

# 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

September 1 & 4, 2022

**The Season** The Sundays after Pentecost focus on how Christians live in response to all that God has done for us. Our series now focuses on *The Believer Hears Jesus' Warnings...*

**The Sunday** Four weeks of warnings for Christians begins on this Sunday that the life of faith will be marked by difficulties. These warnings are given so that the believer will be prepared to meet these challenges with the confidence of the cross. Today we see that the Word of God doesn't always unite—it also divides. The living and active Word of God does not bring peace between believers and unbelievers, but division.

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## Hymn:

## Hymn 297 (10:30)



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,  
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,  
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,



Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:  
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:  
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:



Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his prom - ise,  
One with his ris - ing, Freed and for - giv - en,  
Born of one Fa - ther, We are his chil - dren;



Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.  
Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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**Tune:** BUNESSAN (55 8 D) Gaelic melody, 19th century.

## Remain Seated

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

## Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod



Our mission is to  
**Glorify God**  
as we  
**Gather**  
around the **Gospel**  
to help people  
**Grow**  
in the **Gospel**  
and  
**Go**  
with the **Gospel**

**Welcome!** We thank God that you have joined us at worship today.

Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

If your children need to leave worship, please take them to the basement. A TV broadcasts the service in the basement.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

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M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

**C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.*

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Receive the sign of the cross from the head to the heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Hazel Jillian Stephani, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life.  
Peace be with you.

*Stand*

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## EXHORTATION

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M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Hazel may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

**C: Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Hazel and grant her a rich measure of your Spirit that she may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

*Worship Continues with the Prayer and Praise at the bottom of the page 5*

# Opening Hymn

*Onward Christian Soldiers* CW 537



1 On - ward, Chris-tian sol - diers, March-ing as to war,  
2 Like a might - y ar - my Moves the Church of God;  
3 Crowns and thrones may per - ish, King - doms rise and wane,  
4 On - ward, then, ye faith - ful; Join the hap - py throng,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.  
Broth - ers, we are tread - ing Where the saints have trod.  
But the Church of Je - sus Con - stant will re - main.  
Blend with ours your voic - es In the tri - umph song:



Christ, the roy - al mas - ter, Leads a - gainst the foe;  
We are not di - vid - ed, All one bod - y we,  
Gates of hell can nev - er 'Gainst that Church pre - vail;  
Glo - ry, laud, and hon - or Un - to Christ the King;



For - ward in - to bat - tle See his ban - ners go!  
One in hope and doc - trine, One in char - i - ty.  
We have Christ's own prom - ise, And that can - not fail.  
This through count - less a - ges Saints and an - gels sing.

## *Refrain*



On - ward, Chris-tian sol - diers, March-ing as to war,



With the cross of Je - sus Go - ing on be - fore.

Text: Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924, abr., alt.

Tune: ST. GERTRUDE (65 65 D with Refrain) Arthur S. Sullivan, 1842–1900.

*Stand*

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

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M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### Glory Be To God



C: **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**



**We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,**



**we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,**



**God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;**



**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the**

sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the  
 sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of  
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;  
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

### Prayer of the Day

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

*Be Seated*

## THE WORD

### First Lesson

### 2 Kings 11:1-3,12-18

The sins of greed and idolatry can permeate the very fabric of a family and rip it apart. As the faithful fight to hold to the truth of the will of God, relationships may be forever destroyed. The wicked will answer for their sin and receive its penalty. The righteous will live by faith with souls forever protected in the Lord's free and faithful grace. With this confidence, we risk all to carry out the will of the Lord and cling to his promises.

11 When Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she proceeded to destroy the whole royal family. <sup>2</sup> But Jehosheba, the daughter of King Jehoram and sister of Ahaziah, took Joash son of Ahaziah and stole him away from among the royal princes, who were about to be murdered. She put him and his nurse in a bedroom to hide him from Athaliah; so he was not killed. <sup>3</sup> He remained hidden with his nurse at the temple of the LORD for six years while Athaliah ruled the land.

<sup>12</sup> Jehoiada brought out the king's son and put the crown on him; he presented him with a copy of the covenant and proclaimed him king. They anointed him, and the people clapped their hands and shouted, "Long live the king!"

<sup>13</sup> When Athaliah heard the noise made by the guards and the people, she went to the people at the temple of the LORD. <sup>14</sup> She looked and there was the king, standing by the pillar, as the custom was. The officers and the trumpeters were beside the king, and all the people of the land were rejoicing and blowing trumpets. Then Athaliah tore her robes and called out, "Treason! Treason!"

<sup>15</sup> Jehoiada the priest ordered the commanders of units of a hundred, who were in charge of the troops: "Bring her out between the ranks and put to the sword anyone who follows her." For the priest had said, "She must not be put to death in the temple of the LORD." <sup>16</sup> So they seized her as she reached the place where the horses enter the palace grounds, and there she was put to death.

<sup>17</sup> Jehoiada then made a covenant between the LORD and the king and people that they would be the LORD's people. He also made a covenant between the king and the people. <sup>18</sup> All the people of the land went to the temple of Baal and tore it down. They smashed the altars and idols to pieces and killed Mattan the priest of Baal in front of the altars. (NIV)

## Psalm of the Day

## Psalm 31

### *Refrain*



To you, O Lord, I lift my soul; in you I trust, my God.

### *Psalm tone*



O LORD, you have searched me and you know me;\*  
you perceive my thoughts from afar.

You discern my going out and my lying down;\*  
you are familiar with all my ways.

### *Refrain*

Where can I go from your Spirit?\*  
Where can I flee from your presence?  
If I go up to the heavens, you are there;\*  
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.  
If I rise on the wings of the dawn,\*  
if I settle on the far side of the sea,  
even there your hand will guide me,\*  
your right hand will hold me fast.

**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.**

### *Refrain*

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## **Second Lesson**

## **Ephesians 6:10-20**

God's Word brings division because we are at war. Marked by the cross, we are now targets for extra effort on the part of evil. We have no choice; we must give battle. But we are not without hope. As we battle, the Word of the Lord is our strength to stand firm and our full armor against the weaponry of evil. Total victory is already assured in Jesus. But "when the fight is fierce, the warfare long" (CW 551) we turn to the Spirit in prayer on behalf of ourselves, and all the saints, that the mystery of the gospel would continue to be revealed.

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should. (NIV)

## **Verse of the Day**



M: Alleluia. The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia. (Hebrews 4:12)

*Stand*

M: The Gospel according to Luke 12

**C: Glory be to you, O Lord!**

## **Gospel**

**Luke 12:49-53**

The fire of the Word has come to destroy evil and bring peace between God and his people. Jesus warns that his fire will bring division between believer and unbeliever, even within that most intimate of human relationships, the family. How can Jesus wish such division were already happening? He can only say that because he knows its final purpose: the salvation and purifying of believers.

<sup>49</sup> “I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!  
<sup>50</sup> But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup> Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division.  
<sup>52</sup> From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup> They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there 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.**

Hymn of the Day:

When in the Hour of Utmost Need CW 413



1 When in the hour of ut - most need We know not  
 2 Then is our com - fort this a - lone That we may  
 3 For you have prom - ised, Lord, to heed Your chil - dren's  
 4 And so we come, O God, to - day And all our  
 5 So that with all our hearts we may To you our



where to look for aid, When days and nights of  
 meet be - fore your throne; To you, O faith - ful  
 cries in time of need Through him whose name a -  
 woes be - fore you lay. Be with us in our  
 glad thanks - giv - ing pay, Then walk o - be - dient



anx - ious thought Nor help nor coun - sel yet have brought,  
 God, we cry For res - cue in our mis - er - y.  
 lone is great, Our Sav - ior and our ad - vo - cate.  
 an - guish still; Free us at last from ev - 'ry ill,  
 to your Word And now and ev - er praise you, Lord.

Text: Paul Eber, 1511–69, abr., adapt.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt.  
 Tune: WENN WIR IN HÖCHSTEN NÖTEN SEIN (LM) Louis Bourgeois, c. 1510–c. 1561.

Sermon

Luke 12:49-53

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**C; We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state (provincial), and local governments.

**C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

**C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

**C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

**C: Amen.**

### **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.**

M: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## Benediction

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

*Be Seated*

## Closing Hymn

*God of Grace and God of Glory Hymn 523*



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On your peo -  
2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ,  
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e -



ple pour your pow'r; Crown your an - cient Church's  
as - sail his ways. From our fears that long have  
to your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish  
vils we de - plore; Let the gift of your sal -



sto - ry; Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r.  
bound us, Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
glad - ness, Rich in things and poor in soul.  
va - tion Be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the fac - ing  
Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the liv - ing  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age Lest we miss your  
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, Serv - ing you whom



of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.  
of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.  
king - dom's goal, Lest we miss your king - dom's goal.  
we a - dore, Serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969, abr., alt.  
Tune: CWM RHONDDA (87 87 877) John Hughes, 1873–1932.