

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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IN OUR PRAYERS we remember: Marcia Neelly and Beverly Baker

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 527 557 Blue 25 (Grey 90)

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

TODAY 11:15 a.m. Coffee and cake in honor of Bob Iwen's 80th Birthday

Oct. 10 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

Oct. 10 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

Oct. 10 9:00 Sunday School

Oct. 11-12 Pastor at Conference

Oct. 12 NO 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Oct. 12 NO 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

Oct. 13 Noon Bible Study

Oct. 13 2:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Oct. 13 3:30 p.m. Daughters of Peace

HYMN OF THE DAY: Our hymn of the day is *Seek Where You May to Find a Way*.

There are many possible foundations on which to build one's life. There are many possible gods on which to lean. The man in our Gospel lesson leaned on wealth. That was the foundation of his life. That was his god. But our hymn boldly proclaims, "My heart is stilled, on Christ I build, He is the one foundation." Though we may build on many foundations, there is only one foundation for eternal life. Though we may trust in many gods, there is only one God who redeems us, the God-man Jesus Christ. Seek where you may find a way. Seek Christ. Amen.

A WORD: The prophet Amos condemns the corruption of wealth in our Old Testament lesson. The wealthy were using their power to oppress the poor and purchase legal rulings that favored them. We must all be wary of the god wealth. Though we may not be in a position to abuse others with our wealth, we are all capable of valuing money over people, which will lead us into sin. The Gospel reading presents to us a man who valued money over Christ. When called to sell his possessions and follow Jesus, the man goes away sad. His money was his idol. We also have idols in our hearts, things we put before our savior. And like the man before us, Christ says to us, "Give up those idols and follow me."

The epistle lesson reminds us of the need for a steadfast faith. We begin our journey toward God's kingdom with faith. We continue in faith. We reach our goal through faith. We must hold our "original confidence" to the end. To help us in faith, God has placed us in the church, where we exhort one another to follow Christ to the end.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20 Hebrews 4:1-16
Mark 10:23-31

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: The rich young man looked upon his life as one that had upheld the commandments from youth. But Jesus points right to the heart of the matter when He tells the man to go sell everything he has and come follow Him. Though outwardly, his life appeared upstanding, the young man's faith was in his worldly wealth rather than the riches of God. The riches of God are this: Christ Jesus has purchased and won us, not with silver or gold but with His own precious blood.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: The Sunday School department is collecting items for their Operation Christmas Child boxes. A list of items needed is located on the table in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Keri Davis at 712-348-2308.

TREATS FOR CONFIRMANDS: There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for providing treats for the confirmation students. Thank you in advance for providing goodies.

LWML IOWA WEST DISTRICT FALL RETREAT: if you wish to attend the Fall Retreat at Mission Central on October 23rd, registration forms are on the Bulletin Board by the office.

DAUGHTERS OF PEACE: Daughters will meet October 13th. Kathleen Dieren will have devotions and program and Lois Baatz will be the hostess.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect snack crackers, soda crackers, graham crackers, popcorn, cheese puffs, cheese curls, etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 3; Next Sunday is Team 4: Wayne Ranschau, Brad Vogel, Gary Delfs, Marv Flier, Wayne Jepsen, John Schulte

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 527: O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

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 You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your 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 your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 112:3–6; antiphon: v. 1

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!
Wealth and riches are in his house,
and his righteousness endures forever.

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.
It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved;
he will be remembered forever.

**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.**

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.
C Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us to forsake all trust in earthly gain and to find in You our heavenly treasure; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

EPISTLE

Hebrews 3:12–19

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Galatians 6:2

Alleluia. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Mark 10:17–22

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

After the Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

C 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.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 557: SEEK WHERE YOU MAY TO FIND A WAY

SERMON

OFFERTORY

C 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.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN: GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU

Blue Hymnal 25; Gray Hymnal 94

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