

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

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Prelude: Inventions on “Nun danket alle Gott” by Malachi Heinecke

Hymn of Invocation: 895 Now Thank We All Our God (kids sing stanza 2)

Order of Worship: p. 184

Introit

Psalm 130:1–2a; antiphon: vv. 3–4a



If Thou, LORD, shouldest mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who shall stand?

But there is forgive- | ness with Thee,*

O God of | Israel.

Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, | O LORD!*

Lord, | hear my voice!*



■ Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

If Thou, LORD, shouldest mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who shall stand?

But there is forgive- | ness with Thee,*

O God of | Israel.

Kyrie - Salutation *p. 186 ff*

Collect of the Day

[P] God, our Refuge and Strength, who art the Author of all godliness, be ready to hear the devout prayers of Thy Church, and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Sit

Prophecy

Micah 6:6–8

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?

[A] The Word of the Lord.

[C] Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 133:1, 2a, 3b



Behold, how good and how pleas- | ant it is*
for brethren to dwell together in | unity!
It is like the precious ointment up- | on the head,*
that ran down upon the beard, even | Aaron's beard.
The Lord commanded the | blessing,*
even life for- | evermore.

Epistle

Philippians 1:3–11

Brethren: I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ; just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

- A** The Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse of the Day

Psalm 130:1-2a



C Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Alleluia. Out of the depths have I cried unto | Thee, O LORD. Lord, | hear my voice. **Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 18:23–35

- P** The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

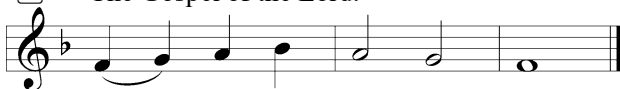


C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: “The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be

made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

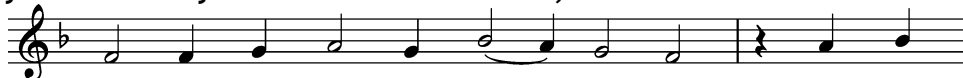


C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

Sit

Hymn of the Day: TLH 321 O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee



1 O faith - ful God, thanks be to Thee Who dost
 2 Thy ser - vant now de - clares to me: “Thy sins
 3 O Lord, we bless Thy gra - cious heart, For Thou
 4 Give us Thy Spir - it, peace af - ford Now and



for - give in - iq - ui - ty. Thou grant - est help in
 are all for - giv - en thee. De - part in peace, but
 Thy - self dost heal our smart Thro’ Christ our Sav - ior’s
 for - ev - er, gra - cious Lord. Pre - serve to us till



sin’s dis - tress, And soul and bod - y dost Thou bless.
 sin no more And e’er My par - d’ning grace a - dore.”
 pre - cious blood, Which for the sake of sin - ners flowed.
 life is spent Thy ho - ly Word and Sac - ra - ment.

A-men.

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 Tune: Genevan Psalter, 1547
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Sermon

Offering Voluntary: Nun danket alle Gott by Georg Friedrich Kaufmann

Stand

Offertory *p. 192 ff*

Prayer of the Church **☞** Lord, in Your mercy, **☩** hear our prayer.

Proper Preface

☞ It is truly meet, 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, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. 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 - Agnus Dei *p. 195 ff*

Sit

Distribution Hymns:

609 Jesus Sinners Doth Receive /

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be /

614 “As Surely as I Live,” God Said /

647 Lord Jesus Christ, the Church’s Head /

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table /

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

Stand

Nunc Dimittis - Benediction *p. 199 ff*

Hymn to Depart: 805 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in Bb major by Johann Sebastian Bach

Looking Forward to Wednesday

Lessons: I Timothy 6:7-14; Mark 11:22-26

Hymns: 913-730-664-921

Looking forward to next Sunday (Last Sunday of the Church Year)

Lessons: Isaiah 65:17-25; I Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:1-13

Hymns: 514-516-872-TLH 607/621/334/395/663-TLH 605

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We Welcome Our Guests Today!

We're glad you've joined us in worship today. Please fill out a Visitor Card (located in the pew rack) and hand it to an usher or place it in the offering plate. We also ask that you read *"Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion"* printed below. Please visit our **Welcome Center** in the narthex and worship with us again soon.

Our Practice Concerning Holy Communion

In keeping with the tradition of the early Church and the Lutheran Confessions, we celebrate the Lord's Supper every Lord's Day. Because Holy Communion is an expression of complete unity of faith and doctrine, only active and repentant members of St. Peter's or a sister Missouri Synod congregation may commune. This is not a judgment of the faith of others, but rather an indication of our obedience to the Lord's command that those who kneel together at His altar be in complete unity regarding what they believe and teach. Your respect for our practice concerning the Lord's Supper is appreciated. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions.

If communing with individual cup, please hold your empty cup until Pastor has passed you with the chalice. And please remember to fill out a Communion card.

The Gathering of the Offerings

God finances His church. The gathering of the offerings is, therefore, not merely collecting money. It is a holy privilege for those who believe in Jesus Christ. This is our opportunity to gratefully respond to God's love and grace by returning a portion of the gifts He has given us. As God's children, we consider it a special honor to build and extend His kingdom through our offerings. St. Paul writes, "God loves a cheerful giver" (II Cor. 9:7b NKJV). Our visitors and guests are in no way compelled to contribute to this offering. We ask nothing of our guests except that they return here often to hear more about God's great love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. If anyone wishes to give electronically, you may scan this QR code to set up an account.



Small Children

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14). Jesus wants your little ones present with Him during our worship service. And so do we.

When you're little, it's hard to sit without fidgeting or making some noise. And of course babies join us with their songs, too! We consider their small voices to be a part of our sacred music as they learn with us what it is to be a Christian. We encourage their presence throughout the entire service.

If you feel that your children are being too disruptive, please feel free to take them to the nursery that is located on the other side of the Conference Room. A closed-circuit television will bring the service to you. An usher will be happy to direct you.

"Repetitio est mater studiorum: Repetition is the mother of all learning." The more they're here, the easier it will get.

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