

*22nd Sunday after
Pentecost*



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All are welcome!

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church named Ascension Lutheran Church more than 50 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community, communion and commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

Introduction

Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as "Son of David" he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers that be? Bartimaeus won't give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask so boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus' question, "What do you want me to do for you?"

Welcome to Worship

Confession and Forgiveness

Please stand in body or spirit.

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure, and whose love is endless.

All Amen

P Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter,

All like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves. Amen.

P All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in ✝ Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

All Amen.

Kyrie and Hymn of Praise

P Kyrie eleison

All Lord, have mercy.

P Christe eleison:

All Christ, have mercy.

P Kyrie eleison:

All Lord, have mercy.

Refrain

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.**

1. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

**2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain*

**3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Ending***

Ending

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth,
and peace to God's people on earth.**

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The Greeting

P The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us.

All Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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A Reading from Jeremiah, the 31st chapter

This passage speaks not only of the southern kingdom, Judah, and its homecoming from exile in Babylon, but also of the northern kingdom (“Israel” or “Ephraim”) and its restoration. The northern tribes of Israel had been lost in exile to Assyria more than a century before Jeremiah prophesied.

⁷ Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
“Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel.”

⁸ See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

⁹ With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back,
I will let them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:7-9

L The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

A Reading from Hebrews, the 7th chapter

Human priests of old offered sacrifice for their own sins and served only until their death. In contrast, Jesus is God’s Son, the holy, sinless, resurrected high priest. Death did not terminate his priestly service, but through his death he has interceded for our sins.

²³ The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵ Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Hebrews 7:23-28

L The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand in body or spirit.

♪ ♪ Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ♪ ♪
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Gospel Reading

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Bartimaeus comes to Jesus with faith, asking that he might see again. Recognizing Jesus' identity, Bartimaeus is the first person to call him "Son of David" in the Gospel of Mark.

⁴⁶As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.

⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me

see again.”⁵² Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.”
Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Mark 10:46-52

P The Gospel of our Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

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Sermon

Pr. Debra Jimenez

Hymn of the Day

[Please stand in body or spirit.](#)

Amazing Grace

Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Verse 4

Through many dangers toils and snares I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home.

Verse 5

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun.

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Apostles' Creed

P Joining with the saints across the ages, let us confess our faith with the words of the 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

L Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

♪ ♪ Change my heart oh God, make it ever true ♪ ♪
Change my heart oh God, may I be like You.

(each prayer petition ends with)

L: Hear us, O God. *All:* Your mercy is great.

Sharing the Peace

In our continued physical distancing out of love for the health of one another, we will share the peace of our risen Lord by “speaking” that peace through sign language.

P Christ become peace with you.

All And also with you.

Offering

While we still will not physically pass the offering plates we will continue to have the plates available at the entrance to receive your offerings and will lift them up in thanksgiving before the throne of grace.

♪ ♪ Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, ♪ ♪
give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong,” let the poor say, “I am rich,”
because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

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Offertory Prayer

P God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert
and manna to rain from the heavens.

**All Accept the gifts you have first given us.
Unite them with the offering of our lives
to nourish the world you love so dearly;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

P The Lord be with you

All And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord's Prayer

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

All **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 Invitation

P All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Sharing the Meal

P The body of Christ broken for you.

All **Amen**

P The blood of Christ shed for you.

All **Amen**

Post Communion Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All Amen

Stewardship of Life & Ministry Announcements

Benediction

Please stand as you are able.

P People of God, you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, ✝ one God, bless you now and forever.

All Amen.

Sending Song

My Life is in You, Lord

Chorus

My life is in You Lord. My strength is in You Lord.
My hope is in You Lord, in You it's in You.
My life is in You Lord. My strength is in You Lord.
My hope is in You Lord, in You it's in You. *(2nd time to ending)*

Verse

I will praise You with all of my life;
I will praise You with all of my strength.
With all of my life, With all of my strength,
All of my hope is in You. *Chorus*

Ending

In You.

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Dismissal

P ¹⁶Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-1

Go in peace. The living Word lives in you.

All Thanks be to God.

Readings for next Sunday,
October 31st
Reformation Day

First Reading:	Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm:	Psalm 46
Second Reading:	Romans 3:19-28
Gospel:	John 8:31-36

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