the wise will perish, the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish." ¹⁵Woe to those who go to great depths to hide their plans from the LORD, who do their work in darkness and think, "Who sees us? Who will know?" ¹⁶You turn things upside down, as if the potter were thought to be like the clay! Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, "He did not make me"? Can the pot say of the potter, "He knows nothing"? ¹⁷In a very short time, will not Lebanon be turned into a fertile field and the fertile field seem like a forest? ¹⁸In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see. ¹⁹Once more the humble will rejoice in the LORD; the needy will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:21-33

²¹Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. ²²Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the

word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

²⁹ After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the church - ³⁰ for we are members of his body. ³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” ³² This is a profound mystery - but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-13

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹ The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus and ² saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were “unclean,” that is, unwashed. ³ (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. ⁴ When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.) ⁵ So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with ‘unclean’ hands?” ⁶ He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: ‘These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. ⁷ They worship me in vain; their teachings are but rules taught by men.’ ⁸ You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to the traditions of men.” ⁹ And he said to them: “You have a fine way of setting aside the commands of God in order to observe your own traditions! ¹⁰ For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘Anyone who curses his father or mother must be put to death.’ ¹¹ But you say that if a man says to his father or mother: ‘Whatever help you might otherwise have received

from me is Corban' (that is, a gift devoted to God), ¹² then you no longer let him do anything for his father or mother. ¹³ Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And you do many things like that."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

[10:45] CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

***SERMON HYMN**

"Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

Hymn 589

**Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens, Let Your Word to me come near;
Newborn life and spirit give me, Let each promise still my fear.
Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife, Wars against Your Word of life;
Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor That I cling to You forever!**

**Oh, what blessing to be near You And to listen to Your voice;
Let me ever love and hear You, Let Your Word be now my choice!
Many hardened sinners, Lord, Flee in terror at Your Word;
But to all who feel sin's burden You give words of peace and pardon.**

**Lord, Your words are waters living When my thirsting spirit pleads.
Lord, Your words are bread life-giving; On Your words my spirit feeds.
Lord, Your words will be my light Through death's cold and dreary night;
Yes, they are my sword prevailing And my cup of joy unailing!**

**As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me; Let Your words in me take root.
May Your Spirit e'er be near me That I bear abundant fruit.
May I daily sing Your praise, From my heart glad anthems raise,
Till my highest praise is given In the endless joy of heaven.**

THE SERMON

"Outside In - Part 1"

Mark 7:1-13

***PROFESSION OF FAITH - APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker 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 to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

***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.

***THE BENEDICTION** (*Numbers 6:24-26*) Page 212

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** "Almighty Father, Bless the Word"

Hymn 923

Almighty Father, bless the Word
Which through Your grace we now have heard.
Oh, may the precious seed take root,
Spring up, and bear abundant fruit!

We praise You for the means of grace
As homeward now our steps we trace.
Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here
May all at last in heav'n appear.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

"Fugue in D Major"

Johann Pachelbel

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

The Pastor	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Organist	Nick Klemetson
The Lector	Jim Joiner
The Usher/Greeter Team	Linda Davy, Jane Petersen

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

The Preacher	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Liturgist	The Rev. Brendon T. Moore
The Organist	Nick Klemetson
The Sound Technician	Bruce Wales
The Elder on Duty	Georgia Fisher
The Lectors	Jeff Wittcop, Pat Wittcop
The Robing Leader/Crucifer	Lilliann Witcher
The Acolytes	Dakota Van Volkenburgh, Olivia Zinsmeister
The Welcome Team Greeter	Jason Witcher with Annabelle
At the Welcome Center	Britta Witcher
The Welcome Team Ushers	Donna Enzor, Steve Griffith, Carl Rod, Larry Walker

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