

The Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

Hope Lutheran Church Worship Service

October 6, 2024

10:00 a.m.

Worship Service

Live streaming on Facebook at HopeLutheranChurchCbus

Zoom info:

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WELCOME

Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does?

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

A: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A: Gracious God.

C: Have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \oplus Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

God Sent His Son

(TFF 93)

Please turn to 93 of your TFF hymnal.

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

(TFF pg. 48)

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

¹ Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain.

Whose blood set us free, to be people of God.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

And join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing and honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

³ For the Lamb, who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia

This is the Feast, of victory for our God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

²Sing with all the people of God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: Sovereign God,

C: You have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM 8

Read responsively

O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,

human beings that you should care for them?

Yet you have made them little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

all flocks and cattle.

even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING

Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things. through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (TFF pg. 32)

Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God

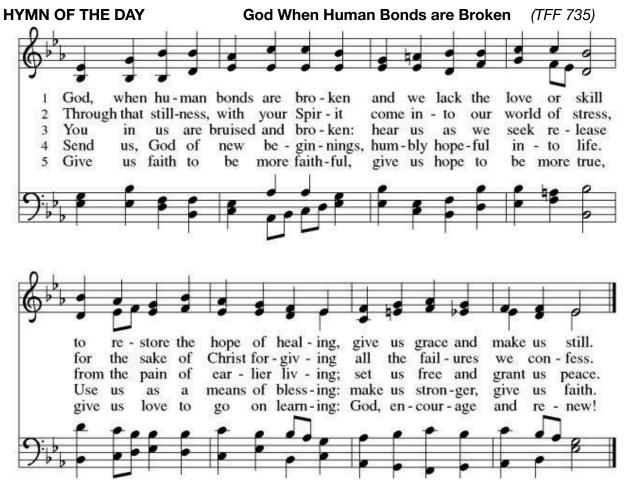
belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

YOUNG PEOPLE SERMON

SERMON



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 THE CHURCH

A: Hear us, O God,

C: Your mercy is great.

WE SHARE PEACE

A: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

QUIET TIME Hope Musicians

OFFERTORY Let The Vineyards (TFF pg. 36)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest of seeds that were sown, that we may be fed the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all, unite them with the prayers we offer.

Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Blessed are you, O God,

C: Source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

SANCTUS Holy, Holy, Holy (TFF pg. 38)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of power and might.

Heaven and Earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen

LAMB OF GOD (TFF pg. 39)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Grant us peace. Grant us peace.

SHARING THE MEAL

COMMUNION HYMNS

Come Let Us Eat (TFF 119)

One Bread, One Body (TFF122)

BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **C: Amen.**

CANTICLE Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise (TFF pg. 41)

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name

Send us with your promises O God;

and lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving, with shouts of thanksgiving,

With shouts of thanksgiving, Alleluia

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Holy God,

C: You have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: Emboldened by God's eternal and unconditional love for all people, let us go and do likewise, and share our blessings with neighbors near and far, in the name of the Father, the Son +, and the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.



DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

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Worship Participants this Week

Presiding and Preaching: Pastor Julianne Smeck

Ministers: All worshippers

Pianist: Jacob Campbell Bassist: Dan Abell Guitar: Kurt Keljo Drummer: Seth Daily

Reader: Kim Fedrick

Worship Assistant: Don Huber Acolyte: Deven McDaniel Usher: Florine Castleman Worship Leaders Next Week

Reader: Susan Keljo

Worship Assistant: Adam Viney

Acolyte: Darren McDaniel Usher: Kim Fedrick

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PRAYER REQUESTS Francene Travis, Kay Strahler, Grace Winfrey, Gloria Jones, Beverly Chavis, Barbara McDaniel, Ernest and Alfrida Watts, Fay Forrest, Rosa Campbell, Tracy Snow, Margaret Belcher, Monica Price

WORSHIP COMMITTEE Meets Monday, at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be at Hope.

PROPERTY CONCERNS Please send emails to office@hopecolumbus.org with concerns. You will be contacted quickly. The date for the church clean-up has been set: October 12! We're doing something a little different by having a breakfast potluck <u>before</u> we work. There is a sign-up sheet on the kitchen door. Bring something to share — and you will be fueled for the indoor tasks! Potluck breakfast will begin at 9:00 a.m.

OCTOBER CALENDAR

- 7. Worship Committee at 6:00
- 8. Church Council at 6:30
- 9. Quilters at 9:00; One week Bible Study break
- 12. Church Clean-Up (inside) plus breakfast potluck 9:00 a.m.
- 13. Winston White Concert. 4:00 Asbury North United Methodist Cut-off for Soiree tickets and donations

18. Annual Soiree and Wine Sip. 6:00-10:00 pm @ Capital University Campus Center

LWR UPDATE The Quilters of Hope continue to meet on the second Wednesday of the month from nine to noon. This year, 77 quilts, 5 layettes, and 54 personal care kits are being shipped. Also, WELCA donated \$200 to go towards shipping. Thank you to our faithful quilters; Susan Keljo, Doris Nelson, Shirley Huber, Florine Castleman, Gwyn Abell, Regina Duffy, and Nancy Cofer. We also remember Tammy Carraher. Thanks to all for their cash and supply donations. We more than doubled our personal care kits. It's amazing! Thanks to all who helped set up our work tables, who helped pack, and for transporting our donations to St. Luke's for delivering to LWR. Please continue your donations of used sheets, blankets, fabric, etc. We welcome any new members on the second Wednesday!

BIBLE STUDY We will not have Bible Study this Wednesday, in observance of the Fairfield County Fair.

GIVE WITH THE VENMO APP

To give offerings and tithes via Venmo:

- *Download the Venmo app
- *Set up bank account info, or debit card info
- *Touch "Pay" or "Request" at the bottom
- *Enter the church cell phone number. (614) 907-3869
- *Church user name @HopeLilley-820
- *Enter offering amount

Note: When setting up an account, select "Private: mode for transactions.





We welcome all people into our community of faith and invite them to join us as we seek to understand God's love for us and strive to be faithful messengers of that love.



Hope WELCA's

5th Annual

Autumn Soiree



Friday, October 18th 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Capital University Campus Center 745 Pleasant Ridge Avenue, Bexley, OH 43209

Tickets \$25



Your Presence Desired





Please provide gift cards & baskets by Sunday, Oct 13th.

Donate Gift Cards!

Contribute Gift Baskets!

Questions? See Erin, Janet, Lisa or Sarah

Basket Theme Ideas	Suggestions
"Bundle of Joy"	Baby toys, diapers, baby book, bib, socks, baby wash, onesie
"BrrrIt's Cold Out There"	Gloves, window scraper, chapstick, hand lotion, hand warmers
"Let's Barbeque"	BBQ utensils, sauces, apron, vinyl picnic table cover
"Patio Time"	Citronella candles, twinkle lights, outdoor game
"Gettin' Down to Business"	Stapler, pens, pencils, post-it notes, push pins, folders, note pad, desk organizer
"Child's Play"	Coloring books, crayons, "slime", small games, stickers, simple puzzles
"Heavenly Scents"	Scented candles, air freshner plug-ins, lighter, sachets
"Sweet Treats"	Variety of candies
"Soup's On"	Cans of soup, soup mixes, crackers, soup pot, ladle
"Wine Among Friends"	Bottle of wine, glasses, charcuterie items
"Crazy for Coffee"	Coffee, coffee mugs, biscotti, creamer, sweetners, chocolate
"Feline Friend"	Cat treats, cat toys, cat nip, food/water bowls
"Go Fetch"	Dog treats, dog toys, food/water bowls
"Be Blessed"	Faith-related items such as a journal, devotional book, coffee mug, note cards, etc.