



## **10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

August 14, 2022

### **Opening Hymn #447**

#### ***Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might***

1. Fight the good fight With all thy might;  
Christ is thy Strength and Christ thy Right.  
Lay hold on life, and it shall be  
Thy joy and crown eternally.

2. Run the straight race Thro' God's good grace;  
Lift up thine eyes and seek His face.  
Life with its way before us lies;  
Christ is the Path and Christ the Prize.

3. Cast care aside; Upon thy Guide  
Lean, and His mercy will provide;  
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove  
Christ is its Life and Christ its Love.

4. Faint not nor fear, His arms are near;  
He changeth not, and thou art dear.  
Only believe, and thou shalt see  
That Christ is All in all to thee.

### **Invocation**

P We worship today in the name of the Father and of the Son and  
of the Holy Spirit.

C ♪ **Amen.**

## Confession & 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 sins.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**P & C O most merciful God, who has given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgiveth us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the sons of God and hath promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

**C ♪Amen.**

## Introit

P: Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;

**C: he will never permit the righteous to be moved.**

P: Give ear to my prayer, O God,

**C: and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!**

P: For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could bear it;  
**C: it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could hide from him.**  
P: But it is you, a man, my equal,  
**C: my companion, my familiar friend.**  
P: We used to take sweet counsel together;  
**C: within God’s house we walked in the throng.**  
P: But I call to God,  
**C: and the LORD will save me.**  
P: Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;  
**C: he will never permit the righteous to be moved.**

### **Gloria Patri**

**C ♪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.**

### **The Kyrie**

**C ♪Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### **Gloria in Excelsis – (Hymn #238 v.1)**

All glory be to God alone,  
Forevermore the Highest One,  
Who doth our sinful race befriend,  
And grace and peace to us extend.  
Among mankind may His good will  
All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.

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

### **The Collect for the Day**

P Let us pray..... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C ♪ Amen.

### **The First Lesson – Jeremiah 23:16-29**

<sup>16</sup>Thus says the LORD of hosts: “Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. <sup>17</sup>They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, ‘It shall be well with you’; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, ‘No disaster shall come upon you.’”<sup>18</sup>For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? <sup>19</sup>Behold, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. <sup>20</sup>The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. <sup>21</sup>“I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. <sup>22</sup>But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. <sup>23</sup>“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup>Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. <sup>25</sup>I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, ‘I have dreamed, I have dreamed!’ <sup>26</sup>How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, <sup>27</sup>who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? <sup>28</sup>Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. <sup>29</sup>Is not

my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

**Psalm of the Day – Psalm 119:81-88**  
**Antiphon – WS pg. 42**

***Antiphon –***

*Keep me, keep me as the apple of Your eye. Hide me, hide me in the shadow of Your wings.*

My soul longs for your sal- | vation;\*

**I hope | in your word.**

My eyes long for your | promise;\*

**I ask, “When will you | comfort me?”**

For I have become like a wineskin | in the smoke,\*

**yet I have not forgotten your | statutes.**

How long must your ser- | vant endure?\*

**When will you judge those who perse- | cute me?**

The insolent have dug pit- | falls for me;\*

**they do not live according | to your law.**

All your command- | ments are sure;\*

**they persecute me with falsehood; | help me!**

They have almost made an end of me | on earth,\*

**but I have not forsaken your | precepts.**

In your steadfast love | give me life,\*

**that I may keep the testimonies | of your mouth.**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

***Antiphon –***

*Keep me, keep me as the apple of Your eye. Hide me, hide me in the shadow of Your wings.*

## **The Second Lesson – Hebrews 11:17–40; 12:1–3**

<sup>7</sup>By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, <sup>18</sup>of whom it was said, “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” <sup>19</sup>He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. <sup>20</sup>By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. <sup>21</sup>By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. <sup>22</sup>By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. <sup>23</sup>By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king’s edict. <sup>24</sup>By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, <sup>25</sup>choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. <sup>26</sup>He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. <sup>27</sup>By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. <sup>28</sup>By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. <sup>29</sup>By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. <sup>32</sup>And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— <sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in

war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— <sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. <sup>39</sup>And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. <sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup>Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

### **The Gradual**

P: Fear the LORD, you his saints,

**C: for those who fear him lack nothing!**

P: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

**C: but the LORD delivers him out of them all. Hallelujah!**

### **Triple Hallelujah**

#### **The Gospel – Luke 12:49-53**

<sup>49</sup>[Jesus said:] “I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. <sup>52</sup>For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup>They will be divided,

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

**Confession of Faith**  
***Apostle's Creed***

**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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Hymn of the Day #261**  
***Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word***

1. Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word;  
Curb those who fain by craft and sword  
Would wrest the Kingdom from Thy Son  
And set at naught all He hath done.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Thy power make known,  
For Thou art Lord of lords alone;  
Defend Thy Christendom that we  
May evermore sing praise to Thee.

3. O Comforter of priceless worth.  
Send peace and unity on earth.

Support us in our final strife  
And lead us out of death to life.

**Sermon Text – Jeremiah 23:16-29**

**Sermon**

***Christ's Suffering and Death Bring Division***

**Offertory**

**Offering of Thankful Hearts**

**Prayer of the Church**

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P: Gracious God, our fathers in the faith gave a good confession of Your truth before the powers of this world. In the spirit of Jeremiah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, strengthen our hearts in days of division to confess in our words and lives the glory of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord of hosts, You inspired Your servant Jeremiah to proclaim Your Word amid the lies of false prophets. Arm Your servants in our day with the power of Your Holy Spirit to contradict the lies of the enemy, and build up Your Church upon the eternal foundation of Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Heavenly Father, You settle the solitary in families in order to nurture their faith and train them in righteousness. Bless and strengthen parents to bring up their children to resist temptation and to endure all things for the sake of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God Almighty, behold our nation and all those in authority in Your mercy and replenish them by Your grace, that all who receive the sword would bear it according to Your Word, always inclining to Your will and walking in Your way. Grant that we might lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: O Lord, grant healing to the sick, [*especially to* (silent prayer),] strength to the weak, endurance to bear up under trial, patience to await His deliverance and peace at the last. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Lord God, Your Son promises division even as He promises salvation. Inspire our hearts to prize our Baptism and the communion of the saints above all other relations in this world, even as we fervently pray and strive for the salvation of those we know and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Hear us, most merciful Father, in these our humble requests, which we offer unto You in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

## **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Sermon Hymn #399**

#### ***Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower***

1. Thee will I love, my Strength, my Tower;  
Thee will I love, my Hope, my Joy;  
Thee will I love with all my power,  
With ardor time shall ne'er destroy.  
Thee will I love, O Light Divine,

So long as life is mine.

2. Thee will I love, my Life, my Savior,  
Who art my best and truest Friend;  
Thee will I love and praise forever,  
For never shall Thy kindness end;  
Thee will I love with all my heart,  
Thou my Redeemer art.

3. I thank Thee, Jesus, Sun from heaven,  
Whose radiance hath bro't light to me;  
I thank Thee, who hast richly given  
All that could make me glad and free;  
I thank Thee that my soul is healed  
By what Thy lips revealed.

4. Oh, keep me watchful, then, and humble  
And suffer me no more to stray;  
Uphold me when my feet would stumble,  
Nor let me loiter by the way.  
Fill all my nature with Thy light,  
O Radiance strong and bright!

5. Oh, teach me, Lord, to love Thee truly  
With soul and body, head and heart,  
And grant me grace that I may duly  
Practice fore'er love's sacred art.  
Grant that my every thought may be  
Directed e'er to Thee.

6. Thee will I love, my Crown of gladness;  
Thee will I love, my God and Lord,  
Amid the darkest depths of sadness,  
Not for the hope of high reward--  
For Thine own sake, O Light Divine,  
So long as life is mine.

## **Prayer & The Benediction**

### **Closing Hymn #521 (v. 1-4) *What God Ordains Is Always Good***

1. What God ordains is always good;  
His will abideth holy.

As He directs my life for me,  
I follow meek and lowly.  
God indeed in every need  
Doth well know how to shield me;  
To Him, then, I will yield me.

2. What God ordains is always good.

He never will deceive me;  
He leads me in His own right way,  
And never will He leave me.  
I take content What He hath sent;  
His hand that sends me sadness  
Will turn my tears to gladness.

3. What God ordains is always good.

His loving thought attends me;  
No poison can be in the cup  
That my Physician sends me.  
My God is true; Each morn anew  
I'll trust His grace unending,  
My life to Him commending.

4. What God ordains is always good.

He is my Friend and Father;  
He suffers naught to do me harm,  
Though many storms may gather.  
Now I may know Both joy and woe,  
Some day I shall see clearly  
That He hath loved me dearly.

## **Silent Prayer**

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