



Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Romans 7:25

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 9, 2023 • 10:30AM

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Jan McCanless, Stan McConnell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “Partita on ‘Praise to the Lord, the Almighty’”

David Lasky

The Ten Commandments *Please stand.*

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

¹You shall have no other gods before me.

**²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**

**³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**

**⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**

⁵You shall not kill.

⁶You shall not commit adultery.

⁷You shall not steal.

**⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**

**⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor’s house.**

**¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

Confession and Absolution

Hymn: “How Great Thou Art”

Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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

And also with you.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

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Leader:

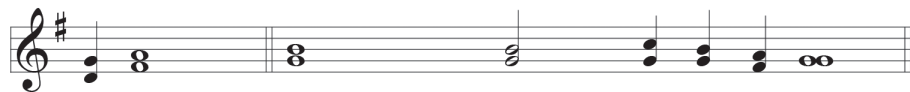


Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:



And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,



we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,



O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father: You take away the sin of the world, have mercy
on us. You take away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
You sit at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy on us.
For you are holy; you on - ly are the Lord; You only, O Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

O God, you never undermine your purpose, as you perfectly provide for all that you create. Remove from our way all that is harmful and give us what will profit, that we may share in your invincible grace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Please be seated.

A - men.

First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. ¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 145:1-15

¹I will exalt you, O | God my King,
and bless your name forev- | er and ever.

²**Every day | will I bless you
and praise your Name forev- | er and ever.**

³Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised;
there is no end | to his greatness.

⁴**One generation shall praise your works | to another
and shall de- | clare your power.**

⁵I will ponder the glorious splendor | of your majesty
and all your mar- | velous works.

⁶**They shall speak of the might of your | wondrous acts,
and I will tell | of your greatness.**

⁷They shall publish the remembrance of | your great goodness;
they shall sing of your | righteous deeds.

⁸**The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,
slow to anger and | of great kindness.**

⁹The LORD is loving to | everyone
and his compassion is over | all his works.

¹⁰**All your works praise | you, O LORD,
and your faithful | servants bless you.**

¹¹They make known the glory | of your kingdom
and speak | of your power;
¹²**That the peoples may know | of your power
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.**
¹³Your kingdom is an ever- | lasting kingdom;
your dominion endures through- | out all ages.
¹⁴**The LORD is faithful in | all his words
and merciful in | all his deeds.**
¹⁵The LORD upholds all | those who fall;
he lifts up those who | are bowed down.

Second Lesson: Romans 7:14-25a

¹⁴We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good.

¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! . . .

The word of the Lord.

Offering

Anthem: “Come, Let Us Sing”

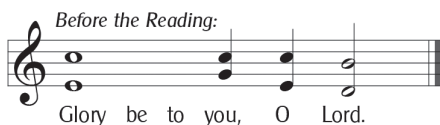
Solo, Stan McConnell

Gospel Acclamation *Please stand for the Gospel.*

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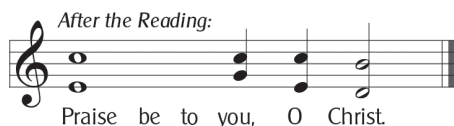
The Gospel is written in the 11th chapter of Matthew.



Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

²⁵Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

The Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

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**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at
the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Children's Chat

Sermon: "Beasts with Burdens"

Pastor Carl Haynes

Hymn: "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:
Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen

Exhortation

Leader *Congregation*

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit - it

Leader

Lift up your hearts.

Congregation

We lift them to the Lord.

Leader

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, our Lord and Savior, who ascending above the heavens and sitting at your right hand, poured out the Holy Spirit upon the chosen disciples as he had promised, causing the whole earth to rejoice.

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you, and saying:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r 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.

The Lord's Prayer

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹**hallowed be thy name,**

²**thy kingdom come,**

³**thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

⁴**Give us this day our daily bread;**

⁵**and forgive us our trespasses,**

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

⁶**and lead us not into temptation,**

⁷**but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen

Words of Institution

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Agnus Dei

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O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin
of the world, have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world,
grant us peace. A - - - - - men.

Distribution of Communion

Remain seated after the distribution.

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May the body and precious blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Nunc Dimittus

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,
As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Thanksgiving

We thank and praise you, almighty and loving Father, for feeding us with the body and blood of your beloved son, Jesus Christ. Having received this holy Sacrament with our mouths, may our faith in you apprehend and enjoy your grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ and his Church, and everlasting life. Send your Holy Spirit to remind us of these promises throughout the week, and keep us in the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benedicamus

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Leader: *Congregation:*

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Leader: *Congregation:*

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Italian Hymn"

Albert Travis

We remain seated, worshiping silently during the postlude, standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross, now at the rear of the sanctuary.

Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.



We are grateful to have Pastor Carl Haynes
as our guest preacher today and next Sunday.

Thank you, Pastor Haynes.

HVAC Fan Unit Repair

Repair has begun on the HVAC units for the education building. Because of the extreme heat, and no definite completion date on the repairs, the building will not be in use until further notice. *Sunday School classes will not be meeting until the a/c is restored.*

Committee meetings scheduled in the conference room today have changed. **Lutheran Women's quarterly** meeting will meet in the chapel. The **Christian Education committee** will meet following worship in the sanctuary.

Recent prayer needs:

- Rowena Atagi-Stone (friend of Autumn Hill) – Recovering from surgery
- Betty Camerlin – Recovering at home from a fall
- Edna Chapman – Recovering at home
- Shirley Clark – Recovering from surgery
- Sandy Corley – Health concerns
- Grady Earnhardt – Recovering at home
- Terry Eller – Recovering at home
- Della Jenkins – Recovering at home
- Beth Kalbfus (Susan Ryman's sister) – health concerns
- Ray Mongold (son of Dottie Stancil) – Home
- Lisa Phelps – Recovering at home
- Jeff Powlas – Recovering at home
- Terri Powlas – Recovering at home
- Tommy Rabon (Sandy Corley's brother) – health concerns

Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs for members, homebound, family, and friends.

Sunday, July 9

- Grace Ridenhour Circle meets following worship in the parlor
- Christian Education Committee, following worship in the pulpit side transept
- Worship & Music Committee, 3pm
- Lutheran Womens Quarterly meeting, 5pm
- No Vespers

Monday, July 10

- No Outreach Committee due to A/C repairs

Tuesday, July 11

- Bonnie Bost Circle will eat out for supper.
- Executive Committee, 7pm

Wednesday, July 12

- Adult Choir practice, 6:30pm

Thursday, July 13

- No Bible Study tonight

Friendship Club Reminder

Please sign up for July 18th lunch at Cracker Barrel by July 15th. Helen Gordon will need a head count for the restaurant.

If you haven't already signed up for the August 15, and September 19, day trips **please do so today** (Sunday, July 9th.) After today, the trips will be offered to another church and admission will be on a first-comefirst-serve basis.

After-School Program for Faith Academy Charter School

It is time to start thinking about our **Monday-only Afterschool Program** starting back up in August. As long as our volunteers from last year are willing to come back, or some others want to volunteer, we can keep the program going. The volunteers from last school year were Gina Barringer, Louise Eller, Libby Bingham, Lisa Monroe, Dana Bost, Terri Powlas, Ben and Susan Bernhardt, Larry and Tricia Clark, and last but not least, Pastor Ryman, our ring leader. Some volunteers came each week, and others just once a month. The commitment is for about 2 hours on Mondays from 1:00-3:00pm.

The bus stops at the church around 1pm, and the parents pick up their kids at 3pm. Mondays are early-release days for the school so the teachers can have a meeting. We provide Bible Study, outside time, craft time, and of course, snack time. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering again this year so I can make plans with FACS to continue this program. Contact Susan Bernhardt (704-637-0155), srbernhardt@carolina.rr.com

Stewardship

General Fund Offering (7/2)	\$6,859
Other Offering (7/2).....	\$12,014
Children's Mission (3rd qtr. St. Paul Lutheran Seminary).....	\$142.50
Sunday School Attendance (7/2).....	64
Worship Attendance (7/2).....	187
General Fund YTD Receipts as of (7/2)..	\$215,378
General Fund YTD Budget as of (7/2)	\$260,587

Rest for Your Souls

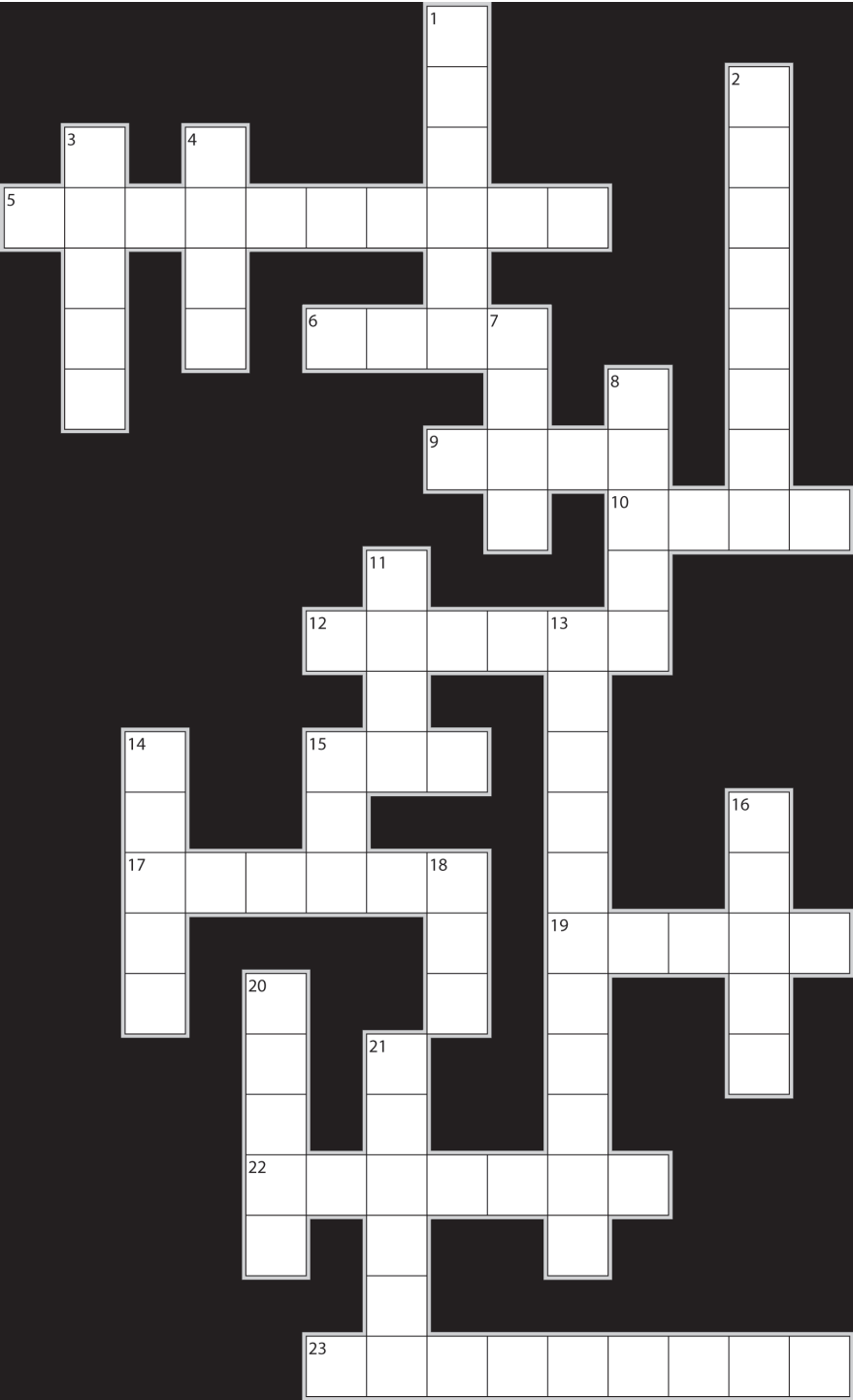
Find the 29 bold words from Matthew 11:25–30.

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L F U E X H A U S T E D Q M L

On that occasion **Jesus** answered and said, “I **thank** you, Father, **Lord** of **heaven** and **earth**, that you have **hidden** these things from the **wise** and **understanding**, and have **revealed** them to **infants**. Yes, Father, for so it was your **goodwill**. All things have been **passed** on to me by my Father, and no one **knows** the **Son** except the Father. Neither does anyone know the Father except the Son—and to whoever the Son decides to reveal him. **Come** to me, all you who are **exhausted** and **burdened**, and I will **give** you **rest**. Take my **yoke** upon you, and **learn** from me—for I am **meek** and **humble** of **heart**—and you will find rest for your **souls**. For my yoke is **easy**, and my **burden** is **light**.

Unscramble the verse:

Royu ignomdk si na nivgaelesrt mikgodn.



Pentecost 6A

*Find the answers in today's four Scripture lessons.
It may help with the Psalm if you use the English Standard Version
instead of the old Psalter in the bulletin.*

ACROSS

5. Who should come to Jesus (two words)
6. Who is coming to us?
9. We are prisoners of this.
10. Jesus would give this to you.
12. Our humble king is seated on him.
15. The king's rule will extend from sea to...
17. They shall bless the Lord.
19. The Lord is slow about this.
22. Paul didn't understand them.
23. This attribute of God is unsearchable.

DOWN

1. It's light.
2. One of the things the Lord is
3. What will the king speak to the nations?
4. It lies close at hand.
7. We don't do this thing that we want to do.
8. This covers all the Lord has made.
11. It's easy.
13. God's kingdom is...
14. Who will deliver us from these bodies of death?
15. We are sold under this.
16. Nothing good dwells in us, that is, in our...
18. The one who knows the Father
20. Whom has God bent like a bow?
21. The Lord of heaven and earth



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Next Sunday's Lessons: Isaiah 55:10-13; Psalm 65:1-14; Romans 8:12-17; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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