

Good Soil Lutheran Ministries
Growing Together in Christ



20th Sunday After Pentecost
October 23, 2022
9:30 a.m.

Key:

Bold Font – Spoken by the Congregation

Regular Font – Spoken by the Pastor or Worship Assistant

† – Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit.

*Please Note: In an effort to protect those who are vulnerable, **masking is strongly recommended**. In addition, the first four rows of pews on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved as a “masking only” section (for those who wish to be in close proximity only with others who are masking).*

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Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God’s forgiveness. Keep the faith. God’s people shall be accounted righteous for Jesus’ sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For this we worship and glorify God forever.

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude and Welcome

In the Confession and Forgiveness, we are drawn by God’s mercy to prepare to assemble around the Word and Sacrament. It may be seen as a return to the gift of Baptism through repentance.

† Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who is eager to forgive
and who loves us beyond our days.
Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,
we confess that sin still has a hold on us.
We have harmed your good creation.

**We have failed to do justice,
love kindness,
and walk humbly with you.
Turn us in a new direction.
Show us the path that leads to life.
Be our refuge and strength on the journey,
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.
Amen.**

Beloved of God:
your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.
God points the way to new life in Christ,
who meets us on the road.
Journey now in God's abiding love
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

**Gathering Hymn: Rise, O Sun of Righteousness
ELW 657 vs 1, 2, 4, & 5**

- 1 Rise, O Sun of righteousness;
with your might creation bless.
Shine upon your church today,
showing all your gentle way.
Have mercy, Lord.
- 2 Rouse our hearts from slumber deep;
may your word within us leap.
Give us voices to proclaim
praises to your holy name.
Have mercy, Lord.
- 4 Burst the bars of stubborn pride;
make the heav'nly pathway wide.
Raise us up from sin and death
with your Spirit's living breath.

Have mercy, Lord.

- 5 Honor, praise, and glory be
to the holy Trinity!
May your gracious will be done:
make us one, as you are one.
Have mercy, Lord.

Text: Christian David, et al.; tr. Frank W. Stoldt, b. 1958
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*The
presiding
minister
greet the
assembly
with the
words used
by Paul in
2nd
Corinthians
to greet
churches.
The assembly
also greets
the presiding
minister in
return. It is a
moment of
mutuality
that signifies
trust, love,
mutual
service, and
a shared
hope in
God.*

† Greeting

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.

† Hymn of Praise: O Master, Let Me Walk with You
ELW 818 v 1

1 O Master, let me walk with you
in lowly paths of service true;
tell me your secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Text: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918, alt.

*The Prayer
of the Day
highlights
themes from
the scripture
readings we
are about to
hear.*

† Prayer of the Day

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Word

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

New Testament Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

To put this reading into context:

The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.

Hear now the reading:

⁶As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84:1-7 (read responsively)

¹How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

²**My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

³Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

⁴**Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise.**

⁵Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

⁶**As they go through the valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.**

⁷They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

*We welcome
the gospel
by singing
the Gospel
Acclamation.*

† Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Gospel reading is announced. We rise to our feet, if able, as a sign of respect and anticipation for the Gospel that reveals Jesus Christ to us.

† Gospel Reading: Luke 18:9-14

To put this gospel reading into context:

The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

	<p>Children's Sermon</p> <p><i>Children aged Pre-K through 3rd grade are invited to leave the service after the Children's Sermon and attend the 1st part of Sunday School instruction (2nd part to resume in classes after worship.)</i></p>
	<p>Sermon: The Rev. Marissa Harrison</p> <p><i>Silence for Reflection</i></p>
<p><i>The Hymn of the Day invites the Assembly's participation in the sermon event—it is a response to the proclaimed Word of God.</i></p>	<p>† Hymn of the Day: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy ELW 587</p> <p>1 There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea; there's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n. There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.</p> <p>2 There is welcome for the sinner, and a promised grace made good; there is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood. There is grace enough for thousands of new worlds as great as this; there is room for fresh creations in that upper home of bliss.</p> <p>3 For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind; and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. But we make this love too narrow</p>

by false limits of our own;
and we magnify its strictness
with a zeal God will not own.

4 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;
it is something more than all:
greater good because of evil,
larger mercy through the fall.
Make our love, O God, more faithful;
let us take you at your word,
and our lives will be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

Apostles' Creed

In the month of October, we're exploring Luther's explanations of the articles of the Apostles' Creed in anticipation of Reformation Sunday on October 30. Today we explore Article 3: "God the Holy Spirit (Sanctifier)."

P: Let us confess our faith.

**C: 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.**

P: What does this mean?

C: I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the

true faith, just as the Holy Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

As the church, we pray for those in our community and around the world. The prayers are also responsive, emphasizing our participation.

† Prayers of Intercession

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.


God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare. Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people and bring healing to all in need especially Max, Jae, Jeff, Oakley, Andrew, Jamie, Willie, Char, Jen, Rich, Jerry,

	<p>Marie, Jeanette, Wardell, Gloria, . . . and those whom we lift up in our hearts silently or aloud. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.</p> <p>With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.</p>
<p><i>A practice of the ancient church, where we recognize Christ's peace in one another and share it together.</i></p>	<p>† Passing of the Peace</p> <p>The Peace of Christ be with you always, And also with you.</p> <p><i>The people greet one another saying, "Peace" or "Peace be with you" sharing the peace of Christ with one another in a no-touch or low-touch way, such as a wave, peace sign, or elbow bump.</i></p>
<p><i>God entrusts us with everything we have. Our offering is one way we give thanks to God and support the</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Meal</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.</i></p> <p>Offering</p> <p>God's ministry through Good Soil makes a difference, and your offering makes that possible. Help Good Soil continue making an impact by giving at www.goodsoillutheran.org/support or by using this QR code:</p>

<p><i>ministry of the church.</i></p>	<p><i>Aim your phone camera at the QR code, but don't take a picture. A link will appear to click on that will take you to Good Soil's support page.</i></p>	
<p><i>The offering is brought forward to the altar to signify our gratitude for God's blessings.</i></p>	<p>† Offering Hymn: Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In ACS 950 v 1-3</p> <p>1 Oh, when the saints go marching in, oh, when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.</p> <p>2 Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.</p> <p>3 Oh, when the new world is revealed, oh, when the new world is revealed, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the new world is revealed.</p> <p>Text: African American spiritual</p>	
	<p>† Offering Prayer</p> <p>Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.</p>	

† Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

† Sanctus

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .
. . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

† Words of Institution

<p><i>The Lord's Prayer is Jesus' response to his disciples when they asked him to teach them how to pray.</i></p>	<p>† Lord's Prayer</p> <p>Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.</p> <p>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</p> <p>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>
	<p>† Invitation to the Table</p> <p>Christ invites you to this table. Come, taste and see.</p>
	<p>Communion Hymn: Out of the Depths I Cry to You ELW 600</p> <p>1 Out of the depths I cry to you; O Lord God, hear me calling. Incline your ear to my distress in spite of my rebelling. Do not regard my sinful deeds. Send me the grace my spirit needs; without it I am nothing.</p> <p>2 All things you send are full of grace; you crown our lives with favor. All our good works are done in vain without our Lord and Savior. We praise you for the gift of faith; you save us from the grip of death; our lives are in your keeping.</p>

- 3 In you alone, O God, we hope,
and not in our own merit.
We rest our fears in your good Word
and trust your Holy Spirit.
Your promise keeps us strong and sure;
we trust the cross, your signature,
inscribed upon our temples.
- 4 My soul is waiting for you, Lord,
as one who longs for morning;
no watcher waits with greater hope
than I for your returning.
I hope as Israel in the Lord,
who sends redemption through the Word.
Praise God for grace and mercy!

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† Post-Communion Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you
and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

The Sending

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

*With the
blessing of
God, we go
out to live as
Christ's body
in the world.*

† Blessing

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, † one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
Amen.

† Sending Hymn: Praise to You, O God of Mercy ELW 208

1 Praise to you, O God of mercy:
thanks be to you forever!
Raising high the weak and lowly:
thanks be to you forever!

2 From of old you loved and sought us:
thanks be to you forever!
Truth and justice you have taught us:
thanks be to you forever!

Bridge

Strong is your faithfulness,
strong is your love,
rememb'ring your covenant of life with us.

3 Praise to you, O God of mercy:
thanks be to you forever!
Raising high the weak and lowly:
thanks be to you forever!
Thanks be to you forever!

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*The dismissal
sends us out
into the
world as
Christ's
Body—fed,
nourished,
and ready to
serve.
Worship has
ended, and
our service
begins!*

† Dismissal

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Today's Worship Servants:

Presiding: The Rev. Marissa Harrison	Reader: Ellen Young
Ushers: Barbara Demko-Werner Kim Wylie	Counters: Larry Jacobson Barbara Munch
Online Usher: Karen Sperli	Acolyte: George Young



Announcements from Good Soil Sunday, October 23 2022

For those in need of healing, comfort, or strength: Max Bechtel; Jae, Jeff, and Oakley; Andrew Evatt; Ed Fink; Wardell Griggs; Jamie Lanter; Willie Lee, Char Mattson; Jen Mitterholzer; Rich Petrusky; Jerry and Marie Sternad; Jeanette Weidlich; Gloria Weidlich

For those celebrating birthdays:

Hannah Alusheff (Oct 27), Luca Sburlea (Oct 29)

For those celebrating wedding anniversaries:

Michael and JoAnne Wancata (Oct 26)

For those celebrating the anniversaries of their baptism:

Evan Lanter (Oct 23)

The flowers adorning the altar this week are a gift to the glory of God by the West Side Hungarian Lutheran Church to commemorate the 66th anniversary of the 1956 Hungarian Uprising.

Acolyte training for interested kids in 2nd grade and above will be held today following worship. This is a good opportunity for the youth to serve as leaders in the life of the congregation. We will also be offering the training again in 2023 for those interested.

Everyday Saints Slide Show – We’re preparing a slide show for Sun, Nov 6 to showcase the Everyday Saints who have had an impact on your life. We ask that you submit a photo of your everyday saint along with 2 sentences about how that person shared Christ’s love with you, helped you grow in faith, etc. Use the QR code for prompts when thinking about what an everyday saint does. Email your photo and sentences to our livestream team at goodsoilav@gmail.com by Tues, Nov. 1



Depolarizing Within Workshop by Braver Angels: We need to find solutions to our nation’s problems, but we can’t do that if we see the “other side” as enemies and strangers. Come to the Depolarizing Within Workshop presented by Braver Angels on Thursday, Oct 25 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at West Shore Unitarian Universalist across the street from Good Soil to learn more about how we can all work together. If you have questions about the event please contact Joan Clark at kj.clark@gmail.com.

Pub Theology Returns! Martin Luther notably took many conversations about life and faith out of the church building and often had these discussions over glasses of beer in the local tavern. Continuing in that great tradition of Luther, pub theology returns for the Good Soil community this fall! Three sessions will build on one another as we explore foundational Lutheran theological principles, following the content of Dave Daubert's book, "Lutheran Trump Cards: Playing Our Best Hand in the 21st Century." Each session will be held at 7pm for 3 consecutive Wednesdays at Immigrant Son Brewery, 18120 Sloane Ave in Lakewood. On Sun, Nov 13, an Adult Forum will be held after worship to give a brief overview of the content for those who weren't able to make the sessions, but are interested in the material. Plan to join the group at Immigrant Son for fun, fellowship, and learning. Drinking of beer is optional :)

Dates for Lutheran Pub Theology Cards:

Oct 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Nov 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Nov 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar for Reformation and Intent Sunday, Oct 30: Intent Cards will be received during worship and we'll join in together for a celebratory potluck meal after worship at 11:00 a.m. Sign up on the sheet in the hallway outside the Lounge indicating what entrée, veggie, or dessert you'd like to bring to share. This event will also include a "multiplying ministry" party where the whole congregation will be invited to help decide where a portion of the tithes of Gary Dennison's estate will go toward supporting 10 different organizations doing God's work in our wider community and world. Come get your "good bucks" and join in on the fun!

Calendar of Events		
Sun, Oct 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Adult Forum with Sonja Markwart, ELCA Regional Gift Planner • Acolyte Training • Sunday School • Coffee Hour • Conference-wide Confirmation Bonfire, Prince of Peace, Westlake 	<p>9:30 am</p> <p>10:30 am</p> <p>10:30 am</p> <p>10:30 am</p> <p>10:30 pm</p> <p>4:00 -6:00 pm</p>
Wed, Oct 26	Pub Theology Session #1 – Immigrant Son Brewery, Lakewood	7:00 pm
Sun, Oct 30	<p>REFORMATION AND INTENT SUNDAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In-Person and Livestream Worship • Sunday School • Potluck and "Multiplying Ministry" Party! 	<p>9:30 am</p> <p>10:30 am</p> <p>11:00 am</p>
Wed, Nov 2	Pub Theology Session #2 – Immigrant Son Brewery, Lakewood	7:00 p.m.
Thurs, Nov 3	• Confirmation Class, Bethesda on the Bay, Bay Village	5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Sat, Nov 5	• Ladies' Breakfast at Gene's Place	9:00 a.m.