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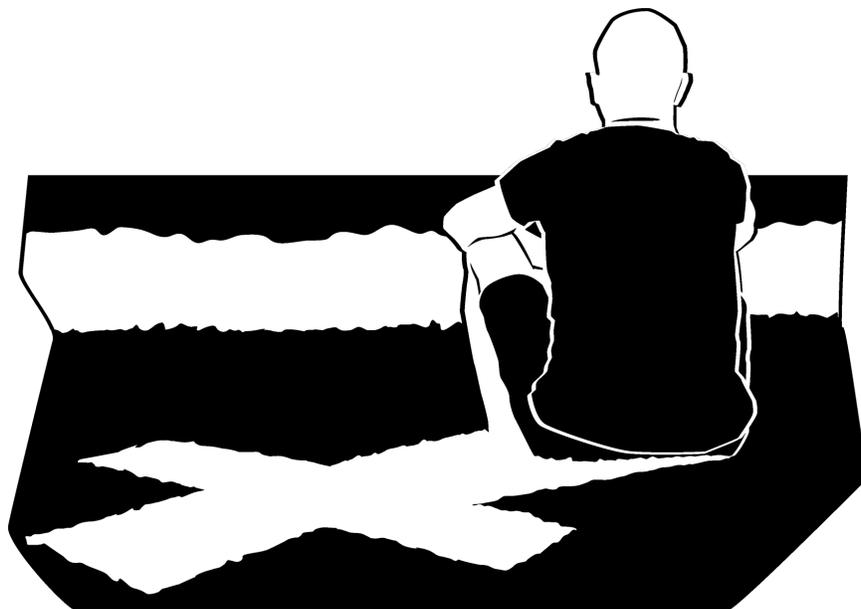
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## The Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost October 21, 2018



There remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.

*Hebrews 4:9-10*

## AS WE GATHER

Imagine yourself on vacation. Perhaps you are staying at a nice hotel with people you love, enjoying your favorite activities, and savoring some much-needed rest. Now, notice something: while you are resting, others are working. They are cleaning rooms, making beds, preparing your food, serving your drinks. Someone else's work enables you to rest. So it is with God. Today your gracious Father invites you to enter into His rest, His Sabbath, through the saving work of Jesus. He has already done the work—savor it! Rest in His presence as He serves you with His living and active Word and as He prepares His Table of grace for you to enjoy.

**PRELUDE** “O Jesus, King Most Wonderful” (*Hiding Place*) arr. Wood

## WELCOME

**BIRTHDAY BLESSING** 10/21 – Lisa Williams 10/25 – Lorraine Engler  
10/26 – Sandra Newman

♪ **Thanks for our friends who celebrate  
And God's rich blessings contemplate.  
Praise for another year on earth.  
Praise to the Lord who gives us birth. Amen.**

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

**HYMN** “O Day of Rest and Gladness” #906

*Please Stand*

## INVOCATION

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

**People:** Amen.

## OPENING SENTENCES

**Pastor:** There remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,

**People:** **for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**Pastor:** Today our Father invites us to enter into His presence and experience the gift of His rest. Let us come before Him in repentance and faith.

**Pastor:** Holy God, merciful Father,

**People:** too often we pull away from the peace You promise to Your children. Forgive us for the ways in which our thoughts, our words, and our actions go against Your will for our lives. For our neglect of You and Your gift of grace, we ask for mercy. In the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose work on the cross has secured our place in Your kingdom, renew us and lead us that we may rest in Your presence. Amen.

**Pastor:** Jesus says, "Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Receive the rest for your souls that only Jesus' work has secured. As your pastor, I announce God's saving grace to you and, in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

✠ WORD ✠

**KYRIE**

**Pastor:** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** 🎵 Lord have mercy

**Pastor:** For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** 🎵 Lord have mercy

**Pastor:** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** 🎵 Lord have mercy

**Pastor:** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** 🎵 Lord have mercy

**Pastor:** Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.

**People:** 🎵 Amen

## HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the Feast”

**Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

1. Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. **Refrain**
2. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. **Refrain**
3. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation.
4. Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. **Refrain**
5. For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. **Final Refrain**

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** ♪ **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, our Creator, You set in order all things in heaven and on earth for the benefit of Your children. Grant that we rest from our labors and receive the peace Your Son has given; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** ♪ **Amen**

*Please be Seated*

## OLD TESTAMENT

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

*(We rejoice and rest in the gifts of God.)*

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

*Hebrews 4:1–13 (14–16)*

*(There remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.)*

*Please Stand*

## ALLELUIA and VERSE

♪ **Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go?**

**You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 10:23-31

*(How difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God)*

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

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

*(The Gospel is read)*

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord

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

*Please be Seated*

**SERMON HYMN** "What Is the World to Me" #730

**SERMON** "The Meaning of Life" Pastor Tom Harries  
*Ecclesiastes 5:10-20*

*Please Stand*

**THE NICENE CREED** *(found on the last page of the pew hymnal)*

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

For the advancement of Christ's kingdom, that we be strong in the Lord and strive to enter into His rest and share this rest with others, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: For all those who are clothed in Christ by Holy Baptism, that joined to our Savior and to one another we show forth the goodness of the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: For all pastors, teachers, musicians, missionaries, and other servants of the Church, that their work be a reflection of Christ, whose work enables us to have peace and joy, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: For all who serve in positions of leadership in our government, along with those who wear the uniform of our country, that our Savior, upon whose shoulders the government rests, grant them wisdom, comfort, and satisfaction in their labors, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: For all who are broken in body, mind, and spirit, especially, Liz Kraft, Myron Kimber, Paul Krahenbuhl, Alice Vogt and Bill Hepting, that the Lord would bind up their wounds and grant them full healing and restoration, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: For Leah Moore and baby during the last days of pregnancy that she rest in the assurance of your ever present hand guiding her through a healthy delivery, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord of the Sabbath, let us rest in You.**

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy and grace, for the sake of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**People: Amen.**

*Please be Seated*

**OFFERING & OFFERTORY** *"I've Got Peace  
Like a River" (Spiritual) arr. Hayes*

*Please Stand*

## ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

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, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Into the very fabric of Your creation You have woven the gift of Your rest. By Your saving grace, grant that we join with those who have come before us and enter into the rest of our Savior, who opened the kingdom of heaven to all who believe. 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 pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.  
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 to bear our sin and be our Savior. By grace through faith in Him who was crucified for us, we come into His presence and are welcomed into the kingdom that will endure forever.

Gathered in the name and remembrance of Jesus, unite us with every member of Your eternal kingdom, that we receive the benefits of our Savior's cross and resurrection. For 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**

### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

**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.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### **PAX DOMINI**

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

**People:** ♪ **Amen**

## **AGNUS DEI**

♪ **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*Please be Seated*

## DISTRIBUTION AND HYMNS

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”	#617
“Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”	#708

*Please Stand*

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

♪ **Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## POST COMMUNION COLLECT

**Pastor:** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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:** There remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,  
**People:** **for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.**

**Pastor:** in His presence, we continue our day and begin our week with His blessing:  
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** “Come, Rest a While ” *see bulletin insert*

**POSTLUDE** “Postlude on ‘St. Patrick’s Breastplate’” *arr. Smith*

