### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 21 & 24, 2021

**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 *Jesus' Grace Is All In All To Us*.

The Sunday This Sunday we see again the striking difference between a Christian and a worshiper of the false gods of this world. The difference is in the way the way that the Christian looks at ambition. No one should be more ambitious than we are. This Sunday that ambition and the reasons for it are defined. Jesus' Grace is All in All to Us...It leads us to selfless service.



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Tune: SUANTRAI (LM) Gaelic melody, c. 19th century.

#### Stand

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.

## CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- 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.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

## Lord, Have Mercy Kyrie

- M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.
- C: Christ, have mercy.
- M: For the well-being of your church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:
- C: Amen
- M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

# O Lord, Our Lord







## Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Lord, keep your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities that, under your protection, we may serve you with true devotion and holy deeds; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

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### THE WORD

## First Lesson:

### 2 Chronicles 26:16-23

The alternative to reordering our ambition is to see it grow like a cancer until it destroys us. In Uzziah's case the success that God gave him became a snare. So successful was he in achieving wealth and power that he decided he knew everything better than God did. In his presumption the leprosy on his soul became leprosy also on his body, a disease that made his wealth and power empty and devoid of any satisfaction. There are a lot of people like Uzziah today. Their ambitions and efforts have been blessed by God, so that they imagine that they know it all, including what God should have said in his Word but didn't say. They presume to correct the Bible so that it fits better with their own vain thinking. The mind bent on service in the footsteps of the lowly Savior is content first and foremost with all that God has said.

<sup>16</sup> But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the LORD his God, and entered the temple of the LORD to burn incense on the altar of incense. <sup>17</sup> Azariah the priest with eighty other courageous priests of the LORD followed him in. <sup>18</sup> They confronted King Uzziah and said, "It is not right for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the LORD. That is for the priests, the descendants of Aaron, who have been consecrated to burn incense. Leave the sanctuary, for you have been unfaithful; and you will not be honored by the LORD God."

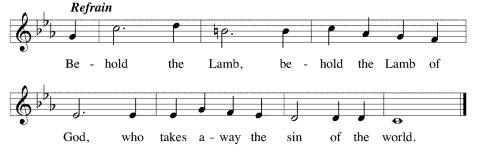
<sup>19</sup> Uzziah, who had a censer in his hand ready to burn incense, became angry. While he was raging at the priests in their presence before the incense altar in the LORD's temple, leprosy broke out on his forehead. <sup>20</sup> When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests looked at him, they saw that he had leprosy on his forehead, so they hurried him out. Indeed, he himself was eager to leave, because the LORD had afflicted him.

<sup>21</sup> King Uzziah had leprosy until the day he died. He lived in a separate house—leprous, and banned from the temple of the LORD. Jotham his son had charge of the palace and governed the people of the land.

<sup>22</sup> The other events of Uzziah's reign, from beginning to end, are recorded by the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz. <sup>23</sup> Uzziah rested with his ancestors and was buried near them in a cemetery that belonged to the kings, for people said, "He had leprosy." And Jotham his son succeeded him as king. (NIV)

## **Psalm of the Day** The congregation will sing the refrain and read the verses together

### Psalm 22



My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me?

I am a worm and <u>not</u> a man, scorned by men and despised by the <u>people</u>.

All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads:

"He trusts in the LORD; let the LORD <u>res</u>cue him. Let him deliver him, since he delights in him."

### Refrain

My strength is dried up, and my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; you lay me in the dust of death.

A band of evil men has en<u>cir</u>cled me, they have pierced my hands <u>and</u> my feet.

They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my <u>clo</u>thing.

But you, O LORD, be <u>not</u> far off; O my Strength, come quickly to <u>help</u> me.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

### Second Lesson

### 1 Corinthians 9:7-12,19-23

Next to the Savior himself, there is probably no better example of proper ambition than that which Paul gives. If we measure ourselves against the Savior we might only despair. If we measure ourselves against Paul we can at least see one who took Jesus' words about ambition seriously. See what good it did, what a blessing it was and still is for the church! He not only served everyone he could; he served by putting himself in their place, seeing himself as one of them, so that he could apply all the truth of God's Word to their particular situation and circumstance. Notice the last line of the reading: he did it all so that he might also share in the gospel's blessing. Serving with the gospel, the gospel became his anew in every man's circumstance; its depth and its richness he could see and appreciate and apply to himself all the more.

<sup>7</sup>Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink the milk? <sup>8</sup>Do I say this merely on human authority? Doesn't the Law say the same thing? <sup>9</sup> For it is written in the Law of Moses: "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain." Is it about oxen that God is concerned? <sup>10</sup> Surely he says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because whoever plows and threshes should be able to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest. <sup>11</sup> If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? <sup>12</sup> If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?

But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ.

<sup>19</sup> Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. <sup>20</sup> To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. <sup>21</sup> To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. <sup>22</sup> To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. <sup>23</sup> I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. (NIV)

## Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works. Alleluia. (Ephesians 2:10a)

Stand

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

Once again the disciples, like us, get it wrong. Jesus has just finished telling them of his coming Passion, and all they can think about is worldly ambition, which one of them should be first. Just like he does when discussing family and wealth, Jesus turns everything upside down from the way that we by nature are inclined to look at things. In fact it is our ambition to be first and have our own way that wrecks family life and perverts the proper uses of wealth. Ah, but in Jesus' way both family life and wealth become great blessings. For the ambition is to serve, not to be served. That service is ever asking: How can I help? instead of When is it my turn? Look who has led by example! The One who alone deserves to be served has served the lowliest of the low. He served me, even me, by coming to find, to rescue, to save me by giving his own life for my ransom.

- <sup>35</sup> Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask."
  - $^{36}\,\mathrm{``What}$  do you want me to do for you?'' he asked.
  - $^{37}$  They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory."
- <sup>38</sup> "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?"

39 "We can," they answered.

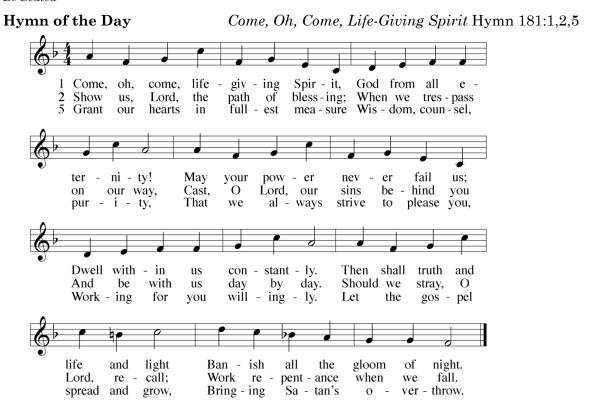
Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, <sup>40</sup> but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared."

<sup>41</sup> When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. <sup>42</sup> Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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xt: Heinrich Held, 1620-59, abr.; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813-96, alt.

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Stand

### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# Prayer of the Church

## 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 SACRAMENT

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- M: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up to the Lord.
- M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

## **Proper Preface**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

## Holy, Holy, Holy



### Words of Institution

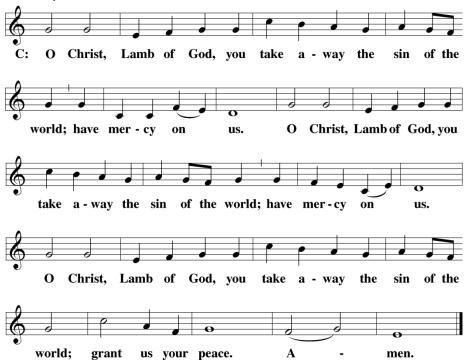
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

### C: Amen.

# O Christ, Lamb of God



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Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith and warns us against the dangers of not understanding what communion is, we practice close communion. WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor before communing. If you would like to learn more about communing with us in the future, please contact pastor.

## **Distribution**

Stand

# Thank The Lord



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



M: Hear the prayers of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son, may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### C: Amen.

### Benediction

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

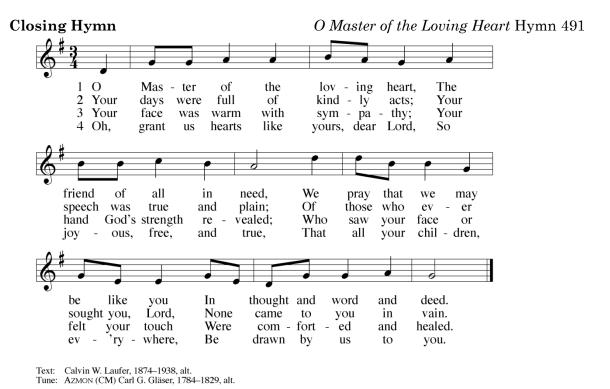
The Lord bless you and keep you.

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.

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