

FOR OUR 10:45 A.M. DIVINE WORSHIP

20th Sunday After Pentecost 2022

October 23, 2022

WE PRAY: O Lord, righteous Judge, Protector of Your chosen people, keep us steady in the faith, fighting the good fight, for the crown of righteousness is indeed laid up for us who have loved the Christ's appearing; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever. Amen.

(Please turn off cell phones in preparation for Divine Worship)

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PRELUDE - Allegro - G.F. Handel

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

TLH 451 w 1,3-4

Stand Up! - Stand Up for Jesus

- 1** Stand up!- stand up for Jesus,
Ye soldiers of the Cross!
Lift high His royal banner.
It must not suffer loss.
From vict'ry unto vict'ry
His army shall He lead;
Till ev'ry foe is vanquished
And Christ is Lord indeed.

- 3** Stand up! - stand up for Jesus!
Stand in His strength alone;
The arm of flesh will fail you,
Ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the Gospel armor,
Each piece put on with prayer;
Where duty calls or danger,
Be never wanting there.

- 4** Stand up! - stand up for Jesus!
The strife will not be long:
This day, the noise of battle;

The next, the victor's song.
To him that overcometh
A crown of life shall be;
He with the King of Glory
Shall reign eternally.

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVOCATION

P: In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

C: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

A: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

THE INTROIT

P: When I am afraid, I put my trust in You. In God, whose word I praise, in the Lord, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me? O God; I will render thank offerings to You. For You have delivered my

soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

GLORIA PATRI

C: Glory to be the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

A: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

C: Glory be to God on high:

C: And on earth, peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord God, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit.

COLLECT

P: Almighty and everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour down on us the abundance of Your mercy; forgive us those things of which our conscience is afraid; and give us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask except by the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LESSONS

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 4: 1-15

Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and

said, "I have acquired a man from the Lord." Then she bore again, this time his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord. Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and his offering, but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell. So the Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it." Now Cain talked with Abel his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him. Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?" And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground. So now you are cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. When you till the ground, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. A fugitive and a vagabond you shall be on the earth." And Cain said to the Lord, "My punishment is greater than I can bear! Surely You have driven me out this day from the face of the ground; I shall be hidden from Your face; I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond on the earth, and it will happen that anyone who finds me will kill me." And the Lord said to him, "Therefore, whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the Lord set a mark on Cain, lest anyone finding him should kill him.

EPISTLE

II Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing. At my first defense no one stood with me, but all forsook me. May it not be charged against them. But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, so that the message might be preached fully through me, and that all the Gentiles might hear. Also I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. And the Lord will deliver me from every

evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!

L: Here ends the Epistle.

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel is written in the 7th chapter of St. Luke, beginning at the 18th verse.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Luke 18: 9-17

Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED (*In Unison*)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under

Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM - Create in Me - J. Leavitt

SERMON

“How Can You know for Sure?”

II Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

OFFERTORY

A: 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.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES and SACRIFICIAL GIFTS

OFFERING PRAYER (*Pastor*)

THE PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

HYMN OF THE DAY

TLH 427 vv 1,3,5,7

How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord

- 1** How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 3** "Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed;
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 5** "When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply.
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
- 7** "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!"

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

FIRST ANTIPHON AND COLLECT

P Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C And His mercy endureth forever.

P We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

TLH 394

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

- 1** My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine. Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away; Oh, let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!
- 2** May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire! As Thou hast died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!
- 3** While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my Guide. Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away, Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.
- 4** When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen
stream. Shall o'er me roll, Blest Savior, then, in love,
Fear and distrust remove; Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed
soul!

BENEDICTION

ALL: "Amen, Amen, Amen."

SILENT PRAYER

RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE - Allegro - G.F. Handel

Officiant: Pastor Randy Boelter

Lector: Mark Gade

Music Director: Bruce Sininger

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**Christ the King Lutheran Church
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
Sunday, October 23, 2022**

Good Morning and Welcome to worship today! St. Paul lived life and ministered to others Through thick and thin with the absolute certainty that the Lord Jesus would grant him the crown of everlasting life. How could he be so certain...and how can we be certain of the same? In our Epistle, we are reminded this morning that our confidence comes not in our own faith, our own success, or even in the Lord's past provision for us. Rather, our certainty of Eternal Life comes in Jesus Christ the crucified and in Him alone! Today by Word and Sacrament, the Holy Spirit works in our lives So that we also share in the certainty that Paul had in life, and in death.

Remember in Your Prayers:

Julia Hingst- who is again battling a knee infection.

Kathy Geffert- who returned to Troy Beaumont Hospital with breathing difficulties.

Tom Harms- continuing his stem cell treatment at Karmanos Hospital

Meg Oster- receiving physical rehabilitation in Las Vegas, NV with the hope of a return to her home.

Those battling Cancer: Sharon Selby, Bob Davis, Roy Koeppel, Lisa Zimmermann, Eric Hingst, Keith Josefiak, Shiela Rice, Owen Ninneman and Paul Scardio.

Others who need the Lord's care and strength: Deb Wyland, Judy Piche, and Clifford Popp.

Maddison Rose McBratnie- at the occasion of her baptism this afternoon after our Late Divine Service.

Mike and Amanda Snyder- as they celebrate the reaffirmation of their Wedding Vows with family and friends this next week.

For John Kennedy and Sarah Gilpin and their families- as they commend their mother, Patty Kennedy to the LORD this week in the hope of the resurrection.

Membership Meeting

The next Membership Meeting is on October 30th at 9:30 am

Cold Weather Clothing Donations

As the winter season is approaching and you start to pull out the cold weather gear, would you please consider donating any unused jackets, coats, hats and gloves to a few local non-profits in the area? Near the stairwell in the middle of the church, there are several boxes to leave the items. We plan on dropping items off as the boxes fill. Any questions, please reach out to Doug Bohannon at 586-703-6133. Thank you!

Life Quotes

“We may think our prayers are small in relation to the magnitude of the problem of abortion. Not so! ... Educate yourself, your children, and the people you know about Lutherans For Life ... Support leaders who embrace these words, ‘All men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.’ ... We have the most hopeful message the world has ever heard. You know it. God does big things with small stuff. How can we be so sure? Shiphrah and Puah, Jochebed, Miriam, and Moses ... and especially Jesus.” *Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing, Concordia University, St. Paul, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Altar Guild

Serving with the Altar Guild for the month are Sue Mack, Jean Azar, and Lori Dane

The Lutheran Hour Topic

for next Sunday, 10/16: "**Give Your Brother a Call**" Lutheran

Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God cares that we relate to Him with childlike faith and relate to others with Christlike love. (Luke 19:1-10) Tune in to *The Lutheran Hour* every Sunday on WDFN (1130 AM) at 6:30 A.M., WRDT (560 AM) at 7:30 A.M. and at Noon, XM Satellite Family Radio Dial 170 at 1:00 P.M. or RealAudio on the internet at www.lhm.org.

Received into God's Kingdom of Grace through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this afternoon is Maddison Rose McBratnie, the daughter of Joshua Dane McBratnie and his wife, Mary Renee ne'e Loria McBratnie. Maddison was born July 2, 2022, at Troy Beaumont Hospital. Her baptismal sponsors are her aunt Kristy Loria and her uncle Leo Loria. "He who believes and is baptized shall be saved."

The Memorial Service for Patricia Kennedy will be held this next Saturday at 11 A.M. here at Christ the King. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial gifts in Patty's honor to Christ the King Lutheran Church.

Join us as we celebrate the central Doctrine of the Scriptures, Justification by grace alone through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone next Sunday, on Reformation Sunday. Come and join us as we receive God's gifts and sing the familiar hymns of the Reformation.

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed will take place in both services on Sunday, November 6, 2022, in both Services. We will gather to give thanks to God for all of those in our household of faith who died in their baptismal faith the past 12 months. Jesus promises: "Because I live, you SHALL live also!"

Lutherfest 2022

Date: Sunday November 13, 2022. Time: 3:00 pm

Location: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 22915 Greater Mack, St Clair Shores, MI Cost: Free of charge

There will be a small reception after the concert.

The Lutheran Center Association Annual meeting will be held before the concert at 1:30 pm. Delegates from all the Lutheran Center Association member congregations

are encouraged to attend!

Join us each 2nd and 4th Monday of the month for Worship at 7 P.M. This service, approximately 45 minutes in length, is held once again in our small chapel.

Pray the Litany with us- each 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 9:30 A.M. This traditional service of prayer has been used in the Church for centuries and provides us a time to bring our prayers to the LORD. A small devotional message also helps prepare us for Holy Communion and for receiving the lessons and sermon for the next Lord's Day.

One Week Ago Today:

8:15 Service: 39

Communion: 36

10:45 Service: 38

Bible Classes: 6

OCTOBER 2022 - FINANCIAL PROGRESS

Envelope & Plate Receipts Only

Week #	2022	2021
1	\$ 4,907	\$ 4,781
2	3,792	4,336
3		
4		
Month-to-Date Total	\$ 8,699	\$ 9,117
Year-to-Date Total	\$ 235,866	\$ 260,318

1-1-1 Missions Update

	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	\$ 28	\$ 994

\$80 for 80 Years

	<u>MTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	\$ 460	\$ 16,180