



*God's love, Our service.*

## St. Mark's Lutheran Church Sunday, September 27, 2020 17th Sunday after Pentecost

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### PROCESSIONAL HYMN ELW 824

#### This Is My Father's World

- 1 This is my Father's world,  
and to my list'ning ears  
all nature sings, and round me rings  
the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world;  
I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
his hand the wonders wrought.
- 2 This is my Father's world;  
the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white,  
declare their maker's praise.

This is my Father's world;  
he shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;  
he speaks to me ev'rywhere.

- 3 This is my Father's world;  
oh, let me not forget  
that, though the wrong seems oft so  
strong,  
God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world;  
why should my heart be sad?  
The Lord is king, let heaven ring;  
God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901

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### Psalm: Psalm 25:1-9

*Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love. (Ps. 25:6)*

<sup>1</sup>To you, O LORD,  
I lift up my soul.

<sup>2</sup>**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

<sup>3</sup>Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

<sup>4</sup>**Show me your ways, O LORD,  
and teach me your paths.**

<sup>5</sup>Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

<sup>6</sup>**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.**

<sup>7</sup>Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

<sup>8</sup>**You are gracious and upright, O LORD;  
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

<sup>9</sup>You lead the lowly in justice  
and teach the lowly your way.

### **Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32**

*After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.*

<sup>23</sup>When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" <sup>24</sup>Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. <sup>25</sup>Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' <sup>26</sup>But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." <sup>27</sup>So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.



<sup>28</sup>"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' <sup>29</sup>He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. <sup>30</sup>The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. <sup>31</sup>Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. <sup>32</sup>For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

**CHILDRENS SERMON** Pastor Kris  
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## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 825

### You Servants of God

- 1 You servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name;  
the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol;  
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!
- 2 Ascended on high, almighty to save,  
yet still he is nigh, his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall  
sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!
- 3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces, and worship the  
Lamb.
- 4 Then let us adore and give him his right,  
all glory and pow'r and wisdom and  
might,  
all honor and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite  
love!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

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### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God of grace and glory, we praise you for your servant Erica Bryer who makes the good news known in Japan. Raise up, we pray, in every country, heralds of the gospel, so that the world may know the immeasurable riches of your love, and be drawn to worship you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

*A brief silence.*

In all the world, give your church unity. Inspire all the baptized with the mind of Christ. Where the church is powerful and where it struggles, shape us with humility and obedience so that your love may be at work in us. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Your Son took on all of bodily life in our world, even to death. Preserve and keep your creation, O God. Mend and redeem places that are polluted and damaged, so that all of creation confesses you as Lord. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Turn the nations toward life. Where our ways are unfair, give us new hearts and new spirits. Where sin permeates our cultures and institutions (*especially*), change our minds and teach us to trust your authority. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Our lives are yours, O God. Relieve the suffering of those who are ill in body,

mind, or spirit. Defend the lives and welfare of children who are abused or neglected, hungry or exploited, bullied or lonely. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Turn this congregation away from our own interests toward the interests of others. Fill us with your compassion and sympathy. Bless ministries of care in our community (*especially*); make us into signs of your mercy and justice for our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Thank you for those who have gone into the kingdom ahead of us—tax collectors and prostitutes, likely and unlikely, obedient and slow to learn. By their witness, teach us to confess Jesus Christ as Lord in life and in death. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **COMMUNION & INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

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

### **COMMUNION HYMN ELW 471**

#### **Let Us Break Bread Together**

1 Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees.

#### *Refrain*

When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.

2 Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees.

#### *Refrain*

3 Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees.

#### *Refrain*

Text: African American spiritual

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## **BLESSING**

Mothering God,  
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.  
**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Remember the poor.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## PRAYER REQUESTS & CONDOLENCES

Contact Janet Anderson at 913.780.6408 to add names to the prayer chain or to join the prayer chain.

Please contact the church office to make changes to this list.

### **St. Mark's members:**

Ginny Schwartzbeck,  
Shane Paulson,  
Pete Cagle,  
Jeanette Cain,  
Ron & Ann Gardner,  
Darrell Strampe,  
Janet Schmidt,  
Susan Roberts,  
Phyllis Dettmer,  
Jerry Kay Lage,  
Madison Young

### **Family & friends:**

TJ, Grandson of Jeannine Matthews,  
Bruce Campbell, Brother-in-law of Joni Benz,  
Steve Nelson, cousin of Louise Easterberg,  
McKenna, Granddaughter of the Johnsons,  
Family of Olathe Mayor, Mike Copeland,  
Lena Shelton, friend of the Schmideskamps,  
Crissy, cousin of Tom Bryer ,  
Caroline, aunt of Nancy Bryer ,  
Marie Carlin, friend of Barbara Strampe,  
Neil Wray, Son of Lynn and Tom,  
Brian Lynn, cousin of Amy Hackler,  
Jeff Needham, friend of St. Mark's, Peggy Hinkle,  
Step-Mother of Kathy Hinkle,  
Stephanie Herndon, friend of Kathy Hinkle,  
Wally Tschopp, Brother of Barbara Strampe,  
Judy Wagner, Sister-in-law of Paula Quade,  
Tim Eiter, Father of Todd Eiter,  
Rebeka Gillette, friend of Janet Nichols, Jackie  
Warriner, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Shirley, neighbor of Mary Weeg ,  
Don Thun, Father of Matt Thun,  
Ken Liesche, Brother of 'Sam' Ham, Don Ham,  
Brother of Hollie Ham,  
Kelly Franks, Daughter of Hollie and 'Sam' Ham ,  
Janice Ham, Sister-in-law of Hollie Ham,  
Aeris, Great Niece of Tom Bryer,

Sammy Schreiman, friend of Kathy Hinkle,  
Catherine Dial, relative of Anne Gardner,  
Karen Bannister, friend of Jane Scherrer,  
"Our little friend",  
Catherine Tietjen, Mary Mindrup's sister ,  
Rob Boulter, friend of Mark Schmideskamp,  
Matt Warriner, Great Nephew of Linda Good-  
heart,  
Joan Nelson, Sister-in-law of Linda Goodheart,  
Dean Taake, Joyce Johnson's brother,  
Gibby, friend of Erica Bryer,  
Joanne, Amy Fisher's sister,  
Neil Warriner, Linda Goodheart's brother,  
Bob Hinkle, Kathy Hinkle's dad,  
Judy Wendt, Jeannine Matthew's  
sister-in-law,  
Paul Heath, Don Anderson's cousin, Donna  
Poppe, friend of St. Marks, Rosemary Williams  
and her sons Wayne & Wade Beck,  
Brooke Harris, friend of Gretchen Goodheart  
Stewart,  
Dan Ostergaard - friend of the Goodhearts,  
Frank Heckadon, Linda Goodheart's brother-in-  
law,  
Bruce Dawson, friend of the Goodhearts,  
Gary Pellogrom, friend of the Goodheart's,  
Jackson Werth, friend of the Bott/Bollinger Fami-  
lies,  
Kirk Wheeler, cousin of Verna McMullin,  
Ivan, brother of Jane Stresewski,  
All People affected by natural disasters

### **Those in the Military:**

A.J. Simons, nephew of Stan and Karen Thomp-  
son,  
Logan Peck, nephew of Karen and Stan Thomp-  
son,  
Zack Moran-Prichard, grandson of Hollie and  
Sam Ham