SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - 23RD PENTECOST

Prelude

Welcome | Call to Worship

Pastor: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

Congregation: ... his steadfast love endures forever. (Psalm 136:1)

Brief Order of Confession

Pastor: My friends, in Jesus Christ we have a Lord who knows us and understands the challenges we face. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find the strength we need to move forward in faith. (Hebrews 4)

... silence for reflection...

Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we often dismiss the faith that lives within us and wander away from the truth. We are quick to use the gifts of creation without care or concern for those yet to come. We often ignore the struggles, loneliness and vulnerability of others in favor of our own wants and desires. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: God who is rich in mercy has revealed his love for us in Jesus Christ. We no longer stand separated from God, but in Christ we receive forgiveness and by the Holy Spirit we are strengthened by his presence. Your sins are forgiven in the name of Jesus.

Congregation: Thanks be to God! | ALL: Amen

Gathering Song - "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" (ELW #618)

Greeting

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

Congregation: And also with you.

Hymn of Praise - "O Christ, Our Hope" (ELW #604, v. 1, 5)

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through what is temporary without losing what is eternal, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Congregation: Amen

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Children's Message

First Reading - 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Gospel Acclamation - "Christ, Be Our Light" (ELW #715, refrain only)

Gospel - Luke 21:5-19

Message - Pr. Jeff Frohner

Hymn of the Day - "If You But Trust In God To Guide You" (ELW #769, v. 1-3)

Apostles' Creed | Prayers of the People

Pastor: Lord in your mercy... Congregation: Hear our prayer.

Sharing the Peace | Thanksgiving for Offerings | I.G.N.I.T.E.

Holy Communion | Words of Institution | Lord's Prayer

All: 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

Communion Blessing

Pastor: Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you now and for life everlasting.

Congregation: Amen

Canticle - "How Firm a Foundation" (ELW #796 vs. 1-2)

Announcements | Benediction

Sending Song - "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Else" (ELW #597)

Dismissal

Pastor: "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Congregation: And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'"

Postlude

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY!

Worship Team: Pastor Jeff Frohner, Pastor Nate Montover Cantor: Jon Lovseth | Organ & Piano: Matthew Lang Greeters: Jen Horton, Gloria Hoth | Ushers: Mike Dryden, Jim Dettbarn **Tech Team:** Evelyn & Les Beck, Ralph Kendrick | **Nursery:** Jennifer McGowan Café Hosts: Mary Jo & Roger Carlson, Kent Stock | Donut Runner: Brett & Brynn Merck **Counters:** Alan Garlow, Joan Collins, Evelyn Beck, Luann Byerly

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Gathering Song "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer"

Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain where the healing waters flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, shield me with your mighty arm, shield me with your mighty arm.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.

Songs and praises, songs and praises I will raise forevermore, I will raise forevermore.

Hymn of Praise "O CHRIST, OUR HOPE"

O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire creation's mighty Lord, redeemer of the fallen world, by holy love outpoured, by holy love outpoured:

All praise to you, ascended Lord; all glory ever be to Father, Son, and Spirit blest through all eternity, through all eternity!

Gospel Acclamation
"CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT"

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

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Hymn of the Day "IF YOU BUT TRUST IN GOD TO GUIDE YOU"

If you but trust in God to guide you with gentle hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there beside you when crosses come, in trying days. Trust then in God's unchanging love; build on the rock that will not move.

What gain is there in anxious weeping, in helpless anger and distress? If you are in your Savior's keeping, in sorrow will he love you less? For Christ who took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev'ry loss.

The Lord our restless hearts is holding, in peace and quietness content. We rest in God's good will unfolding, what wisdom from on high has sent. God, who has chosen us by grace, knows very well the fears we face.

Canticle "How Firm a Foundation"

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word! What more can he say than to you he has said who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

Sending Song "MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING ELSE"

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

chorus:

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

~ chorus ~

His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood; when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay.

~ chorus ~

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found, clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne!

~ chorus ~