

**November 8, 2020**

*23rd Sunday after Pentecost*



*Ringling of Bell*

PRELUDE: *Wake, Awake for Night is Flying*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN: *Blessed Assurance, v. 1* ELW #638 PUBLIC DOMAIN

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long:  
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
In whose image we are made,  
Who claims us and calls us beloved.

**All Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Holy One,

**All we confess that we are not awake for you.**

**We are not faithful in using your gifts.**

**We forget the least of our siblings.**

**We do not see your beautiful image in one another.**

**We are infected by sin**

**that divides your beloved community.**

**Open our hearts to your coming.**

**Open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,**

**Open our hands to serve your creation.**

**Amen.**

P Beloved, we are God's children,  
And Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.  
Through ☩ Jesus you are forgiven.  
By Jesus you are welcome.  
In Jesus you are called to rejoice!

**All Let us live in the promises prepared for us  
from the foundation of the world. Amen.**

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

#### CHILDREN'S WORD

#### RESPONSIVE READING: WISDOM OF SOLOMON 6:12-16

L Wisdom is radiant and unfading;  
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,  
and is found by those who seek her.

**All She hastens to make herself known  
to those who desire her.**

L One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,  
for she will be found sitting at the gate.

**All To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,  
and one who is vigilant on her account  
will soon be free from care,**

L because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,  
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,  
and meets them in every thought.

#### SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

<sup>13</sup>We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

<sup>1</sup> *O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:*

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:1-13

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ <sup>7</sup>Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup>But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup>And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ <sup>12</sup>But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ <sup>13</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

MESSAGE: Pastor Julie Rogness

<sup>3</sup> *O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Still be our guard while troubles last and our eternal home.*

APOSTLE’S 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

SHARING OF PEACE

OFFERING OF GIFTS

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.**

BLESSING

P May the God of all creation,  
In whose image we are made,  
who claims us and calls us beloved,  
who strengthens us for service,  
give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God,  
Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit,  
be with you today and always.

**All Amen.**

DISMISSAL Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Blessed Assurance*

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### **PARTICIPANTS**

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## **CALENDAR**

<b>Sun/Nov 8</b>	<b>9:00</b>	<b>LiveStreamed/OnLine Worship ONLY</b>
<b>Tue/Nov 10</b>	<b>6:30</b>	<b>Worship &amp; Evangelism</b>
<b>Wed/Nov 11</b>	<b>6:30</b>	<b>7th &amp; 8th Gr. Confirmation - ONLINE</b>
<b>Thu/Nov 12</b>	<b>5:30</b>	<b>Stewardship Committee</b>
<b>Sun/Nov 15</b>	<b>9:00</b>	<b>LiveStreamed/OnLine Worship ONLY</b>