

The Parable of the Weeds among the Wheat

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When we celebrate Holy Communion we are eating and drinking the true body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because the Bible says it is possible for someone to eat and drink to their harm if their understanding of the sacrament is lacking, we ask our visitors to speak with our Pastor before communing here for the first time. Ask an usher to help you find our Pastor before the service begins, or call during the week.

WELCOME to all guests and members; we are glad that you are here to worship with us and hope you will return often as *our friends in Christ!*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN *“Lead Me, Guide Me”* **LSB 721**

Refrain

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;
For if You lead me, I can - not stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,
To help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
Be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
I am blind with - out Thy light to see.
Help me through the dark - ness Thy face to see.
I am put - ting all my trust in Thee.
Lord, al - ways let me Thy ser - vant be.
Refrain
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Please stand...

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT

P Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

C listen to my plea for grace.

P Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in Your truth;

C unite my heart to fear Your name.

P I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

C and I will glorify Your name forever.

P For great is Your steadfast love toward me;

C You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

P O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

C and they do not set you before them.

P But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,

C slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

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.

P Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

C listen to my plea for grace.

KYRIE

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, & for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



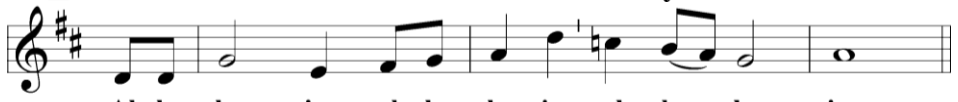
C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"This Is the Feast"



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al-le-lu-ia. *Final Refrain*



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please be seated...

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 44:6–8

L The Old Testament Reading for The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah, chapter forty-four.

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and His Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: *“I am the first and I am the last; besides Me there is no god.”* ⁷ *Who is like Me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before Me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.* ⁸ *Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are My witnesses! Is there a God besides Me? There is no Rock; I know not any.”*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 8:18–27

L The Epistle is from Romans, chapter eight.

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,

groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand...

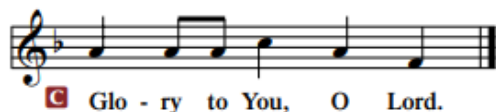
ALLELUIA VERSE



HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.



Jesus put another parable before them, saying, “*The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field,* ²⁵ *but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.* ²⁶ *So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also.* ²⁷ *And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’* ²⁸ *He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’* ²⁹ *So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’* ³⁰ *But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them.* ³¹ *Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’*” ... ³⁶ Then He left the crowds and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “*Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.*” ³⁷ He answered, “*The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man.*” ³⁸ *The field*

is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴² and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated...

HYMN OF THE DAY

“In Holy Conversation”

LSB 772



1 In ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion We speak to God in prayer,
2 These ho - ly con - ver - sa - tions Be - gin in child-like ways;
3 As ho - ly con - ver - sa - tion, In si - lence or by word,



And at His in - vi - ta - tion Our deep - est thoughts we share.
We bring our sup - pli - ca - tions And words of thanks and praise.
In ev - 'ry sit - u - a - tion Through Je - sus, we are heard.



We come, His will o - bey - ing, As chil - dren bring - ing needs;
With care our Fa - ther lis - tens To ev - 'ry thought ex - pressed,
So let us pray se - cure - ly, Ex - press - ing hopes and fears



And to sup - port our pray - ing, His Spir - it in - ter - ced - es.
Then an - swers our pe - ti - tions In ways He knows are best.
With con - fi - dence that sure - ly Our Fa - ther ev - er hears.

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SERMON

Please stand...

THE NICENE CREED

☐ 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 Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds 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 in 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.



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer

The prayers conclude:

C Amen.



We pray for the hospitalized: Don Thompson.

We pray for those recovering or have an upcoming procedure: Don Page, Walter Harbison, Eric Wittmann, Linda Grinestaff, Dennis Jacobs, Betty Schuring, Joanne Johnson, and Angie Lucas.

We pray for those with ongoing health concerns: Helen Dahlenburg, Bill Fredericks, Larry McCoy, Bill Schuring, Mickey Seidler, Diana Stage, and Eric Wittmann.

We pray for those with cancer: Melanie Nicklas, Lincoln Downing, Shelly Hoyt, Sherry Kramer, Darlene McCormick, Linda Borgwald, Bill Fredericks, Cindy DeMoss, Owen Smith, Cheryl Bonebright, Kathy Howey, and Frank Hutnicke.

We pray for strength and healing for: Gary King, Cookie and Bob Gallaway, Marilina Hutchison, Rebecca Bedinger, Sarah and Patty Calderon, Trisha Howard, Dalton Goble, Jim Souza, John McCormick, Jackie Bland, Heather Bladel & family, Keri Blankenbeckler, Courtney Leemon, Doris Limer, Jason Dawson, and those suffering from mental anguish.

We pray for the family and friends of those who died: Dorothy Johnson.

HYMN

“Holy Spirit, Light Divine”

LSB 496



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, light di - vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine;
2 Let me see my Sav - ior's face, Let me all His beau - ties trace;
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, Cleanse this guilt - y heart of mine;
4 Ho - ly Spir - it, joy di - vine, Cheer this sad - dened heart of mine;
5 Ho - ly Spir - it, all di - vine, Dwell with - in this heart of mine;



Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn the dark - ness in - to day.
Show those glo - rious truths to me Which are on - ly known to Thee.
In Thy mer - cy pit - y me, From sin's bond - age set me free.
Yield a sa - cred, set - tled peace, Let it grow and still in - crease.
Cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.



PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

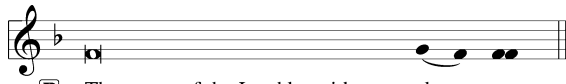
P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *"Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."* In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: *"Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

PAX DOMINI



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

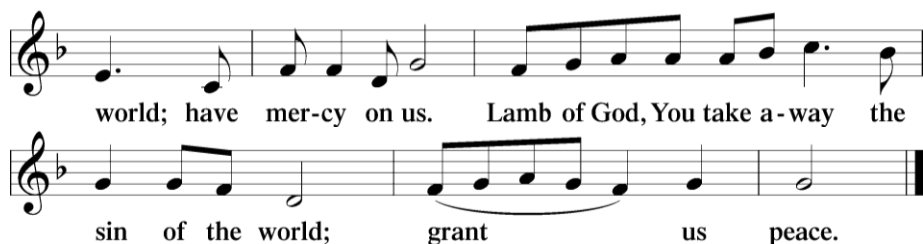
AGNUS DEI



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



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Please be seated...

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

LSB 641

Refrain

You sat-is-ty the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.
Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.
1 As when the shap - herd calls his sheep, They know and
2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and
3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of
4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal
5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less
heed his voice; So when You call Your
grat - i - tude That You should count us
Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
let us be, To serve each oth - er
fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.
wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.
Refrain

Please 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-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

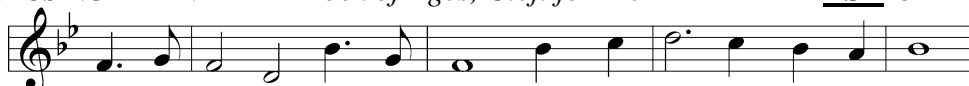


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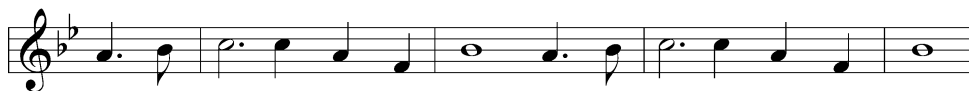
CLOSING HYMN

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

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1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands Can ful - fill Thy Law's de-mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; Sim - ply to Thy cross I cling.
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, When mine eye - lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood, From Thy riv - en side which flowed,
Could my zeal no res - pite know, Could my tears for - ev - er flow,
Na - ked, come to Thee for dress; Help - less, look to Thee for grace;
When I soar to worlds un-known, See Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



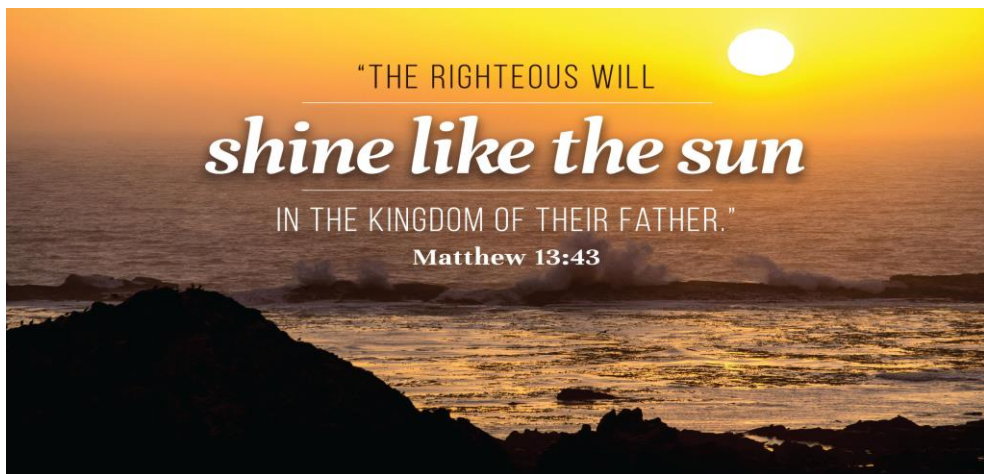
Be of sin the dou - ble cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
All for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
Foul, I to the foun - tain fly; Wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, Let me hide my - self in Thee.

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POSTLUDE

Please be seated following the closing hymn. The Ushers will dismiss one pew at a time, starting in the back of the church and working their way toward the front to maintain social distancing as we depart.

Thank you for coming to the Lord's house today. If you have an offering, you can drop it in the collection plate by the narthex doors. Please either take your bulletin with you or dispose of it in the trash can.





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