

## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"Lord, teach us to pray"

July 27 & 28, 2013

### AS WE GATHER

Seeing Jesus pray, a disciple asked, "Lord, teach us to pray!" Prayer is given by Jesus to His followers as an invitation to join in the Divine Conversation among the Persons of the Holy Trinity. In response to being addressed by God's Word, we pray to the Father, through the Son, by the Holy Spirit (*cf. Ephesians 2:18*). At the pinnacle of this precious gift of prayer stands the Lord's Prayer in which Jesus invites us to join Him in calling His Father, "Our Father." The same Father who showers us with gifts through the Word and Sacraments we are privileged to call upon in prayer for every need of body and soul---both for ourselves, and as intercessors for all people. Thanks be to God for the gift of prayer!

### WELCOME

*"They devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42*

### HANDSHAKES & HUGS

+ PREPARATION +

### OPENING HYMN #790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

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!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by His gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who has fearfully, wondrously, made you,  
Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you.

What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of His mercy did shade you.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with His love He befriends you.

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!

(Rise)

### INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: I give you thanks, O LORD,

**People: with my whole heart;**

Pastor: I bow down toward your holy temple

**People: and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,**

Pastor: For you have exalted above all things

**People: Your name and your Word.**

Pastor: On the day I called, you answered me;

**People: my strength of soul you increased.**

### CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Father of all mercy and grace,

**People: we, your baptized children have heard and believe your Word by the ministry of the Holy Spirit. We have received the body and blood of your Son Jesus in Holy Communion. Yet we have failed to pray, praise, and give you thanks for these gifts of your grace. As a result, our love for you and for one another has failed. We have hurt instead of helped, doubted instead of trusted, and passed-by instead of prayed-for those around us who are in need of your help. Dear Father, who loves to hear and answer the prayers of your people, hear our confession and grant us forgiveness for the sake of your dear Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Pastor: Our Father, who hears and answers the cries of His people, has heard your confession and speaks to you through my voice this Word of

Absolution: 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.**

### KYRIE

Pastor: O Lord,

**People: have mercy; hear and answer our prayers.**

Pastor: O Christ,

**People: have mercy; hear and answer our prayers.**

Pastor: O Lord,

**People: have mercy; hear and answer our prayers; and grant us your peace. Amen.**

To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
 Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!  
 We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing-  
 Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav’n-ly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father’s Son, we pray;  
 O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
 Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
 Where You in pow’r are seated At God’s right hand on high-

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.  
 Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
 You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
 In God the Father’s glory. “Amen!” our glad reply.

**SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. O Lord, let your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of your servants, and by your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

(Be seated)

**8:00 BAPTISM** of Madalyn Grace Krauss

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*(Please refrain from taking photographs during the worship service.)*

**+ WORD +**

**OLD TESTAMENT** Genesis 18:17--33 *(To keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice. .)* Then the LORD said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him. For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him.” Then the LORD said, “The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know.” The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. Then Abraham approached him and said: “Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it

from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?” The LORD said, “If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake.” Then Abraham spoke up again: “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city because of five people?” “If I find forty-five there,” he said, “I will not destroy it.” Once again he spoke to him, “What if only forty are found there?” He said, “For the sake of forty, I will not do it.” Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?” He answered, “I will not do it if I find thirty there.” Abraham said, “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?” He said, “For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it.” Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?” He answered, “For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it.” When the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

**EPISTLE** Colossians 2:6-19 *(Alive in Christ)*

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you for the prize. Such a person goes into great detail about what he has seen, and his unspiritual mind puffs him up with idle notions. He has lost connection with the Head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

(Rise)

**HOLY GOSPEL** Luke 11:1-13 *(The Lord's Prayer)* One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.” He said to them, “When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.’” Then he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and he goes to him at midnight and says, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ‘Then the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children are with me in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man’s boldness he will get up and give him as much as he needs. “So I say to you: Ask and it will be

given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

(Be seated)

**SERMON HYMN #700 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n to earth come down!  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation, Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast;  
Let us all in Thee inherit; Let us find Thy promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all Thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, Nevermore Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation, Pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee,  
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heav'n we take our place  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING SPEAKERS**

**SERMON "Living Love(d)"**

*1 John 4:9*

(Rise)

**5:00 & 10:30 NICENE CREED** *(found on the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

(Be seated)

**OFFERING** As your offering is collected, please sign our attendance book located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle.

(Rise)

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Jesus Christ, and for all people according to their needs.

**After each petition:**

Pastor: let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

**At the conclusion of the prayers:**

Pastor: . . . through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**5:00 & 10:30 THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**+ SACRAMENT +**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**THE PEACE OF THE LORD**

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

**People: Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI**

**"Lamb of God"**

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O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Be seated)

**DISTRIBUTION** Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

**HYMN #620**

**"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"**

Jesus comes today with healing, Knocking at my door, appealing,  
Off'ring pardon, grace, and peace. He Himself makes preparation,  
And I hear His invitation: "Come and taste the blessed feast."

Christ Himself, the priest presiding, Yet in bread and wine abiding  
In this holy sacrament, Gives the bread of life, once broken,  
And the cup, the precious token Of His sacred covenant.

Under bread and wine, though lowly, I receive the Savior holy,  
Blood and body, giv'n for me, Very Lamb of God from heaven,  
Who to bitter death was given, Hung upon the cursed tree.

God descends with heav'nly power, Gives Himself to me this hour  
In this ordinary sign. On my tongue His pledge receiving,  
I accept His grace, believing That I taste His love divine.

Let me praise God's boundless favor, Whose own feast of love I savor,  
Bidden by His gracious call. Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me, Fits me for the royal hall.

Now have I found consolation, Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul. God, my shield from ev'ry tremor,  
Cleanses me from sin and error, Makes my wounded spirit whole.

**HYMN #752 "Be Still, My Soul"**

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side; Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide; In ev'ry change He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul; your God will undertake To guide the future as He has the past.  
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul; though dearest friends depart And all is darkened in this vale of tears;  
Then you will better know His love, His heart,  
Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.  
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay From His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on When we shall be forever with the Lord,  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul;  
when change and tears are past, All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

**HYMN #770 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit;  
Oh, what needless pain we bear All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

**COMMON DISMISSAL**

(Rise)

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: O Father, who loves to hear and answer the prayers of your people, we  
thank you for your good gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation, which you  
have bestowed upon us in the Holy Supper of your Son's body and blood.  
Make our union with Christ a fruitful one. Teach us through Him how to  
call upon you confidently and faithfully throughout the days of our  
journey to your eternal Kingdom; 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**

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you; the LORD look on you in favor and + give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN #917 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"**

Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise With one accord our parting hymn of praise;  
Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,  
Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.

Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way;  
With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day.  
Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
That in this house have called upon Thy name.

Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night;  
Turn Thou for us its darkness into light. From harm and danger keep Thy children free;  
For dark and light are both alike to Thee.

Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life,  
Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife;  
Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

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