



“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard.”

Septuagesima

January 31, 2021

9:30 a.m.

This Morning's Hymns

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P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

C **who made Heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O Almighty God, Merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Introit

Psalm 18:1–2a, 27, 32, 49; antiphon: Psalm 18:5–6a



The cords of Sheol en- | tangled me,*

the snares of death con- | fronted me.

In my distress I called up- | on the LORD.*

From His temple He | heard my voice.

I love You, O | LORD, my strength.*

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer,

For You save a humble | people,*
but the haughty eyes | You bring down.

You have equipped | me with strength*
and made my way | blameless.

For this I will praise You, O LORD, among the | nations,*
and sing | to Your Name.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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the snares of death con- | fronted me.

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Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

C O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we, who justly suffer the consequence of our sin, may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your Name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

Old Testament

Exodus 17:1-7

In those days: ¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled

with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalm 9:9–10, 18–19a



The LORD is a stronghold for | the oppressed,*
a stronghold in times of | trouble.

**And those who know Your Name put their | trust in You,*
for You, O LORD, have not forsaken those who | seek You.**

For the needy shall not always be for- | gotten,*
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for- | ever.

**A- | rise, O Lord!*
Let not | man prevail.**

Epistle

1 Corinthians 9:24–10:5

Brethren: ²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

^{10:1}I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Tract

Psalm 130:1–4



Out | of the depths*

I cry to | You, O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas | for mercy!

If You, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with You there is | forgiveness,*

that You | may be feared.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twentieth chapter:



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

At that time Jesus said to His disciples: ¹“The Kingdom of Heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ ⁵So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ ⁷They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ ⁸And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ ⁹And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹²saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius?’

¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you.
¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first last."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



G Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from Heaven *and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man*; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into Heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose Kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is *worshipped and glorified*, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in One Holy Christian and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day

Salvation unto Us Has Come

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Sermon

Offering

Stand

Offertory



G Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

At the end of each petition:

- P** Let us pray to the Lord.
- C** Lord, have mercy.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.



- C** And with thy spir - it.

- P** Lift up your hearts.



- C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

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 overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many, that with cleansed hearts, we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bles - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

Musical notation for Agnus Dei, consisting of five staves of music in a single treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Our Lord Jesus Christ declares that the bread and wine in the Holy Communion are His body and blood, and are given to the faithful to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation

(Matthew 26:26-29; Luke 22:14-20). St. Paul writes to the church at Corinth: **“Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.”** The Holy Communion is received worthily by those who are baptized in the Name of the Triune God, repent of all sin, are instructed in the Christian faith, trust our Lord’s words **“given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,”** and set aside any and all refusal to love and forgive others as God has loved and forgiven them. In so doing, they proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes again.

Because Holy Scripture warns against eating and drinking the body and blood of Christ in an unworthy manner, and because the Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed at this altar, first-time visitors, those who are not baptized and instructed in the Christian faith, those who are in doubt or hold a confession different from that of St. Paul Lutheran Church and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are kindly asked to speak with the pastor before communing. If you are not communing at the Lord’s Table today, but would still like to receive a blessing from the pastor, please cross your arms against your chest in the form of an “X” upon kneeling at the communion rail.

Sit

Distribution Hymns

Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread	625
Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness	563
By Grace I’m Saved	566
O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace	693

Nunc Dimittis

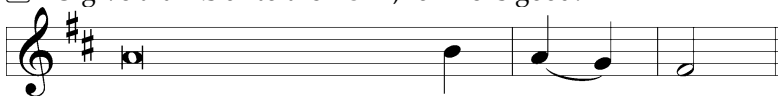
Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



people Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

P O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is good.



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P 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.



C A - men.

Salutation and Benedicamus

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn of Departure

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

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FLOWERS UNDER THE CROSS ARE GIVEN
IN HONOR OF OUR MOM, GRANDMA, AND
GREAT-GRANDMA IRMER'S 100TH BIRTHDAY!

WITH ALL OUR LOVE,
THE LARRY IRMER FAMILY



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"To Shine Forth the Light of God's Love into Our World"

BULLETIN NEWS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 31

9:30am

Divine Service

Location

Sanctuary

11:30am

Catherine Irmer 100th Birthday Party

Irmer Hall

Thursday, February 4

6:00pm

Pastor's Bible Study (*Luke*)

Sanctuary

7:30pm

Vespers

Sanctuary

Saturday, February 6

9:00am

Confirmation

Library

10:30am

Matins

Sanctuary

11:15am

Board of Elders Meeting

Library

BIRTHDAYS

01/31 – Nicholas Jimenez

02/02 – Amanda Acuña

02/02 – Catherine Irmer

02/04 – Violet Redner



SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

NEXT SUNDAY, our congregation will participate in the “Souper Bowl of Caring” along with many churches across our nation. This will be an effort to address hunger issues on the day of the NFL Super Bowl, when many dollars are spent on food and drink. Our donations collected will be shared with the Phoenix Rescue Mission that provides food and shelter to the unsheltered, along with employment services. This Mission also takes sack lunches via the Hope Coach to places where people living on the street are gathered. We encourage you to consider bringing an extra monetary donation next Sunday to help “TACKLE” hunger in our community.

LWML MITES

The LWML “mite” collection on January 10 resulted in \$170.00 received. These dollars have been sent to our PSW District LWML chairperson for distribution. The total of our mite collections for 2020 was \$772.48. Your support of these projects is appreciated by many within our District and nationally.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Over the next few months, we will be collecting the following items for the Justa Center, which provides free resources, support, and services for seniors (55+) experiencing homelessness:

- 8oz Styrofoam Cups
- Regular Body Wash
- Bath Washcloths
- Ground Coffee
- Individually Wrapped Flatware Kits
- Rain Ponchos

YOUR DAILY LUTHERAN BIBLE CLASS

This week's teachings on Issues, Etc. include: The Word "Kingdom" in the Bible, Old Testament Patriarch Jacob, Saul Becomes King, The Day of Atonement, and more. Listen at issuesetc.org, on the LPR mobile app, or through your favorite podcast provider.

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YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

100th

Birthday Celebration

HONORING

Catherine Irmer

Sunday, January 31, 2021
at 11:30am in Irmer Hall
Lunch will be provided.

Hosted by The Ahrens and The Irmer families

THIS WEEK AS OF January 27, 2020

LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. *For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. or email at info@stpaulslutheran-az.com. Prayer requests are removed after three weeks.*

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:

Dennis Stonecypher – health concerns. **Barbara Sand** – recovering from heart attack and sepsis.

ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Debbie Dyjak – seeking employment

John Peterman – recovering from kidney surgery

Doc Dalbey – ongoing health issues

Otillia Wartell – receiving hemodialysis

Pat Haas – ongoing health issues

Laura Jimenez – kidney failure

Jorge Jimenez – diagnosed with cancer

Marcia Brant – rehab due to blood clots in her leg

Gary Moser – pulmonary embolism

Judith Kuhajda – ongoing health issues

Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker

FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Jennifer Sand Derheim, daughter of Barbara Sand, results came back positive for cancer.

Linda Bion, neighbor of Rose Tressler, lost her son Glen Bion to complications brought on by COVID-19.

Samantha Good, sister-in-law of Taryn Winger, admitted to hospital with COVID-19 and pneumonia.

Frank Davis, son-in-law of Delores & Roger Townsend, had relapse of COPD, and other health concerns.

Gary Proctor, father of Pastor Proctor, preparing for heart bypass surgery.

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan.

Rev. Stephen Oliver, wife Maggie and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.

Rev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala.

PSWD Missions

PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor, his wife, Joan, and children, Christian, Olivia, Nigel, Fiona & Siwan

Sunday School teachers & children

LCMS officers, congregations & schools

Maryvale Preparatory Academy families & staff

Lexington Life Academy families & staff

OUR NATION: The President of the United States and his advisors, as well as the Governor of Arizona and all who make and administer the laws in our land.

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY (*members, friends, or relatives*): Gary Morris, Joseph J. Yungkans, Clay Faras, Lindsey Keene, Juan Garcia, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Gilmore, Ethan Peterman, Mike Nguyen, Jacob Wilson, Lucas Butterfass, Nathanael Dyjak, Erich Dyjak

OUR SHUT-INS: Suzanne Berna, Anne Smith, Arbutus Wood

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