

**THE 22nd SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

*“Go,” said Jesus, “your faith
has healed you.” Immediately
he received his sight and
followed Jesus along the road.*

Mark 10:52

October 24, 2021

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As We Gather:

Today we hear of Jesus healing Bartimaeus, a blind man. The metaphor of physical blindness speaks of the spiritual blindness that we with the first disciples need to confront, namely, sin, our separation and alienation from God. True faith sees our ultimate healing only through the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Faith follows after Jesus through the cross.

Silent Prayer Before Worship:

O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 819 [No TLH]

"Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good"



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -
3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy
5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood
hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness
glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our
And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and
A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:
praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:
from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!
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Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, begging Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession of Sins

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Forgiveness of Sins

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray.

C We come singing for joy, LORD. We praise You – simply put – for all the goodness in this world. We thank You for the leaves that turn such beautiful colors this time of year...for the innocent cries from our “little ones”... for the wonderful truth that love really does conquer hatred, even though it often takes time. We pray, Jesus, in Your most holy name. Amen!

The Old Testament Reading, Jeremiah 31:7-9 (NIV)

This is what the Lord says: “Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Make your praises heard, and say, ‘Lord, save Your people, the remnant of Israel.’”

See, I will bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the ends of the earth. Among them will be the blind and the lame, expectant mothers and women in labor; a great throng will return. They will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back.

I will lead them beside streams of water on a level path where they will not stumble, because I am Israel’s father, and Ephraim is My firstborn son.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 (NIV)

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dreamed. Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy.

Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.

Restore our fortunes, Lord, like streams in the Negev. Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy. Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Choir, "If Ye Love Me" by Thomas Tallis

The Gospel Reading, Mark 10:46-52 (NIV)

P The Gospel according to Mark:

C **Glory be to You, O Lord.**

As Jesus and His disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving [Jericho], a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

"What do you want Me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

P This is the blessed Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Sermon Hymn, LSB 814, TLH 27

"O Bless the Lord, My Soul"



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;
4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.
He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

5 He fills the poor with good;

He gives the sufferers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud
And justice for th'oppressed. ►
6 His wondrous works and ways
 He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
 By His beloved Son.

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Sermon, "A Small Loud Voice"

"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." – Mark 10:52a

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Benediction (NIV)

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn His face toward you and T give you peace.

C Amen.

Hymn to Depart, LSB 842 [No TLH)

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
Free-ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.

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Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voters Meeting

A voters meeting (continued from last week) will follow the worship service today.

Numbers from Last Sunday

The attendance on 10/17 was 50. The total offering was \$4,244 including \$1,100 to the Capital/Building Fund , \$100 to Trinity First and \$100 to Synod.

Prayer Requests

Keep Harold and Evelyn Sand in your prayers.

Sunday Treats

A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Family Room. Sign-up if you are willing to furnish treats to go along with our refreshments. Either home-made or store-bought is fine. See Judy Sorenson for more details. No one is signed up for Oct 31!

Celebrations this Week

- Happy Birthday to Diane Reyes (10/29).
- Happy Anniversary to Gerald and Carol Rusk (10/30).

Suicide Prevention Lifeline

We are all use to calling 9-1-1 in an emergency. Beginning October 24, the FCC has established the Suicide Prevention Lifeline which will be 9-8-8.



Socktober Update

- Good news! The current sock drive total is **196** pairs!!! We have shot past the original goal of 100.
- In past years the Pillar of Warmth and Love has provided between 150 and 200 items to keep the local community warm, so let's keep going and see if we can reach a new goal of 200 pairs (or more!) and keep the pillar full all winter.
- This is a wonderful opportunity for us at Holy Cross to help others, share God's love and invite neighbors to worship with us via the pillar at the entry to our church. Consider donating some warm socks to help with this outreach.
- A collection tote is located in the church Narthex. Monetary donations designated for the sock drive can be placed in the offering or use the online offering link on the holycrossmpls.org website.
- New or gently used hats, scarves, gloves and mittens are also welcome.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS

Free tickets to the Minneapolis Gift and Art Expo are on the table in the narthex. The Expo is at the Minneapolis Convention Center on November 5-7. The website is www.GiftandArtExpo.com. Masks are required.

Serving Today, October 24

October Altar Guild: Linda Scanlon
October Deacon: Lyle Horrmann
Choir Director: David Hinrichs
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot
Counter: Lynn Oolman
Lector: Steve Blomberg
Organist: Julie Wright
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger
Recorder: James Blomberg
Treats: Mike and Becky Dennis
Ushers: Adam Horrmann & Lyle Horrmann

*Thank
you!*

Serving Next Sunday, October 31

October Altar Guild: Linda Scanlon
October Deacon: Lyle Horrmann
Choir Director: David Hinrichs
Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot
Counter: Keith & Mary Lange
Lector: Andy Tatham
Organist: Julie Wright
Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger
Recorder: James Blomberg
Treats: Needed!
Ushers: Keith Lange & Tim Phelon

THANK *You*
IN APPRECIATION OF YOU, AND ALL THAT YOU DO.