

# *20th Sunday after Pentecost*



## **WORD & SACRAMENT**

*“Not Just Going to Church, but BEING the Church”*  
**Saint Bartholomew Lutheran Church**

October 18, 2020 11:00 am



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

## **Welcome to Worship!**

This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Saint Bart's welcomes you to this worship and our believing community. This morning we celebrate the **Twentieth Sunday** after Pentecost. The worship service can be followed entirely in the bulletin which can be found at [www.stbartlutheran.org](http://www.stbartlutheran.org). You can download today's bulletin and follow along with the service! The lyrics to the hymns are included for you to sing along!

## **Holy Communion**

Saint Bart's celebrates the real presence of Jesus through the bread and wine. We invite all to come and share. At the time of communion, the pastor will drop a pre-packaged communion kit in your cupped hand. We will all take the elements together!

## **Children**

We welcome all children to worship.

## **Praying People**

Everyone is invited to offer their prayer concerns out loud during the Prayers of the Church. There will be an opportunity to speak individual names and concerns during the prayer petitions offered by the pastor or assisting minister.

## **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

In today's first reading God uses the Gentile ruler Cyrus to accomplish divine purposes. When the Pharisees try to trap Jesus, he tells them to give the emperor what belongs to him and to God what belongs to God. To gather for worship reminds us that our ultimate allegiance is to God rather than to any earthly authority. Created in the image of God, we offer our entire selves in the service of God and for the sake of the world.



**Food Pantry** will be running as on a limited schedule. **It will be open the Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am in October.**

We will be looking for creative ways to hopefully continue serving meals at least twice a week. Stay Tuned!

**The Clothes Closet** will be operating along with the Food Pantry on a limited basis.

**Bible Study-** Questions for study will be posted on the Webpage every Wednesday for an interactive experience! Please Email Barb Fletcher! You can find her email on the webpage!

We can use any food or monetary donations to help our community in need.

Pastor Erich's ordination will be October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the church parking lot. All members are welcome!

We will be planning to return to in person worship hopefully in November for a 10AM and a 12PM service. Remember that everything is subject to change as we keep an eye on the global pandemic. The max capacity for each service will be 20 people. Please specify your preference to our email at [www.stbartlutheran@gmail.com](mailto:www.stbartlutheran@gmail.com). You will find information on our webpage in our Fall 2020 Ambassador Newsletter.

General Guidelines for Outdoor Worship  
Outdoor parking lot 11:00AM

**Must** wear face coverings.

Keep at least 6 feet away from people not in your own households.

Maintain physical distancing

**Restrooms cannot be used** unless it is an emergency.

**Passing the Peace**: a peace sign

**No Fellowship hour or lingering after Worship.**

The facility will remain closed.

## Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### *Confession and Forgiveness*

**P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

**C** **Amen.**

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

*(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

**P:** God of mercy,

**C** **We place our trust in tangible things— things we can see and touch— and question whether you are really there. Forgive us, Holy One, when we fail to recognize that you are always nearby, patiently waiting for us to recognize your presence and your glory. Help us when we lose our way, and forgive us when we forget to whom we truly belong. Lover of justice, open our eyes to see you; open our ears to hear you; open our hearts to love you; and open our hands to serve you.**

**P:** When we cry to God, looking for favor in God's sight, God answers: "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." In the power of the Spirit and in the name of ☩ Jesus, we are forgiven! We will rest in God's mercy!

**C** **Amen**

Gathering Hymn: Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 526

God Is Here!



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer  
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long  
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's  
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure  
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;  
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,  
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the  
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -  
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants  
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts  
ty of the preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,  
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore  
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

*APOSTOLIC GREETING*

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

**C** And also with you

## Kyrie



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.  
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.  
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.  
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

## Canticle of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts.  
Created by you, let us live in your image; created for  
you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us  
give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our  
Savior and Lord.

**C** **Amen**



## **+Word+**

**A** I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth (Psalm 34:1). Lord, bless the reading of your word. Make it come alive in our midst.

**C** **Amen.**

### **First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

**A** Word of God, word of life.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Responsive Reading : Psalm 96:1-9

- A Sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- C **Sing to the Lord, bless the name of the Lord;  
proclaim God's salvation from | day to day.**
- A Declare God's glory among the nations  
and God's wonders among all peoples.
- C **For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised,  
more to be feared than all gods.**
- A As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols;  
but you, O Lord, have made the heavens.
- C **Majesty and magnificence are in your presence;  
power and splendor are in your sanctuary.**
- A Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.
- C **Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the holy name;  
bring offerings and enter the courts of the Lord.**
- A Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
tremble before the Lord, all the earth.

## **Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, <sup>10</sup>and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

**L** Word of God, word of life.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation



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**P** The Holy Gospel according to **Matthew the 22nd** chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### **Gospel Matthew 22:15-22**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord **C** **Praise to you O Christ.**

## Sermon

# Hymn of the Day: Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 841

## Lift Every Voice and Sing

1 Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing till earth and heav - en ring,  
 2 Ston - y the road we trod, bit - ter the chas - t'ning rod,  
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears,

ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty,  
 felt in the days when hope un - born had died;  
 thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;

Let our re - joic - ing rise high as the lis - t'ning skies,  
 yet with a stead - y beat, have not our wea - ry feet  
 thou who hast by thy might led us in - to the light,

let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea,  
 come to the place for which our par - ents sighed?  
 keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray,

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
 We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been wa - tered;  
 Lest our feet stray from the plac - es, our God, where we met thee;

sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has brought us;  
 we have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the slaugh - tered,  
 lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we for - get thee;

fac - ing the ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun,  
 out from the gloom - y past, till now we stand at last  
 shad - owed be - neath thy hand, may we for - ev - er stand,

let us march on till vic - to - ry is won,  
 where the white gleam of our bright star is cast,  
 true to our God, true to our na - tive land,

## *Apostles Creed*

**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.**

## Prayers



Each petition ends:

A Lord, in your mercy

C **Hear our prayer.**

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place. Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth. Though there are rulers, presidents, kings, queens, God You are the Lord of all life. In You we live and move and have our being. Help us to reach out to others with the same kind of love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt especially for Michael Blackwood, Mary Caldwell, Bobby and Nancy Jo Durham, Myron, Wendy, Jim, Virgie, Enid, Bob Farr, Bobby, Mary, Margaret, Dawn, Carol, Roger, Helena, Eleanor and family, Faye, Jodi, Joe, Seth, Daulton, George Mount, Billy, Claire, Pat, Kristy, Aiden, Ann, Dick, Bob, Colliney, Chips, Dorothy, Nancy, Will, and Michael and those we name now or silently in our hearts. (pause) Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

At this time, you may offer up prayers for loved ones, thanksgivings to God, or any other intercessions silently or aloud **(Pause)** Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you. We give thanks for their witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

**(Pastor)** Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



## **+Meal+**

Sharing of the Peace (Peace Sign)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

The Offering: (Place offering in Box as you leave)

A As we offer our gifts and lives in this moment,  
may we become imitators of you, Gracious God,  
who holds nothing back from us,  
but is generous and gracious with all that is yours.  
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

C **Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving and Eucharistic Prayer

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you**

P Lift up your hearts

C **We lift them to the Lord**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

P It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father,  
almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen  
from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with  
light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,  
unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the  
breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake  
this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-  
ceasing sabbath of the Lord.

And so with choirs of angels, with all the heavenly host, we  
proclaim your glory and join their unending song of praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

**P** Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

P Lord Jesus, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## Invitation

P Come to the banquet table  
where Christ gives himself as food and drink.

**C Amen.**

## *Communion Reflection*

## Blessing

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

## Post Communion Prayer

A We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**+Sending+**

**Benediction**

**P** Go now as those who have found favor in the sight of God.

Be imitators of Jesus Christ and an example to all of the life of faith.

To the world in which you live, give your love and service,

and to God, give all that you are and all that you shall be.

And may the glory of God's goodness be revealed to you;

May the grace and peace of ✠ Jesus Christ take root in you;

And may the inspiration of the Holy Spirit fill you with joy.

We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,

.....*In the name ✠ of Christ. Amen.*

**C** **Amen.**

Sending Hymn    Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 825  
You Servants of God



1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, and pub - lish a -  
2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save, yet still he is  
3 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -  
4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all glo - ry and



broad his won - der - ful name; the name, all - vic - to - rious, of  
nigh, his pres - ence we have. The great con - gre - ga - tion his  
loud and hon - or the Son. The prais - es of Je - sus the  
pow'r and wis - dom and might, all hon - or and bless - ing, with



Je - sus ex - tol; his king - dom is glo - rious and rules o - ver all!  
tri - umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus, our king!  
an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.  
an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fin - ite love!

Dismissal

A Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God**

Postlude