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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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HOLY COMMUNION

TO OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS: We receive the Lord's Supper, believing the Word of Jesus, that He gives into our mouths His true body and blood, miraculously united to the bread and wine, to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins, and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love one another, even as He forgives and loves us.

God's Word teaches us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood in an unworthy manner do so to their great harm, and that this Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed in this church. Therefore any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or are members of a congregation not in the fellowship of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to commune, are asked to kindly speak with the pastor ahead of time. (*Matt. 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-21; 11:17-34*)

The Confessional Service with Holy Communion

+ Prelude

+ Hymn of Invocation - #443

"O Lord of Heaven and Earth and Sea"

+ The Invocation – pg. 46ff (stand)

+ Versicles & Responses

+ INTROIT *Ps. 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: Ps. 143:1*

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

**Enter not into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.**

*I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done;
I ponder the work of your hands.*

**I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.**

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!

Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

+ The Confessional Address or Exhortation – pg. 47

+ The Corporate Confession of Sins and Absolution – pg. 47-48

+ The Collect for the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ The Old Testament Reading: Zephaniah 1:7-16

- *See enclosed insert for the Readings*

+ The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

+ The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

+ The Nicene Creed – pg. 22

+ Hymn - #400 (10:30 – Choir sings verses 3 and 5)

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

+ Sermon – “Faithful with the Lord’s Talents”

Matthew 25:20-21

- I. Our Lord has entrusted us with much.
- II. He expects us to be faithful in using it.
- III. We will commend and reward His faithful servants.

+ The Offertory – pg. 22 (stand)

- + The Offerings
- + The Prayer of the Church
- + The Preface ~ The Agnus Dei – pg. 24-28
- + Distribution Hymns
 - #310 “Thy Table I Approach”
 - #441 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”
 - #403 “Savior, Thy Dying Love”
- + The Nunc Dimittis – pg. 29
- + The Thanksgiving – pg. 30
- + Post-Communion Collect – pg. 30
- + The Salutation & The Benedicamus – pg. 31
- + The Benediction – pg. 31
- + Closing Hymn - #403 (7:00 p.m.)
“Savior, Thy Dying Love”

+ SOLI DEO GLORIA +

DAILY READINGS

November 19: Jer. 38:1–28; Matt. 27:57–66; **20:** Dan. 1:1–21; Matt. 28:1–20; **21:** Dan. 2:1–23; Rev. 18:1–24; **22:** Dan. 2:24–49; Rev. 19:1–21; **23:** Dan. 3:1–30; Rev. 20:1–15; **24:** Dan. 4:1–37; Rev. 21:1–8; **25:** Dan. 5:1–30; Rev. 21:9–27.

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