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Father, Forgive Them,
For They Know Not
What They Do.

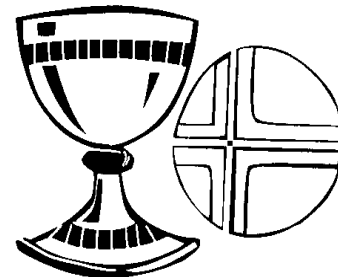


IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, WE WELCOME YOU. We encourage our visitors to worship with us often and to let us know if we can be of service. If you do not have a church home, the pastors will be happy to talk with you about membership here at Memorial. Please sign our Rite of Friendship booklet this morning so we may acknowledge your presence. Please pick up one of our visitor information packets from an usher as you exit the church.

THE CHURCH NURSERY is located in the blue nursery room in the building north of the sanctuary. Children up to three years of age may be left in the nursery. Please do not bring your child to the nursery if he/she has had a fever within the last hours, has a cough or might be contagious.

JESUS CHRIST REIGNS ENDURING THE CROSS -- ITS SCORN AND SHAME. The Lord Jesus reigns in love among those who are baptized in His name. "They shall be mine," He says, "and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him" (Malachi :). Jesus' service through crucifixion for sinful men anchors us in new life. In the proclamation of His Son, God makes His justice clear, defining "the distinction between the righteous and the wicked" (Malachi :). He truly is "the King of the Jews" (Luke :), who governs His Church with all authority in heaven and on earth. He has come into His Kingdom by His cross, and He graciously remembers us in Paradise. Therefore, do not weep for Him, but with repentant faith "weep for yourselves and for your children" (Luke :). Then the mountains and hills of Jerusalem, His holy Church, shall cover you with His righteousness and peace. For He "is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation" (Colossians :). "All things were created through him and for him" (Colossians :), and "all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell" bodily in Him, reconciling all things to Himself "by the blood of His cross" (Colossians : -).

OUR CONGREGATION IS A MEMBER OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same teachings. We believe that we are given a great responsibility to commune only those persons who are members of our confessional fellowship. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that for their spiritual welfare we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with our pastor.



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November ,
(*Lutheran Service Book*, -)

Preservice Music *We Praise You and Acknowledge You* K. McChesney
i Prelude *Crucifer* P. Manz
Hymn **Lift High the Cross**

Confession and Absolution

Catechism The Second Article of the Creed

P. The Second Article of the Creed

C. **And [I believe] 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.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm* ; antiphon: *Psalm* :

A. Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*
 let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!

C. **Come, bless the LORD, all you servants | of the LORD,*
 who stand by night in the house | of the LORD!**

A. Lift up your hands to the | holy place*
 and | bless the LORD!

C. **May the LORD bless you from | Zion,*
 he who made | heaven and earth!**
**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.

A. Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P. Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. **Amen.**

⌋ Old Testament Lesson Malachi : - ESV p.

“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’¹⁴You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts?’¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.”¹⁶Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name.¹⁷“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him.¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

Gradual Rev. : ; Psalm :

Choir: These are the ones coming out of the great tribu- | lation.*

They have washed their robes and made them white in the
blood | of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is | in you,*
in whose heart are the highways to | Zion

Epistle Reading Colossians : - ESV p.

He has delivered us from the redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
domain of darkness and transferred
us to the kingdom of his beloved
Son, ¹⁴in whom we have
¹⁵He is the image of the invisible
God, the firstborn of all creation.
¹⁶For by him all things were created,

in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the

beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

i Alleluia and Verse

Holy Gospel

Luke

: -

ESV p.

There followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” ³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.

³⁵And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

h Hymn

Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

Sermon			
i Creed	We All Believe in One True God		
Prayer of the Church			
h Offering	:	Great and Glorious	F. J. Haydn
	:	How Good and Pleasant	K. Kosche
i Offertory	What Shall I Render to the Lord		
	Service of the Sacrament		
Preface			
Sanctus			
Prayer of Thanksgiving			
Lord's Prayer (<i>spoken by congregation</i>)			
The Words of Our Lord			
Pax Domini			
Agnus Dei			
h Hymns	At the Name of Jesus		
	Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head		
Anthem	:	What Shall I Render	R. Nelson
	:	Kyrie, Incline Your Ear	K. Kosche
i Canticle	Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise		
Benediction			
Hymn	We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God		
Postlude	<i>Bryn Calfaria</i>	W. Owen	

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