



Welcome to *Lord of Life* Lutheran Church

October 10, 2021 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Today in Worship

The rich man who comes to ask Jesus what he should do to inherit eternal life is a good man, sincere in his asking. Mark's gospel is alone in saying that Jesus looked on him and loved him. Out of love, not as judgment, Jesus offers him an open door to life: sell all you own and give it to the poor. Our culture bombards us with the message that we will find life by consuming. Our assemblies counter this message with the invitation to find life by divesting for the sake of the other.

A word of welcome to all: Welcome to Lord of Life Lutheran Church. You are welcome to share in Holy Communion. All who trust that Christ's body and blood are present in the bread and wine are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Worshipping during the pandemic- Masks: are required in our building. We need to remain strong and wise to avoid out of control disease. **Less touch:** please pick up a service folder and communion packet at the entrance. Please place your offering in the plate in the entrance of the worship center. During the passing of the peace wave, smile with your eyes, send a greeting by texting to someone who is alone. **You may sing.** Thanks be to God. **Physical Distancing:** It is still important to be aware of distancing. Pews on the outside of the worship area are more widely spaced for the more covid sensitive. Pews in the center are arranged normally. Choose whichever option makes you more comfortable.

Hand washing is still very important. Feel free to use the bottles of hand sanitizer throughout the building.

For those worshipping from home: Find a peaceful place to pray, perhaps a table. You will need your communion packet, this service folder, and if your phone is convenient you can use it to pass the peace. Lighting a candle hallows your worship place. We distribute packets of pre-consecrated bread and wine (gluten free option is available) for those who call the church office. We are here for you!

*Information, service & liturgy instructions are shown in italic or **bold italic** type on the following pages.*

Portions of the liturgy spoken by the leaders are shown in plain type.

*Portions of the liturgy spoken by the assembly are shown in **bold type**.*

PRELUDE

Gathering

The assembly stands as they are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

The assembly kneels or stands as they are able. Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN 479 We Come to the Hungry Feast Vs. 1,2,3

**1 We come to the hungry feast
hungry for a word of peace.
To hungry hearts unsatisfied
the love of God is not denied.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.**

2 We come to the hungry feast

**hungry for a world released
from hungry folk of ev'ry kind,
the poor in body, poor in mind.
We come, we come to the hungry feast.**

**3 We come to the hungry feast
hungry that the hunger cease,
and knowing, though we eat our fill,
the hunger will stay with us; still
we come, we come to the hungry feast.**

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN 167 Now the Feast and Celebration *(sung)*

Refrain

**Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy
to the God of life and love and freedom;
praise and glory forevermore!**

**1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God. *Refrain***

2 Power and riches, wisdom and might, all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain*

**3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God;
to make all things new. *Refrain***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

All are seated.

FIRST READING: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶Seek the LORD and live,
or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

⁷Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,
and bring righteousness to the ground!

¹⁰They hate the one who reproves in the gate,
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

¹¹Therefore because you trample on the poor
and take from them levies of grain,
you have built houses of hewn stone,
but you shall not live in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards,
but you shall not drink their wine.

¹²For I know how many are your transgressions,
and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,
and push aside the needy in the gate.

¹³Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;
for it is an evil time.

¹⁴Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.

¹⁵Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 90:12-17

¹²So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?
Be gracious to your servants.**

¹⁴Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**

¹⁶Show your servants your works,
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

The assembly stands as they are able for the reading of the gospel.

THE GOSPEL READING: Mark 10:17-31

The holy gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

²⁸Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

All are seated.

THE SERMON

Response to the Word

The assembly stands as they are able.

THE APOSTLES CREED

Trusting in God, we unite in faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Uniting God, you call forth different gifts in those who follow you. Encourage us to welcome the diverse benefits and blessings of the whole church in teaching, preaching, prophecy, healing, and more. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Nurturing God, you bring forth crops from the soil and bounty from the trees. Increase the produce of the land and bless all who toil in fields and orchards. Provide for good working conditions and keep them safe. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Empowering God, you offer compassion for those who are overlooked or forgotten. Open the hearts of local, national, and world leaders to show such compassion and love for their neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Sheltering God, in Jesus you travelled among us without a place to lay your head. Provide safe places to sleep and rest for those who have no place to live. Sustain ministries that offer food, clothing, and peace of mind. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Renewing God, you bring life out of death. Help us part with those things that are no longer beneficial to us and open our hearts to see where new life is budding in this congregation. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Eternal God, we thank you for the lives of those who have died. Make us confident in your promise of salvation and support us in our own journey of faith. Lord, in your mercy,
receive our prayer.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord with phrases like “Peace be with you.” If you have your phone available text a word of peace to someone who is worshipping alone.

OFFERING AND PRAYER

God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Meal

The assembly stands as they are able.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE AND EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

...join their unending hymn

HYMN 191 Holy, Holy, Holy (sung)

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might;
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in your name.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

The minister continues the eucharistic prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, hear us pray:

**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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

(sung) **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us, mercy on us,
mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us all, have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on
us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us
peace.**

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen**

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen**

PRAYER

Let us pray. Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith
into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the

abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Sending

The assembly stands as they are able.

People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.

The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever. **Amen**

HYMN 583 Take My Life, That I May Be Vs. 1,4

Refrain

**Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain***

**4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *Refrain***

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, adap.; Spanish text: Vicente Mendoza, 1875-1955

Sharing of Joys, Concerns and Announcements

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Participating in Worship this Morning

Presiding Minister: Pastor Adam Dowd

Assisting Minister: Dan Buchman, Bobbie Sejnost

Lectors: Jonathon Silkaitis, Raymond Silhan III

Organist: Rosita Yao

Video: Shiela Ruh, Sherry Sejnost

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Litanies of Welcome and Farewell-Interim Ministry Network, Baltimore, Maryland

Announcements – 10-10-21

Cor Peterson donated the flowers in the sanctuary today in honor of her 36th wedding anniversary.

The church office has a new email address: lordlifesecc@gmail.com. Please note if you use the previous address, the office will still receive your email.

Lectionary Bible Study and Prayer

Join Pastor Adam for Bible study and prayer **Tuesday mornings** at Lord of Life from **9:30-10:30 starting this week**. We will look at the upcoming lectionary reading for Sunday and close in prayer.

The Lunch Bunch meets again on Tuesday, October 12 at 11:30. We will gather at Steven's Restaurant, 2393 63rd St., in Woodridge. Please RSVP to Sue Tomaszek at (630) 964-0580 if you would like to attend. Note that Steven's gives a 5% discount if you pay in cash.

Pet Blessing Event-Spread the word that October 17 is Lord of Life's famous pet blessing event at 12:30 p.m. We can also introduce Pastor Adam Dowd to our community. Tell your friends and neighbors today!

The Senior Spirits meet on Thursday, October 21st at noon in the Fellowship Hall. We will host the LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs! The dogs are trained to interact with people of all ages and circumstances who are suffering and in need. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs serve every day in their community and are dispatched in times of disaster. LCC never charges those they serve, and they depend on donations to support their Ministry. Thank you to everyone who has generously donated during the month of September – your donations will be given at this time. Bring your own lunch and beverage.

The God's Work Our Hands for October is our annual Sock Collection. LoL has been supporting the Foot Care Clinic of the Church of Our Savior in Chicago for the past 6 years. The purpose of this clinic is to develop a relationship with the disenfranchised people on the streets. Persons attending the clinic receive foot care and general health assessment. Referrals are made to local clinics for free care. Our role is to provide new socks to the clinic participants. Winter is coming and warm, dry socks are essential for foot health. Have you ever walked in wet socks? Think of the discomfort if you wear wet socks day after day. We will collect the socks in the wooden box in the narthex during the month of October. Thank you for your past donations and we look forward to receiving new socks again this year for the clinic participants.

THIS WEEK AT LORD OF LIFE

Sunday	10/10 9:00 AM	In Person Worship (Live Streaming)
	10:00AM	Sunday school
	11:00 AM	In Person Worship
	1:00 PM	Loving Word Worship
Tuesday	10/12 9:30 AM	Lectionary Bible Study & Prayer
	11:30 AM	Lunch Bunch
	7:00 PM	BSA #56
	7:00 PM	Council
Wednesday	10/13 10:00 AM	Worship Committee
	7:00 PM	AA
Thursday	10/14 7:00 PM	BSA Troop #97
Friday	10/15 9:30 AM	Card Group
Saturday	10/16 9:45 AM	SDA Luncheon
Sunday	10/17 9:00 AM	In Person Worship (Live Streaming)
	10:00AM	Sunday school
	11:00 AM	In Person Worship
	12:30 PM	Pet Blessing
	2:00 PM	Loving Word Worship

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For your devotions: Hebrews 4:12-16

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.