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The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
October 17th -- anno Domini 2021

Those who are familiar with one of our common table prayers would recognize our *Gradual* taken from Psalm 145:

The eyes of all look expectantly to You,
And You give them their food in due season.
You open Your hand
And satisfy the desire of every living thing.

This is a fitting verse for this week's theme. God has prepared everything for us in his Son, just as he provides for every one of our earthly needs in due time. He is generous in all he does. This is a common theme we observe throughout the church year. In the second week after Trinity we hear of a similar parable of Jesus in Luke 14, which shows how God's gracious invitation continues to call people to faith even after many reject it. This week's Gospel lesson is Jesus' parable in Matthew 22, a similar parable of a feast. People despise it. Yet here, we have a warning even of those who make it into the feast. A man came in without the wedding garment. He represents those who are in the church who do not actually believe what the Word of God says. They treat the bread of life lightly as a common thing to be despised. Our *Gradual* reminds us that everything is provided by God, even the desires of the smallest bugs. So don't despise his Word and sacraments! He who provides for everything you need in your body has also prepared eternal food for your soul.

DEAR VISITORS: As a congregation in the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, Trinity practices **closed communion**, which means that we only commune those who are members in good standing of sister congregations and have been instructed in the Christian faith as it is summarized in Luther's Small Catechism. If you are a visitor and desire to commune at Trinity, **please speak to Pastor Preus before the service.**

The Order of Morning Service

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Hymn of Invocation ∞ *What is the World to Me*

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Stand for final stanza

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

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Please remain standing through the conclusion of the Collect of the Day.

Service of the Word

Introit

The Lord is righteous in all His | works toward us,*
for we have not obeyed His com- | mandments.

Glorify Your | Name, O Lord:*

and deal with us according to Your great | mercy. (*Prayer of Azariah 1:4, 7, 20, 19*)

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised*
in the city of our God, in His holy | mountain.

**We have thought, O God, on Your loving- | kindness,*
in the midst of Your | temple.**

According to Your | name, O God,*
so is Your praise to the ends | of the earth;

Your right hand is full of | righteousness.*

Let Mount Zion rejoice, Because of Your | judgments. (*Psalm 48:1, 9-11*)



Gloria Patri ∞ *Glory be to the Father*

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Kyrie ∞ *Lord, Have Mercy*

Gloria in Excelsis ∞ *Glory to God in the Highest*

Salutation & Collect of the Day

Sit

Old Testament Reading ∞ *Isaiah 55:1-9*

¹*“Oh, come to the water, all you who are thirsty!*

You who have no money, come, buy and eat. Come and buy grain without money, and wine and milk that costs nothing. ²Why are you spending money for what isn't bread and your earnings for what doesn't satisfy? If you will only listen to Me, you will eat good things and enjoy rich food.

³*Hear and come to Me. Listen and you will live! I will make an everlasting covenant with you—the mercies faithfully promised to David!* ⁴*Once I made him a witness to the nations, a prince and a commander of the nations. ⁵So now you will call a nation you don't know, and a nation that doesn't know you will run to you on account of the LORD your God and the Holy One of Israel, for He has honored you.”*

⁶ Search for the LORD while He can be found; call on Him while He is near. ⁷ Every wicked man should give up his way, and every evil man what he's thinking. If he comes back to the LORD, He will be merciful to him, and to our God, He will forgive him ever so much.

⁸ "My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not My ways," says the LORD. ⁹ "As high as heaven is above the earth, so far are My ways above your ways and My thoughts above your thoughts.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

The eyes of all look expectantly to / You, O Lord,*
and You give them their food in due / season.

You o- / pen Your hand,*

and satisfy the desire of every / living thing. (Psalm 145:15–16)



Epistle *↪ Ephesians 5:15-21*

¹⁵Be very careful, then, as to how you live. Don't be unwise but wise. ¹⁶And make the most of your opportunities because these are evil days. ¹⁷So don't be foolish, but understand what the Lord wants. ¹⁸*Don't get drunk on wine*, which means wild living. But be filled with the Spirit ¹⁹as you speak psalms, hymns, and songs to one another and with your hearts sing and make music to the Lord, ²⁰always thanking God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

²¹As you respect Christ, submit to one another.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Alle- / luia.*

Alle- / luia.

Out of the depths I have cried to / You, O LORD;*

Lord, hear my voice! Alle- / luia. (Psalm 130:1–2a)



Triple Hallelujah & Sentence for the Season

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Gospel *↪ Matthew 22:1-14*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹Again Jesus used parables in talking to them. He said:

²"The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding for his son.

³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding, but they refused to come. ⁴Then he sent other slaves and said to them, 'Tell the people who are invited, "Look ! I prepared my dinner. My bulls and fattened calves are killed, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding." '

⁵"But they paid no attention and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶and the rest took his slaves, shamefully mistreated them, and murdered them.

⁷"The king became angry. He sent his soldiers and they killed those murderers and burned their city.

⁸"Then he said to his slaves: 'The wedding is ready, but the people who were invited didn't deserve the honor. ⁹Now go where the roads leave the city, and call everyone you find there to the wedding.' ¹⁰Those slaves went out on the roads and brought in all the people they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹"When the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man without a wedding garment. ¹²'Friend,' he asked him, 'how did you get in here without a wedding garment?'

"The man couldn't say a thing. ¹³Then the king told the servants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him out into the dark. There he will cry and grind his teeth.'

¹⁴"Many are invited, but few are chosen."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

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Sit

Hymn of the Day ➤ *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory

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Sit

Gathering of the Offering

Stand to sing as the offerings are brought forward

*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.*

Please complete the
Record of Fellowship in the
folder in your pew.

Prayers

General Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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Hymn *↪ Now I have found the firm foundation*

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Concluding Collect

Benediction

Sit

Hymn to Depart *↪ I Pray Thee, Dear Lord Jesus*

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Silent Prayer

Ushers for today: James Eads, Joseph Rethemeyer, David Blankenship

Next week: Peter Otten, Jonathan Finck, Trevor Blankenship,
Andrew Rethemeyer

Greeter for today: Rick Tritch

Next Week:

Acolyte today: Alton Swann

Next Week: Evan Scheer

Flower and Altar Care: **October:** Ruth Rethemeyer

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Linda Kaskadden, 17th, Robert Preus, 19th, Lauren Hoerstkamp, 20th, Jacob Preus, 20th, Wray and Evelyn Quick, 22nd, Sam Scheer, 23rd

Prayer and Petitions: Homebound and Care Center Residents: Barb Sunfield and Wilma Niewald; Missionaries: Rev. James May (missionary to Africa); Rev. David Preus (missionary to the Dominican Republic); Michael & Naomi Erland, Lutheran Bible Translators, Ghana.

Fall In Love With Jesus “. . . but the greatest of these is **love**.” 1 Corinthians 13:13
Washington Zone LWML Fall Rally – October 23, 2021; St Paul Lutheran Church, Union, MO. Registration @ 9:00 a.m. Ingathering: Help for High School Students.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting – Today after church downstairs.

Ladies Aid – Today after church in Conference room.

Sunday School teachers meeting October 24, right after church.

WASHINGTON CIRCUIT YOUTH at Camp Trinity, New Haven, MO, Today (439 Camp Trinity Drive). It will be held from 6-8 p.m. The Bible study on "**JESUS!**" "**The Greatest Rescue Story of All Time!**", will continue. **ALL Junior and Senior High youth are invited to join us for Bible study, games and snacks.**

Confirmation Classes – Wednesday 3:00–5:00 - Pastor Preus will lead chapel and teach grades 6-8 while Ruth Rethemeyer will teach the children in grade 5 and below. Children may arrive at church at 3:00 for fellowship, games and snacks until 3:45. Chapel will begin at 3:45 and class at 4:00, concluding at 5:00.

Adult Bible Study - Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Study of Acts. All are invited to attend.

A Week-long devotion series by Pastor Preus is downloaded to website. Copies are also available on the Usher's stand.

Please send any **announcements** to office@trinitynewhaven.com. **Prayer requests** can also be sent to the office email or directly to Pastor Preus.

Bulletins, sermons, and devotions posted each week at www.trinitynewhaven.com.

A WORD FROM THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS

The Augsburg Confession

**The Confession of Faith which was submitted to His Imperial Majesty
Charles V at the Diet of Augsburg in the year 1530
by certain princes and cities**

*I will speak of thy testimonies before kings,
and will not be put to shame. -- Psalm 119:46*

Chief Articles of Faith continued

Article XXIII. Of the Marriage of Priests

¹There has been common complaint concerning the examples of priests who were not chaste.

²For that reason also Pope Pius is reported to have said that there were certain causes why marriage was taken away from priests, but that there were far weightier ones why it ought to be given back; for so Platina writes.

³Since, therefore, our priests were desirous to avoid these open scandals, they married wives, and taught that it was lawful for them to contract matrimony. First, because

⁴Paul says, 1 Cor. 7:2,9: To avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife. Also: It is better to marry than to burn. Secondly

⁵Christ says, Matt. 19:11: All men cannot receive this saying, where He teaches that not all men are fit to lead a single life; for God created man for procreation, Gen. 1:28.

⁶Nor is it in man's power, without a singular gift and work of God, to alter this creation. [For it is manifest, and many have confessed that no good, honest, chaste life, no Christian, sincere, upright conduct has resulted (from the attempt), but a horrible, fearful unrest and torment of conscience has been felt by many until the end.] Therefore,

⁷those who are not fit to lead a single life ought to

⁸contract matrimony. For no man's law, no vow, can annul the commandment and ordinance of God. For these reasons

⁹the priests teach that it is lawful for them to marry wives.

¹⁰It is also evident that in the ancient Church priests were married men.

¹¹For Paul says, 1 Tim. 3:2, that a bishop should be chosen who is the husband of one wife.

¹²And in Germany, four hundred years ago for the first time, the priests were violently compelled to lead a single life, who indeed offered such resistance that the Archbishop of Mayence, when about to publish the Pope's decree concerning this matter, was almost killed in the tumult raised by the enraged priests.