



*You  
are  
the Christ*

**Sunday, August 23, 2020**

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## *Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost*

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*Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship.  
May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill  
your life with the lively hope and lasting joy.*

## “Who Do You Say I Am”

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Setting One, LSB#151

### Opening Hymn “Christ is Our Cornerstone” #912

Christ is our cornerstone, on Him alone we build;  
With His true saints alone the courts of heav’n are filled.  
On His great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.

Here may we gain from heav’n the grace which we implore,  
And may that grace, once giv’n, be with us evermore  
Until that day when all the blest to endless rest are called away.

Please Rise

Oh, then, with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring;  
Our voices we will raise the Three in One to sing and thus proclaim  
In joyful song, both loud and long, that glorious name.

### INVOCATION

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

**C: Amen.**

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.**

### CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Silence for reflection on God’s Word

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.**

### INTROIT *Psalm 67*

P: May God be gracious to us and bless us

**C: and make His face to shine upon us.**

P: that Your way may be known on earth,

**C: Your saving power among all nations.**

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C: Let all the peoples praise you!**

P: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**C: For you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations up on earth.**

P: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**C: Let all the peoples praise you!**

P: The earth has yielded its increase;

**C: God, our God, shall bless us.**

P: God shall bless us;

**C: let all the ends of the earth fear him!**

**All: 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.**

### KYRIE (Canted and sung)

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: (sing) Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: 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.**

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

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

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

**C: A - men.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #802

Immortal invisible God only wise in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life Thou givest – to both great and small –  
In all life Thou livest, the true Life of all;  
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree  
And wither and perish – but naught changes Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor Of light that hides Thee.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Isaiah 51:1-6* "My salvation will be forever, and My righteousness will never be dismayed."

**1**"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn; **2**look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him he was but one, and I blessed him and made him many. **3**The Lord will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the Lord. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing. **4**"Listen to me, my people; hear me, my nation: The law will go out from me; my justice will come a light to the nations. **5**My righteousness draws near speedily, my salvation is on the way, and my arm will bring justice to the nations. The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm. **6**Lift up your eyes to the heavens, look at the earth beneath; the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment and its inhabitants die like flies. But my salvation will last forever, my righteousness will never fail.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL**

P: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

**C: How unsearchable His judgments, and His paths beyond tracing out!**

P: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

**C: To Him be the glory forever! Amen.**

**EPISTLE** *Romans 12:1-8* (*Living Sacrifices*)

**1**Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. **2**Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.

**3**For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with

sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. **4**Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, **5**so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. **6**We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. **7**If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; **8**if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**ALL: (sing) Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Matthew 16:13-20 Jesus asks the disciples, "Who do you say I am?"*

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

**C: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.**

**13**When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

**14**They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

**15**"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

**16**Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

**17**Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. **18**And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. **19**I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." **20**Then he warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (sing) Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **SECOND ARTICLE OF APOSTLES' CREED**

**ALL: And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into Hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P: What does this mean?

**C: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, Born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Do You Know Me?"**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *"Built on the Rock the Church shall stand" #645 (Verses 1,2,3,5)*

Built on the Rock the Church shall stand even when steeples are falling.  
Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling.  
Calling the young and old to rest But above all the souls distressed  
Longing for rest everlasting.

Surely in temples made with hands God,  
the Most High, is not dwelling;  
High above earth His temple stands, all earthly temples excelling.  
Yet He who dwells in heav'n above chooses to live with us in love,  
Making our bodies His temple.

We are God's house of living stones, built for His own habitation.  
He through baptismal grace us owns heirs of His wondrous salvation.

Were we but two His name to tell, yet He would deign with us to dwell  
With all His grace and His favor.

Grant, then, O God, Your will be done,  
that, when the church bells are ringing,  
Many in saving faith may come where Christ His message is bringing:  
"I know My own; My own know Me,  
You, not the world, My face shall see My peace I leave with you. Amen.

**THE MESSAGE** *"You Are The Christ"*

**HYMN** *"The Church's One Foundation" #644 (Verses 1,2, & 5)*

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her, to be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation; one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace  
That we, like saints before us, may see You face to face.

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING HYMN** *"Blest Be The Tie That Binds" #649*

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear,  
And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

When here our pathways part, We suffer bitter pain;  
Yet, one in Christ and one In heart, We hope to meet again.

From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free  
And perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

GO IN PEACE AND SERVE THE LORD

**Take My Moments and My Days**

**Sunday, August 23**

9:00 am Worship Service

**Monday, August 24**

6:30 pm Worship Service

**Sunday, August 30**

9:00 am Worship Service

**Tomorrow night** we are having our contemporary style worship service with Holy Communion at 6:30 pm. Join us!

**Pork Chop & Sweetcorn Feed** is this evening from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Sherburn American Legion. Cost is \$7.00.

**Newsletter** will be printed this week. Please have all items turned in to the office by Monday afternoon. Thank you.

**September Sunday Services** will be held at 9:00 am . On Sunday, September 20th Sunday school classes will meet in their classrooms at church at 10:15 (following the 9:00 worship service).

**Rally Day** is Sunday, September 13 at Everett Park. Watch newsletter for more information on events and times.

**Options Pregnancy Center Baby Shower:** We are collecting the following items through the month of August for Options Pregnancy Center: Items for baby include: bath towel with hood and wash cloth, lotion and baby wash (gentle), new clothes sizes 0-3 and 3-6 months, baby wipes, diapers of all sizes, blankets and halo sleep sacks. Items for moms include: summer pajamas, lotion and body wash, nursing pads, emergency kit with bandaids, first aid cream, Kleenex, small flashlight, scissors, etc.

**The LWML Gifts from the Heart** is for the Correctional Ministry which helps Christian men and women who have been recently released from prison. The ministry provides housing, jobs, referrals to treatment, welcoming congregations, etc. Until they receive their first paycheck, they have some needs: The LWML is collecting the following items:

- ◆ Used good condition backpacks, duffle bags or luggage
- ◆ Tide pods
- ◆ Socks—men/women tube or crew socks (black or white)
- ◆ Food—complete meal non perishable such as soup, spaghetti, ramen noodles, peanut butter, jelly
- ◆ Bibles



**Prayers:** Mary Kay Schultz, Steve Luhmann

**Coping With Cancer:** Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Bob Blazejak, Nathan Behne, Andrea Mileham, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Paul Overgaard, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary Maday, Ginny Anderson, Georgia Holtz, Larry Norem, Lacy McNicol, Roger Spiegeler, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Robert Ziemer, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

**Care List:** Fern Hand, LaVerna Diekmann, Sue Dunker, Carroll Behne, Theodore Carnehl, Jan Manzey, Joyce Reigel, Reinold Hagen, Verna Bliesmer, Angie Leiding, Les Anderson, Taylor Antony, Dan Hanson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Butch Pierson, Joyce Hansen Picken, Lorraine Gagnon, Sammie Moeller, Whitney Kassner, Linda Chase, Lois Anderson, Adam Janssen, Helen Roebbeke, Bob Sherman, Bob Hoffmeyer, Marcella Broolsma, Bob Broolsma, and those we name in our hearts. *(Please help us keep this care list updated. We would like to know if families would like us to continue to have them on our care list, contact Pastor or the church office.)*

**Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week** Violet Lingle, Paul Anderson, Kelly Claussen, Doug Dunker, Jeremy Gibson, Heidi Howard, Ava Kitzmann, Broc Weber, Kolton Larson, Ryann Becker, Ethel Hagen, Narayan Nagalingam, Josh Roben, Seth Ringnell, Rachel Am-born, Dawn Duncan, Rod Duncan, Rod Hanson, Jack Leibfried, Wayne Nolte, Alexis Ringnell, Tyson Thate, Jordan Gregory, Barb Hagen, Riann Kitzmann, Laura Potthoff, Ali Sinn

**Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week:** Ken & Myrna Peters, Greg & Jennifer Beseke, Matt & Jessa Heller, Mike & Linda Schwager, Chuck & Sheryl Larson, Tom & Diane Nelson, Dustyn & Leah Hartung, Jory & Krista Wagenman

