

*** **GODLY** ***
GOVERNMENT

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don’t worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children’s Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

Restrooms are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

LARGE PRINT copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Whether you are a guest or a member we would love to know you are here! Please use this QR code to sign our digital friendship register. There are also tablets available in the back of Church for you to sign in.



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister
Preacher
Organist

Pastor Aaron Winkelman
Pastor Collin Vanderhoof
David Porth

Morning Prayer

Hallelujah! Sing Praise to Your Creator

CW 616



1 Hal - le - lu - jah! Sing praise to your Cre - a - tor,
2 Praise the Lord, all moun - tains and o - ceans, roll - ing
3 Give to God all glo - ry and hon - or. From the



sun, moon, and stars and an - gels a - bove.
thun - der and wind and storm clouds on high.
depths to the heights let prais - es re - sound



Praise the Lord, whose word es - tab - lished the heav - ens, who up -
Praise the Lord, your mak - er, all liv - ing crea - tures, all the
to the Lord, the source of strength and sal - va - tion for all



holds all his works in his sov - 'reign love.
beasts in the field and birds in the sky.
peo - ple on whom his fa - vor is found.



God reigns on high, let the heav - ens re - jice! (Oh!)
Both young and old, come and join in the song! (Oh!)
Praise God, you saints he has claimed for his own! (Oh!)



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Both young and old, come and join in the song!
Praise God, you saints he has claimed for his own!

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Stand



O Lord, o - pen my lips,



and my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Has - ten to save me, O God;



O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



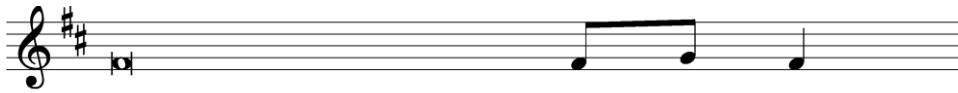
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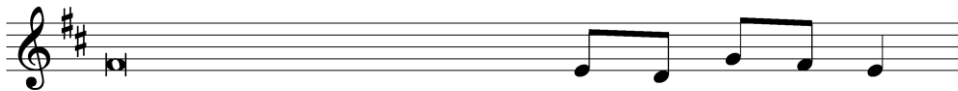
praise and thanks to God!

O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

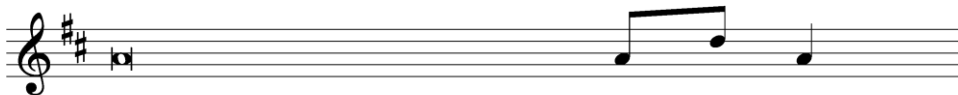
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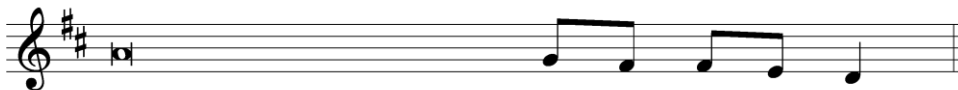
- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
- 2 For the Lord is a great _____ God
- 3 The sea is his, for he made _____ it,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
- 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
- 3 and his hand formed the dry _____ land.



- 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow _____ down,
- 4 For he is our God,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.
- 2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of his
pasture and the sheep of his _____ hand.

Be seated

First Reading

Daniel 1:3–21

³Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, chief of his court officials, to bring into the king's service some of the Israelites from the royal family and the nobility— ⁴young men without any physical defect, handsome, showing aptitude for every kind of learning, well informed, quick to understand, and qualified to serve in the king's palace. He was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians. ⁵The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service.

⁶Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. ⁷The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

⁸But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. ⁹Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, ¹⁰but the official told Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you."

¹¹Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, ¹²"Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. ¹³Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." ¹⁴So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days.

¹⁵At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. ¹⁶So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead.

¹⁷To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds.

¹⁸At the end of the time set by the king to bring them into his service, the chief official presented them to Nebuchadnezzar. ¹⁹The king talked with them, and he found none equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king's service. ²⁰In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.

²¹And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Proclaim to All the Nations

Psalm 96C

The Junior Choir will sing the verses.

Refrain



Pro - claim to all the na-tions the mar - vel-ous deeds of the



LORD! Pro - claim to all the na - tions the



mar - vel - ous deeds of the LORD!



mar - vel-ous deeds of the LORD, the LORD!

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands!
Sing to the LORD with all your heart and bless God's name! (Refrain)
- 2 Announce salvation day by day, God's glory throughout the earth!
Among all the people in ev'ry land, God's wondrous deeds! (Refrain)
- 3 Give to the LORD, you nations; praise to the LORD of all!
Sing glory and praise and sing to the name above all names! (Refrain)
- 4 Worship the LORD and tremble; proclaim the one who reigns!
Say to the nations: "The LORD is King," who rules with justice! (Refrain)

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Second Reading

Romans 13:1–7

¹Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. ²Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. ³For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. ⁴For the one in authority is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. ⁵Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience.

⁶This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. ⁷Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word

CW 862

Sung by the Junior Choir

- 1 *Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word;
curb those who by deceit or sword
would seek to overthrow your Son
and to destroy what he has done.*

- 2 *Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known,
for you are Lord of lords alone;
defend your Christendom that we
may sing your praise eternally.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

- 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.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

Please stand

Gospel

Matthew 22:15–22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. ¹⁶They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. “Teacher,” they said, “we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren’t swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. ¹⁷Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?”

¹⁸But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, “You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for paying the tax.” They brought him a denarius, ²⁰and he asked them, “Whose image is this? And whose inscription?”

²¹“Caesar’s,” they replied.

Then he said to them, “So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.”

²²When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

CW 619



1 Praise the Al - might - y; my soul, a - dore him!
 2 Pen - i - tent sin - ners, for mer - cy cry - ing,
 3 Trust not in princ - es, they are but mor - tal;
 4 Praise, all you peo - ple, the name so ho - ly



Yes, I will laud him un - til death. With songs and
 par - don and peace from him ob - tain; ev - er the
 earth-born they are and soon de - cay. Vain are their
 of him who does such won-drous things! All that has



an - thems I'll come be - fore him as long as
 wants of the poor sup - ply - ing, their faith - ful
 coun - sels at life's last por - tal when the dark
 be - ing, to praise him sole - ly, with hap - py



he al - lows me breath. From him my life and
 God he will re - main. He helps his chil - dren
 grave will claim its prey. Since, then, no one can
 heart its a - men sings! Chil - dren of God, with



all things came; bless, O my soul, his ho - ly
 in dis - tress, the wid - ows and the fa - ther -
 help af - ford, trust on - ly Christ, our God and
 an - gel host praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



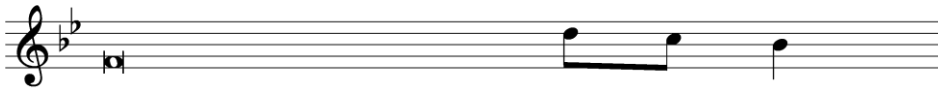
name. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 less. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Ghost! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Sermon

Stand

We Praise You, O God

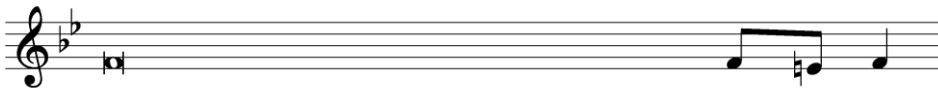
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- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;
- 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,
- 3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise — you.



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.
- 2 heaven and earth are full — of your glo - ry.
- 3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



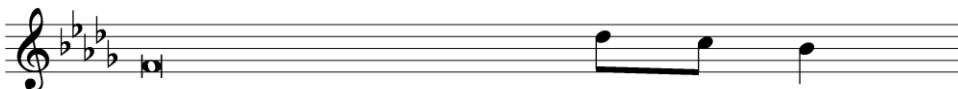
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,
- 2 The glorious company of apostles praise — you.
- 3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



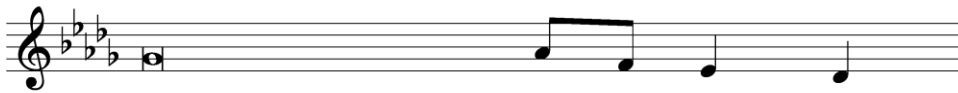
- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:
- 2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise — you.
- 3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



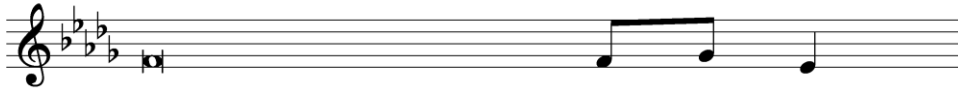
- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



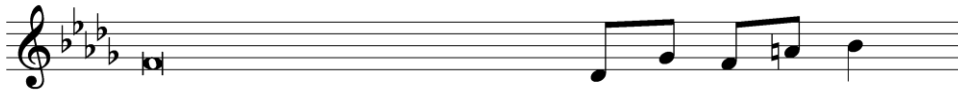
- 5 When you became man to set us free,
- 6 You sit at the right hand of God



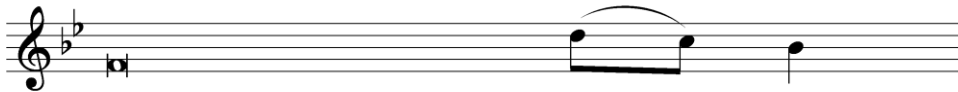
5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



5 You overcame the sting of death
6 We believe that you will come



5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
6 to be our judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

Offering

Offering boxes are available in the back of church. If you wish to give an electronic offering, you may use the QR code located at the end of the bulletin or you may go to pilgrimcares.org/giving. We present the offerings before the altar as a reminder that our giving overflows out of the Gospel and is itself an act of worship.

- 1 We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.
- 2 May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our first-fruits give.

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Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text: "Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and answer me." The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text: "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy." The lyrics are printed below the notes.

Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an - swer me.

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, so govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world that your church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

God Bless Our Native Land

CW 774



1 God bless our na - tive land; firm may she ev - er stand
2 For her our prayers shall rise to God a - bove the skies;



thro' storm and night! When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of
on him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, guard - ing with



wind and wave, do thou our coun - try save by thy great might.
watch - ful eye, to thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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News & Notes

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Dennis & Pat Knack in celebration of their wedding anniversary. Happy anniversary Dennis & Pat!

Reminder! Today is the deadline for signing up for the "That Your Name May Be Praised Forever" campaign kickoff. Follow the [link](#) or scan the QR code to reserve your spot as we take time to discuss the exciting work that stands before us. Information will be presented on our debt reduction efforts and how it impacts proceeding with the next phase of our campus improvement plan. We're excited to see you there! Social hour 5:30pm. Dinner 6pm. Presentation and program 6:30pm. Childcare available.



Trunk or Treat: Mark your calendar for Trunk or Treat happening at our school on **Sunday, October 29 from 2-4.** Invite your friends and neighbors too!

Trunks: Let the competition begin! Prizes will be given to the 1st and 2nd place trunks. Voting is done by all the Trick or Treat families. Please consider hosting a trunk. Approximately 15 trunks are needed! Email the church office office@pilgrimcares.org or sign up on the sheet in the back of church.

Treats: Donations of candy are needed! Please bring your bags of candy to the school office or drop off at church throughout the month of October.

Boy Pioneers Wreath Sale Balsam wreaths with red velvet bows and pinecones in several different styles. Orders are due Monday, November 13. Order forms are available on the shelf in the back of Church. Pick up is Sunday, November 26 after both services in front of school. Order forms can be placed in Dave Chmielewski's mailbox, #12, or dropped off in the office. Make checks payable to Pilgrim Lutheran Boy Pioneers

Home Visits Resume — Pastor Winkelman would like to resume making home visits. If you haven't scheduled a home visit yet, please schedule one for this fall. You may book your appointment by using the QR or by calling the office. Pastor is eager to meet you and be better able to serve you.



All women of Pilgrim are invited to attend the Fall Rally of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) on Saturday, October 28, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lannon (20851 W. Main Street). The rally begins with registration and breakfast at 8 a.m. and ends at noon. The day includes worship, a presentation about a local mission church, St. John's on the Hill in Milwaukee, and a short business meeting. On April 27 of 2024 the LWMS Spring Rally will be held at Pilgrim, and many hands will be required to make it successful. Please consider coming to Lannon to get a preview of what will be involved. There is no charge to attend a rally, but a freewill offering will be collected. Join your sisters in Christ for an inspiring and informative morning. Any questions? Ask Irene Lape or Joan Meier.

Reformation Sunday On Sunday, October 29 we will be celebrating the 506th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. This will be one, joint service at 10:30am in the school gym. Holy Communion will be offered at this special service. We'll once again be following Martin Luther's German Mass and Order of Worship (1526). WELS Hymnal Project director, Rev. Michael Schultz writes, "This service is an adaptation of the same, making use of certain text elements of The Service. It is impossible and impractical to reproduce exactly the service Luther created. The version we will follow enables us to gain a sense of liturgical heritage, however, and to experience an order that established the framework for Lutheran worship to our day."

What will be different?

- More singing and choir-led music
- Most hymns will come from Luther's time - in text and tune
- Various instruments will help enhance our worship
- ... and more!

KML's annual Veterans Day Observance will be held Thursday, November 2, at 9:20am in the KML PAC. Doors open at 9:00 AM. All are invited to attend. No RSVP necessary. More info at kmlhs.org/veterans.

Koiné is excited to present the songs of Martin Luther as arranged and recorded on their album Cross Heart Rose Sky Ring. 2023 marks the 20-year anniversary of our musical ministry - we hope to see you there! November 2 at 7:00 PM Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Jackson

Arise, Your Light Has Come! 2023 WELS National Choral Fest at Wisconsin Lutheran College. Enjoy these free events – Friday, November 3 at 7:0pm Pops Concert and Sunday, November 3 at 2:00pm Sacred Service. The Lakeside Lutheran High School students that are participating in Choral Fest will join us at Pilgrim for the 10:30am service on November 5.

WELS Lutherans for Life is seeking qualified candidates for the **Staff & Operations Support Specialist** – open immediately. For more information or to submit your resume, contact Peter Georgson at Peter@ALife2.com.

Christian Life Resources is seeking an Executive Assistant to the National Director. The full job description is available on the CLR website.

Pilgrim Lutheran Church can receive offerings electronically through a secure website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone (you might need to download a free QR scanning app) to be directed to Pilgrim's giving page or visit pilgrimcares.org/giving. Save the check – give online!



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