Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 17, 2025 8:00 am

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

507 Holy, Holy, Holy

- Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

 Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
 Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
 God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee.

Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee.

Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!

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INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Leader: God's Word tells us that if we say we have not sinned, we make God out to be a

liar, and his Word is not in us. Knowing that one who keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it, let's take a few moments to call to mind those times during this past week where we have fallen short of God's standard in

our thoughts, our words, and our deeds.

TIME FOR SILENT REFLECTION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God our Father

People: 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

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake

forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

790 v. 1 & 5 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear

Now to His temple draw near,

Joining in glad adoration!

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the Amen

Sound from His people again;

Gladly forever adore Him!

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SALUTATION

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.

Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and forever.

People: Amen.

READINGS

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:16-17 - 23-29

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. 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.'"

"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? 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. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, 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? 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. Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1-5

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:49-53

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

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

BAPTISM Solomon Ledbetter

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN

709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.
- 2 Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.

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761 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me, Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.
- Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling. Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death, When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

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SERMON "False Prophets" Pastor Eric Clausen

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: And also with you.

AGNUS DEI

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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While I draw this fleeting breath,

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Leader: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks that we have again received the

Body and blood of Christ, the bread from heaven. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage, that we speak the truth in love and build up the Body of Christ until that day we see You face-to-face; through Jesus Christ, Your Son.

our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen

CLOSING HYMN

477 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

Alleluia, alleluia!

Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:

Sing to God a hymn of gladness,

Sing to God a hymn of praise;

He who on the cross a victim

For the world's salvation bled—

Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,

Now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia. Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat: See the ancient pow'rs of evil

In confusion and retreat:

Once He died, and once was buried:

Now He lives forevermore.

Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer,

Whom we worship and adore.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to God on high:

Alleluia to the Savior

Who has gained the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit,

Fount of love and sanctity!

Alleluia, alleluia

To the triune Majesty!

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DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace, serve the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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Is not my word like ...

a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

JEREMIAH 23:29, ESV

JEREMIAH 23

into which they shall be driven and fall;
for I will bring evil upon them in the year of their punishment, says the Lord.

31 In the prophets of Samar'ia
I saw an unsavory thing:
they prophesied by Ba'al
1 saw an unsavory thing:
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1 saw an unsavory thing:
they prophesied by Ba'al
1 have seen a horrible thing:
they commit adultery and walk in
lies;
they strengthen the hands of evildoers,
so that no one turns from his wickedness;
all of them have become like
Sodom to me,
and its inhabitants like Gomor's
rah."

They see thus says the LORD of the says the says the LORD of the says into which they shall be driven rah."

15 Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts concerning the prophets:

"Behold, I will feed them with hosts and hosts concerning the prophets:

"Behold, I will feed them with hosts and hosts and hosts are hosts and hosts are hosts and hosts are hosts and hosts are hosts are hosts and hosts are hosts ar wormwood, and give them poisoned water to drink; for from the prophets of Jeruungodliness has gone forth into all the land."

16 Thus says the LORD of h "Do not listen to the words prophets who prophesy to yo ing you with vain hopes; the visions of their own minds the mouth of the LORD, continually to those whe with you'; and to stubbornly follow they say, 'No evi 3.28: Jer 3.25; 9.12,

23.31: Jer 23.17

The Prophets of Jerusals

a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the h the wicked.

The anger of the Lord will turn back until he has executed and complished the intents of his mind. In the latter days you will stand it clearly.

21 "I did not send the prophet yet they ran;
I did not speak to them,
yet they prophesied.

22 But if the stood in my

il way, evil of

God at hand, says a God afar off? 24 (himself in secret place annot see him? says to I not fill heaven and eart LORD. ²⁵ I have hear way I not fill heaven and earl Lorgo. 25 I have heard who ophets have said who prophes in my name, saying. That amed, I have dreamed! 28 Hoog shall there be lies in the heaven of the prophets who prophesy lies and who prophets who prophesy lies own heart. 27 who think to make my people forget my name by the dreams which they tell one another even as their fathers forgot my name for Ba'all' 28 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? says the Lorgo. 31 hot Lorgo, and like a hammer which breaks the rock in pieces? 30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, says the Lorgo, who steal my words from one another. 31 Behold I am against the prophets, says the Lorgo, who steal my words from one another. 31 Behold I am against the prophets, says the Lorgo. Who steal my words from one another. 31 Behold I am against the prophets, says the Lorgo. "The Burden of the LORD"

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LORD, who use their tongues and say, Says the Lord, '12 Behold, I am against those who prophery lying drams, says the Lord, '13 Behold, I am against those who prophery lying drams, says the Lord, '14 Behold, I am against those who prophery lying them and lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or charge them; so they do not profit this people, and they do not profit this people, or a prophet, or a prophet, or a prophet, or a priest asks you, what is the burden of the Lord, '15 Behold, '15 Behold

24 After Nebuchadrez/zar kingof Babylon had taken into
tale from Jerusalem Jecom/ah the
san of Jehof/akim, king of Judah
Sgether with the princes of Judbe craftsmen, and the smiths,
ad brought them to Babylo
Lond showed me this visic
"Gk Vg: Heb What burden

JEREMIAH 25

blodd, two baskets of figs placed before the temple of the Lord. 2 One basket had very good figs, like first-ripe figs, but the other basket had very bad figs, so bad that they could not be eaten. 2 had the Lord said to me, "What do you see, Jeremiah?"

I said, "Figs, the good figs very good, and the bad figs very bad, so bad that they cannot be eaten."

4 Then the word of the Lord, the large is a good figs, and a good the exiles a good figs, and a good the exiles in thave sent away land of the

son of Jostah, king was the first year of Zar king of Babylon), mish the prophet spoke eople of Judah and all nts of Jerusalem: 3 "For e years, from the thir-