

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 10

July 13, 2025 – 9:30 a.m.

## AS WE GATHER

In today's Gospel, the man who fell among thieves in the parable of the Good Samaritan did nothing, but he was helped, nonetheless. That's how our Lord, our own Good Samaritan, wants to treat us. The commands in the Old Testament Reading are how to pass on His love to all whom we meet. And the prayer in the Epistle asks no more than that God continue to do what He accomplished through our Lord Jesus. Without our doing anything, He has "transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son" (Colossians 1:13). Our worship today is time to remember to do nothing except live the life God has so graciously bestowed on us.

## PRELUDE "El Shaddai" -Michael Card

### HYMN "The Law of God Is Good and Wise" *LSB* 579

1        The Law of God is good and wise  
And sets His will before our eyes,  
Shows us the way of righteousness,  
And dooms to death when we transgress.

2        Its light of holiness imparts  
The knowledge of our sinful hearts  
That we may see our lost estate  
And turn from sin before too late.

3        To those who help in Christ have found  
And would in works of love abound  
It shows what deeds are His delight  
And should be done as good and right.

4        But those who scornfully disdain  
God's Law shall then in sin remain;  
Its terror in their ear resounds  
And keeps their wickedness in bounds.

5        The Law is good; but since the fall  
Its holiness condemns us all;  
It dooms us for our sin to die  
And has no pow'r to justify.

6        To Jesus we for refuge flee,  
Who from the curse has set us free,  
And humbly worship at His throne,  
Saved by His grace through faith alone.  
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## INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

**OPENING SENTENCES** *Psalm 136:1, 23–26*

Pastor: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

**People: for His steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: It is He who remembered us in our low estate,

**People: for His steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: and rescued us from our foes,

**People: for His steadfast love endures forever;**

Pastor: He who gives food to all flesh,

**People: for His steadfast love endures forever.**

Pastor: Give thanks to the God of heaven,

**People: for His steadfast love endures forever.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: Let us approach the throne of mercy, humbly, and in need of forgiveness. We confess, O Lord our God,

**People: that we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We do not reflect Your love in the way we treat others. Forgive us.**

Pastor: We confess, O Lord,

**People: that we do not always give You the due honor and glory for all that You have done for us in Your life, death, and resurrection. Forgive us.**

Pastor: We confess, O Lord,

**People: that we forget that even our faulty attempts at loving as You have loved us are covered by Your overarching grace and mercy.**

Pastor: Our gracious God has done all that was needed for us to be His friends, followers, and family. 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.**

**HYMN** “Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart” *LSB 806*

Give thanks with a grateful heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because He’s given

Jesus Christ His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,

Give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because He’s given

Jesus Christ His Son.

And now let the weak say “I am strong,”

Let the poor say “I am rich,”

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

And now let the weak say “I am strong,”

Let the poor say “I am rich,”

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, give thanks.

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## **HYMN OF PRAISE** “Church of God, Elect and Glorious” *LSB* 646

1 Church of God, elect and glorious,  
Holy nation, chosen race;  
Called as God’s own special people,  
Royal priests and heirs of grace:  
Know the purpose of your calling,  
Show to all His mighty deeds;  
Tell of love that knows no limits,  
Grace that meets all human needs.

2 God has called you out of darkness  
Into His most marv’lous light;  
Brought His truth to life within you,  
Turned your blindness into sight.  
Let your light so shine around you  
That God’s name is glorified  
And all find fresh hope and purpose  
In Christ Jesus crucified.

3 Once you were an alien people,  
Strangers to God’s heart of love;  
But He brought you home in mercy,  
Citizens of heav’n above.  
Let His love flow out to others,  
Let them feel a Father’s care;  
That they too may know His welcome  
And His countless blessings share.

4 Church of God, elect and holy,  
Be the people He intends;  
Strong in faith and swift to answer  
Each command your Master sends:  
Royal priests, fulfill your calling  
Through your sacrifice and prayer;  
Give your lives in joyful service—  
Sing His praise, His love declare.

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## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** *Leviticus 19:9–18* (God tells Moses to explain what it means to love one's neighbor as oneself.) "When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the Lord your God. You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the Lord. You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the Lord. You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord."

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 41* (The psalm includes a prophecy of Jesus being the poor man, betrayed by even one of His followers.)

Pastor: Blessed is the one who considers the poor! In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;

**People: the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land; You do not give him up to the will of his enemies.**

Pastor: The LORD sustains him on his sickbed;

**People: in his illness You restore him to full health.**

Pastor: As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!" My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die and his name perish?" And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad. All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me. They say,

**People: "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies." Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.**

Pastor: But You, O LORD, be gracious to me,

**People: and raise me up, that I may repay them!**

Pastor: By this I know that You delight in me:

**People: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.**

Pastor: But You have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in Your presence forever.

**People: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.**

**EPISTLE** *Colossians 1:1–14* (Paul rejoices with the Colossians and tells them of his prayers.) Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints

in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *Luke 10:25–37* (The Good Samaritan shows us how to love our neighbor.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?” And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.” But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “You Are the Way: through You Alone” *LSB 526*

1        You are the way; through You alone  
          Can we the Father find;  
In You, O Christ, has God revealed  
          His heart and will and mind.

2        You are the truth; Your Word alone  
          True wisdom can impart;  
You only can inform the mind  
          And purify the heart.

3        You are the life; the empty tomb  
          Proclaims Your conqu’ring arm,  
And those who put their trust in You  
          Not death nor hell shall harm.

4        You are the way, the truth, the life;  
          Grant us that way to know,  
That truth to keep, that life to win  
          Whose joys eternal flow.

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**SERMON**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **OFFERING "Grace Alone"**

*We offer our gifts to the Lord as we use this time in our service for contemplation and preparation for the sacrament of communion. Offerings can be placed in the plates at the back entrance doors as you enter the sanctuary, or as the offering plates are passed at this time.*

### **PREFACE 2 Timothy 4:22**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## **PROPER PREFACE**

**Pastor:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **SANCTUS**

Holy holy holy Lord

God of power and might

Heav'n and earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes

In the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

Hosanna in the highest

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor:** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us.

To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

**PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**LORD’S PRAYER** *Matthew 6:9–13*

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**PAX DOMINI**

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

**People: Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI**

Lamb of God you take away  
All the sin of the world  
Oh Lamb of God have mercy on us  
And grant to us your peace

*You are invited to receive the Lord’s Supper if you believe and confess that Jesus Christ is your Savior from sin, you are a baptized child of the Triune God, and you believe that He gives you His body and blood in the bread and wine you receive. White grape juice can be found in the center of each tray for those who cannot receive alcohol. Children are welcome to come forward for a blessing.*

*Communion is offered in two ways: the individual cup and the common cup. If you would like the individual cup, please partake as the assistant minister passes by after Pastor gives the bread. If you would like the common cup, let the assistant minister pass by, open your hands palm up, and Pastor will return to give you the common cup.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

“Amazing Grace” *LSB 744*

1       Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—  
      That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
      Was blind but now I see!

2       The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

3       Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far,  
His grace will lead me home.

4       Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail  
In heaven's joy and peace.

5       When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.  
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“God of Grace and God of Glory” *LSB* 850

1       God of grace and God of glory,  
On Your people pour Your pow'r;  
Crown Your ancient Church's story;  
Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.

2       Lo, the hosts of evil round us  
Scorn the Christ, assail His ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
Free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.

3       Cure Your children's warring madness;  
Bend our pride to Your control;  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
Rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal,  
Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.



4        Save us from weak resignation  
      To the evils we deplore;  
Let the gift of Your salvation  
      Be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
      Serving You whom we adore,  
      Serving You whom we adore.  
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### **BLESSING**

Pastor: May our Lord's body and blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace and with joy.

**People: Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that by the all-availing sacrifice of Your Son we leave this Sacrament renewed and refreshed. Grant each of us strength to love our neighbor as ourselves, sharing Your gracious love; 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** *Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

### **HYMN** "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing" *LSB 924*

1        Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing,  
      Fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, Your love possessing,  
      Triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us; O refresh us,  
Trav'ling through this wilderness.

2        Thanks we give and adoration  
      For Your Gospel's joyful sound.  
May the fruits of Your salvation  
      In our hearts and lives abound.  
Ever faithful, ever faithful  
To Your truth may we be found.

3        Savior, when Your love shall call us  
      From our struggling pilgrim way,  
Let not fear of death appall us,  
      Glad Your summons to obey.  
May we ever, may we ever  
Reign with You in endless day.  
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## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace as you serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE “Jesu, Jesu”

Creative Worship for the Lutheran Parish, Series C, Quarter 3.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Worship 9:30 a.m.

**You are encouraged to take a walk this week with the Lord by reading Galatians. May the Lord make your heart burn with joy at the Good News and your place in His Kingdom!**

**GENEROSITY THOUGHTS:** *Luke 10:25b* – “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” There is nothing right about this question. What shall I do to inherit? What can you do to inherit the throne of England? You can’t do anything to gain it. An inheritance comes by family ties, not deeds. Our deeds follow and result from our family ties. The Father calls us His own children. So we inherit eternal life by grace, and seek to live out our new calling as the Father’s children with our good works.

**HEAR “THE LUTHERAN HOUR”** on Sunday mornings at 6:05 a.m. on WCCO 830 AM radio. Next week’s broadcast: “God’s Plan = Jesus” Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God’s plans for us are not me-centered; they are Christ-centered. Dr. Zeigler talks with “Soul Surfer” author, Bethany Hamilton. (John 16:33)

## Emmaus Craft Night

Join us for our craft night on August 6th. We will start at 6:00 p.m. You can choose from one of the three designs on the flyer in the narthex. The cost for this event is \$25. We never want money to prevent someone from joining us for fellowship, so if money is an issue, please let us know. The kits come with all supplies needed. They are purchased through CaliSota Girl Creations.

These kits are for beginners through advanced crafters! You can add your own touch or follow the examples to a tee. Anyone can join for this!

Registration and money is due by July 20th. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex at church. Money can be given to Dawn K or Magdalena B.

If you plan to attend, please bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share.

# Vacation Bible School for ages 3-12



August 12-14 | 6-8 p.m.

Our focus will be the number 3. We will have a light meal from 5:30-6 beforehand. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Nicole or Naomi.

## **THIS WEEK AT EMMAUS:**

Today: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

Tues: Youth Event

Wed: Bulletin Deadline

1:30 p.m. Bible Study

Fri: Office Closed

Sat: 12-5 p.m. Organist rehearsal

Next Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Worship

10:30 a.m. Bible Study

## **SERVING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY:**

PASTOR: Rev. Nick Kooi

ALTAR GUILD: Jean G

MUSIC LEADER: Paul H

SOUND TECH: Marilyn P

VIDEO TECH: Micah G

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Mark G

USHERS: Gary B, Christine S

COUNTERS: Jenny H, Gary B

LECTOR: Chris G

GREETER: Jan G

ACOLYTE: Elizabeth G