

**Saturday, October 16, 2021**  
**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

**Apostolic Greeting**

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

**A: And also with you.**

**Lord Jesus, Think on Me**

1 Lord Je - sus, think on me, and purge a - way my sin;  
2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, by anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;  
3 Lord Je - sus, think on me, nor let me go a - stray;  
4 Lord Je - sus, think on me, that, when the flood is past,

from self - ish pas - sions set me free and make me pure with - in.  
let me your lov - ing ser - vant be and taste your prom - ised rest.  
through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty point out your cho - sen way.  
I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see and share your joy at last.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics, and the second system contains the remaining four lines. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, 375–430; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808–1896, alt.  
Music: SOUTHWELL, W. Daman, *The Psalms of David*, 1579, alt.

**Prayer of the Day**

P: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **A: Amen.**

## Readings and Psalm

### First Reading: Job 38 1-7; 34-41

<sup>1</sup>The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

<sup>2</sup>“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

<sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

<sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>34</sup>“Can you lift up your voice to the clouds,

so that a flood of waters may cover you?

<sup>35</sup>Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go

and say to you, ‘Here we are’?

<sup>36</sup>Who has put wisdom in the inward parts,

or given understanding to the mind?

<sup>37</sup>Who has the wisdom to number the clouds?

Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens,

<sup>38</sup>when the dust runs into a mass

and the clods cling together?

<sup>39</sup>“Can you hunt the prey for the lion,

or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,

<sup>40</sup>when they crouch in their dens,

or lie in wait in their covert?

<sup>41</sup>Who provides for the raven its prey,

when its young ones cry to God,

and wander about for lack of food?”

### Semicontinuous Psalm: Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35b

<sup>1</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with majesty and splendor.

<sup>2</sup>**You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak  
and stretch out the heavens like a tent.**

<sup>3</sup>You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above;

you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.

<sup>4</sup>**You make the winds your messengers**

**and flames of fire your servants. R**

<sup>5</sup>You set the earth upon its foundations,  
so that from now until forever it shall never be moved.

**<sup>6</sup>You covered it with the deep as with a garment;  
the waters stood above the mountains. R**

<sup>7</sup>At your rebuke the waters fled,  
scattered by your voice of thunder.

**<sup>8</sup>They went up into the mountains and descended down to the valleys,  
to the place where you assigned them.**

<sup>9</sup>You set the limits that they should not pass;  
never shall they return to cover the earth again.

**<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your works, O Lord!**

**In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

<sup>35b</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Hallelujah! R

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”;

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

R: The word of the Lord

**A: Thanks be to God**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

*“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”*  
(ELW 510 verse1)

Word of God, come down on earth,  
living rain from heav'n descending;  
touch our hearts and bring to birth  
faith and hope and love unending.

Word almighty, we revere you;  
Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

### **Gospel: Mark 10:35-45**

<sup>17</sup>As [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?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You 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.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, 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.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

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

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus 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, <sup>30</sup>who 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. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

P: The gospel of the Lord

**A: Praise to you, O Christ**

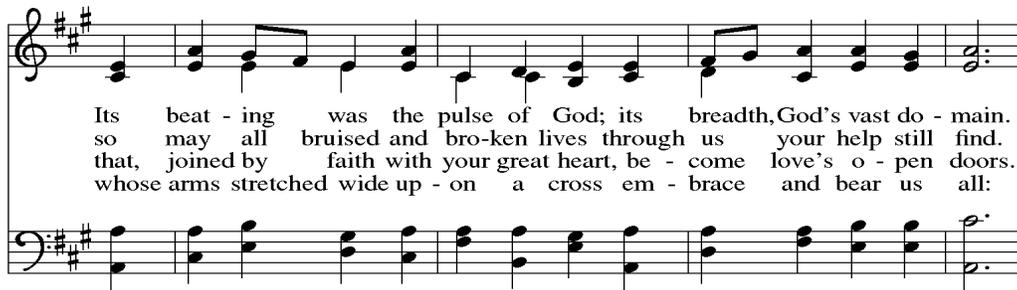
**Sermon**

Hymn of the Day: ELW 722, O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

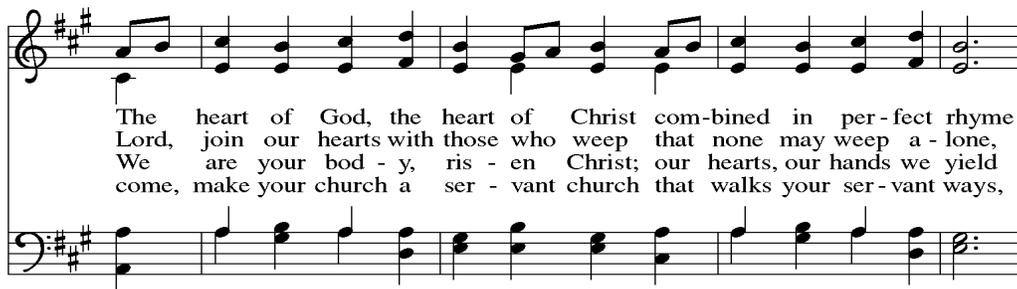
O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate



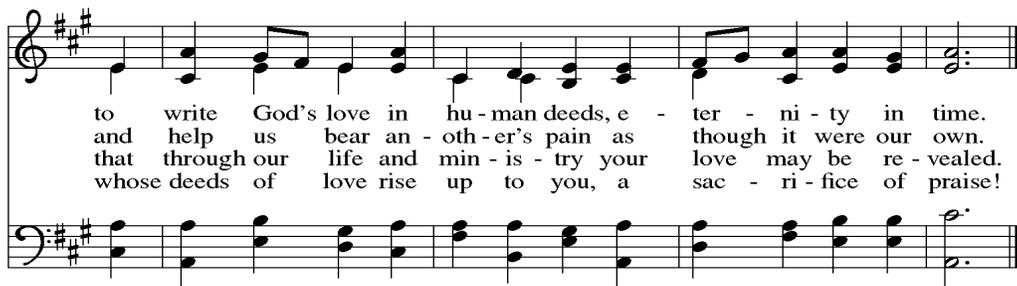
1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.  
2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,  
3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,  
4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.  
so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.  
that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.  
whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme  
Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,  
We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield  
come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.  
and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.  
that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.  
whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

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## **Prayers of Intercession**

P: Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth, we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

P: Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms and equip them with your gifts. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Creating One, for the lush and abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you. Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins, and all living things flourish as you intend. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and who lead nations with a servant's heart, we praise you. Bring justice for all who suffer violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness, and create places of refuge for all people. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you. Surround and comfort all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness (*especially*), that all may be healed. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Sustaining One, for all who volunteer for the vitality of this congregation, we praise you. Strengthen and encourage greeters, ushers, office volunteers, bakers, counters, committee and group leaders, teachers, students, evangelists, singers, builders, nurturers, and all who serve with generous hearts. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel. Through the witness of your saints (*especially Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch*), continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast. Hear us, O God.

**A: Your mercy is great.**

P: Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. A: **Amen.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**A: And also with you!**

### **Announcements**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you!

**A: And also with you!**

P: Lift up your hearts!

**A: We lift them to the Lord!**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**A: It is right to give our thanks**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn and praise:

**Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Table**

P: 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.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Our Father,

**A: who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this 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.**

#### **Just As I am, without One Plea: (ELW 592, Verse 3)**

Just as I am, thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
because thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,

### **Invitation to Communion**

P: God's love is poured out in Christ for you. Open yourselves to receive it.

## **Communion Distribution**

### **Communion Songs**

“Jesus, Friend of Sinners” by Casting Crowns

“Start a Fire” by Unspoken

### **Blessing**

**P:** The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **A: Amen.**

**P:** The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **A: Amen.**

**P:** The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever. **A: Amen.**

### **Sending Song: ELW 685, Take My Life, that I May Be (Next Page)**

#### **Sending**

**P:** With faith renewed, hope restored, and loved revived, we go,

**A: to invite every generation on a shared journey to Christian growth.**

## Take My Life, That I May Be

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems. The first system has a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is simple, with notes corresponding to the lyrics. The piano accompaniment is in the bass clef, using block chords. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line in each system.

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 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.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.