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St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
Wilton, WI
22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
November 10, 2019
Inviting People to
Journey with Christ's Family In
Spreading God's Love and Mercy

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We worship on the first day of the week because our Savior was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday feels more like Easter than many as the appointed texts celebrate the reality of the resurrection. Live it up this Lord's day. Our God is the God of the living.

## Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God\*

Prel-

ude......A time for silent reflection Welcome and Announcements

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, □ one God, Healer of our every ill, Source of unending mercy. **Amen.** 

Embraced in enduring grace and good hope, Let us turn again to God, Confessing the truth about ourselves.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Merciful God,

we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse.

We have not always been kind to ourselves.

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We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures. Remind us of who we are, beloved children bathed in your love. Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people, bringing healing to the brokenness around us. Amen.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ.

Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are 

forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world.

Amen.

\*Gathering Hymn "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" **ELW #645** 

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

### \*KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

We also have additional school supplies which are on a table in the basement. Plastic pencil boxes are also available. Please feel free to add these to your shoeboxes.

Help children to receive the "Greatest Gift of All', the Good News of Jesus Christ.

You may now contact Pastor Cathleen on a landline, #608-435-0097. This telephone itself is a "Caption Call". This means a written display of what you are saying is displayed for Pastor to read, and continue the conversation. Be patient, it takes a few seconds for your side of the conversation to be displayed. You may also leave a voice mail message.

In case of emergency, contact Pastor Cathleen, via text, 608-865-1074, or Justin Arndt (608-435-6336), on his cell (414-587-6642), or Nalani.

## **CALENDAR FOR November 10—17**

Today Friends of the Community 4:00—6:00 PM
Thanksgiving Dinner, Norwalk Community Center

Wed., Nov. 13 Confirmation 6:30—8:00 PM Sun., Nov. 17 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship 10:15 AM

Children Sing / Noisy Offering

Birthday/Anniversary Fellowship 11:15 AM

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are looking for decorations for the Thanksgiving Eve tables. Do you have any gourds or other items we might use for the downstairs tables? We'll need them by November 24.

The loose offering at the Thanksgiving Eve service will be donated to the Wilton Food Pantry. We are also asking folks to bring a food donation for the pantry and have been provided with a listing of items which are regularly asked for: cream of chicken soup, elbow macaroni, noodles, kidney beans, applesauce, cream style corn, pasta sauce, cooking oil, flour and sugar. While not a food item, larger size diapers are also a regularly requested item.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

You will notice we have placed shoeboxes in the narthex. Collection date is Sunday, November 24. You will also notice their request of a \$9.00 donation to cover the cost of shipping. Don't fret over this. If you wish to fill a shoebox, but feel the added expense of shipping is too much, just fill the shoebox. Or, if filling a shoebox puts too great a financial strain on you, consider donating \$9.00 to cover the shipping cost of one shoebox. If neither of these two options works for you, you might consider making a donation of \$6.00 to cover the cost of providing one child with a Bible and the materials for the 12-lesson course.

let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

\*Canticle of Praise

"This is the Feast"

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\*Prayer of the Day

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

### WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.\*

FIRST READ-ING

Job

suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.

A reading from Job 19:23-27a

<sup>23</sup>"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!

O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;

<sup>26</sup>and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God,
 <sup>27a</sup>whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 17:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Hear a just cause, O LORD; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

<sup>2</sup>Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice.

<sup>3</sup>Examine my heart, visit me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

<sup>4</sup>I have not regarded what others do; at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.

<sup>5</sup>My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path; and my feet do not slip.

<sup>6</sup>I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.

<sup>7</sup>Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,

O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise against them.

<sup>8</sup>Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings,

<sup>9</sup>from the wicked who assault me, from my deadly enemies who surround me.

### **SECOND READING**

Paul writes to encourage the church at Thessalonica in a time of confusion and opposition. Here, the confusion concerned the return of Christ.

Paul writes to those who were allowing their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.

so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" **ELW #547** 

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Live in love as Christ loves us.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### THOSE SERVING TODAY

Ministers: All God's People, Pastor:: Cathleen Morris, Organist: Nalani

### **SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.\*

Bever, Leonard Arndt, Greet-

ers: Barb and John Ornes,

Reader: Leonard Arndt, Altar: Nalani and Greg Bever,

Communion Server: Barb Ornes

Ushers: Greg Bever, Leonard Arndt, Steve Brandau, Jerry Von Haden

#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

Katie Wallace, Shirley Meranti, Linda Bauer, Helen Summerfield, Lois Schultz, Linda Finnigan, Stuart Thayer, Becky Smith, Ian Hefner, Florence Krause, Judy Bever, Tammy Roscovious, Darlene and Paul Babbitt, Pam Eaton, Cliff Herman, Jeff Sullivan, Dakota Holiday, Alan Vlasak, Spencer Arndt, Ron Miller, Carla Von Haden

#### IN THE MILITARY

Jacob Picha, Todd Nofsinger, Dylan Dougherty, Robert Cale

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to our Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

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### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Words of Institution

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

P: God keeps adding places to the table. Come to the banquet that has no end.

Distribution

Everyone who believes in Jesus is welcome at Christ's table.

"Lamb of God"

ELW p. 154

#### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities,

## A reading from 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

<sup>1</sup>As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup>not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. <sup>3</sup>Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. <sup>4</sup>He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup>But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup>For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

<sup>16</sup>Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup>comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

\*Gospel Acclamation

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#### **GOSPEL READING**

The Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God, to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are

fulfilled.

The gospel according to Luke 20:27-38

## Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup>Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] <sup>28</sup>and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. <sup>29</sup>Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; <sup>30</sup>then the second <sup>31</sup>and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup>Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup>In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; <sup>35</sup>but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup>Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup>And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup>Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

\*Hymn "I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"

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## **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION** (Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.)

#### \*PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us show signs of Christ's peace.

#### **OFFERING**

# **MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ\*

\*Offertory Hymn

"We Are and Offering"

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\*Offertory Prayer

We thank you, God our host, for inviting us here to taste the future when you will feed all the hungry at your table. Keep this hope alive in us and in our communities, so that we might bring hope to a suffering world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**