

HUNTERSVILLE

Lutheran Church

11.22.20 | Sundays after Pentecost



Huntersville Lutheran

A Changeless Message for A Changing Community

Worshipping at the Brick Row Bible Class @ 8:45 | Worship @ 9:30am

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Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we would have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul saving message in his Word. We gather to find strength though God's powerful and holy Word. Take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the order of service, readings, and hymns, and fill out the take action card. May God bless our time together this morning.

About Our Worship

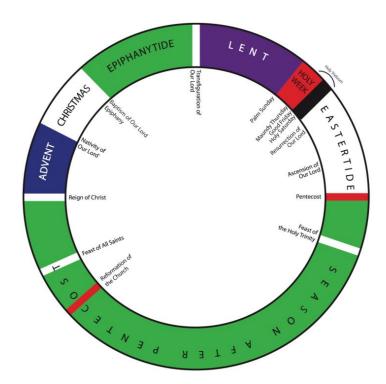
The gospel is the good news about what Jesus did to be the Savior for sinners. It is also the power of God—the very thing he uses to work faith in our hearts and transform our lives. Therefore, gospel-centered worship places the gospel in central focus. This order of service is called the liturgy. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish. Gospel-centered worship is also designed to include the participation of the entire assembly (including children).

For Your Convenience

Restrooms are located through the doors at the rear of the building, to the right. Follow the arrows once you are in the hallway.

Service Participants

Rev. Doug Van Sice, *pastor of Huntersville Lutheran* Andrea Van Sice, *keyboardist*



Service Notes | Sundays after Pentecost

For centuries, the Christian Church has worshiped according to the Church Year. The Church Year begins in December with the season of Advent. The first six months of the church year (December through May/June) follow the life of Christ from his birth until his suffering, death, and resurrection on Easter Sunday. Last Sunday, the Festival of the Holy Trinity marked the beginning of the second half of the church year. The second six months of the church year (June through November) follow the teachings of Christ.

On this, the last Sunday of the church year, it is appropriate for us meditate on God's promise to provide for us—especially because Thanksgiving is only four days away. In every aspect of our lives, God provides. "He has given me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, and all my possessions. He does this all out of pure, fatherly, divine goodness and mercy. For all this I ought to thank Him, praise him, and serve him, and obey him." Today, we take the time to thank God for all he provides for us: both here on earth and forever in eternity!

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Hymn | A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing, vv 1-4|



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- ☐ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.¹
- C Amen.
- L Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord; Lord, hear my voice.

Psalm 130:1

Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

Psalm 130:2

Confession of Sins

Dear friends, let us confess our sins with a true heart in the presence of God and one another.

Almighty and merciful Father,

Like lost sheep, we have strayed from your ways.

We have followed the impure thoughts and desires of our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

Have mercy on us, Lord.

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

L If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, who could stand?

Psalm 130:3

But with you there is forgiveness.

Psalm 130:4

- L Put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love;
- And with him is full redemption.

Psalm 130:7

God, our heavenly Father, has merciful to us. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever. As a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I say to you what God says to you:

Your sins are all forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

c Amen.

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¹ The name of the Triune God and the sing of the cross remind believers of their baptism.

L In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Song of Praise | A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing, vv 5-6 |

- 5. Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
 And be our future great reward.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Then, throned with you forever, we
 Shall praise your name eternally.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6. O risen Christ, ascended Lord, All praise to you let earth accord. Alleluia! Alleluia! You are, while endless ages run, With Father and with Spirit one. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

c Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD

Children's Message

First Reading | Genesis 22:1-18 |

¹ Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied.

²Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

³ Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. ⁴ On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. ⁵ He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

⁶ Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, ⁷ Isaac spoke up and said to his father Abraham, "Father?"

"Yes, my son?" Abraham replied.

"The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

⁸ Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

⁹ When they reached the place God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

 12 "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

¹³ Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called that place The LORD Will Provide. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided."

¹⁵ The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time ¹⁶ and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, ¹⁸ and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

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

Psalm 100

- L Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- Worship the Lord with gladness;
- L Come before him with joyful songs
- C Know that the LORD is God.
- L It is he who made us, and we are his;
- We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- L Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
- Give thanks to him and praise his name.
- For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
- **G** His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Second Reading | Philippians 4:10-20 |

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

¹⁴ Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

- The Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God!

The Gospel

■ The Gospel, according to Luke, chapter 17.

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

¹⁷ Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

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



Hymn of the Day | Praise to the Lord |



Sermon | *The Lord Provides* |

Genesis 22:1-18

Personal Sermon Notes

Confession of Faith | Apostles' Creed |

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THANKSGIVING

Offering | The members of Huntersville Lutheran have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you would like to give digitally, text any dollar amount to **84321**. Easy to follow instructions will be sent to your phone to complete your digital offering. Guests, you are welcome to participate in supporting our ministry, but certainly do not feel obligated.

Take Action Cards In your service folder, you will find *Take Action* Cards. If you haven't done so already, please take a moment and fill it out completely to give us a record of your attendance. In addition, you may request prayers be said on your behalf today. Place your *Take Action* card in the offering plate as it comes around.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

Lord's Blessing

Numbers 6:24

c Amen.

Song of Departure | When Peace Like a River |

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