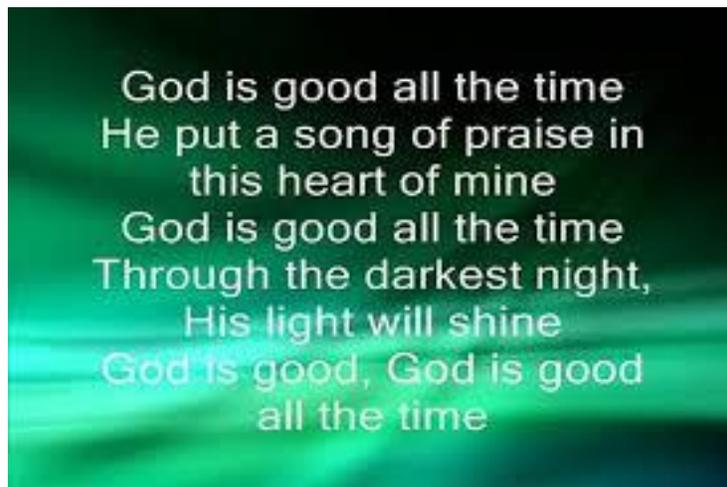


Our Savior Lutheran Church
Stewardship Month – October!
October 3, 2021 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Thought: *A worship tradition always starts with: L: God is good; and the C: All the time. Then L: All the time; and the C: God is good. By grace and gratitude this is how we live. On our BEST days, we believe this. On our WORST days, we doubt it. Most of life is lived somewhere between the two extremes. Like most Affirmations of Faith, we profess it on the good days so that we can claim it on the bad days. Stewardship is the reality of our response.*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns

Stewardship Response:

A: God is Good
C: All the time.
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Take My Life and Let It Be – THENBA

<https://youtu.be/Gf11rReeWIs>

ELW # 685 – Lillian Pinkston

Vs 1 Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise

Focus: Vs 2 Take my hand and let them move at the impulse of they love; take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Scripture:

Jeremiah 18:4 The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Romans 9:20 But who indeed are you, a human being, to argue with God? Will what is molded say to the one who molds it, "Why have you made me like this?"

Thought – made in God's image in His likeness we are made!

Opening Hymn

<https://youtu.be/mV6DU4LiGYQ>

This Is My Father's World – David Hanson

ELW #824 – Lillian Pinkston

*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.*

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!*

Invocation

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness

P: Gracious God, whose love is beyond our understanding, forgive us for taking our relationships too lightly,

A time of silence for reflection

for treating those close to us with coldness, for treating the stranger with contempt.

C: We have not loved wholeheartedly; we have not guarded our words as we should; we have refused to let the interests of others interfere with our self-interest.

P: Teach us through the example of Jesus how to love, how to share, how to be in community with others.

C: Amen.

Greeting

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.

Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

For the people of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen and Amen!

Hymn of Praise

<https://youtu.be/T3l4cO9CCSM>

Blest Be the Tie That Binds – Fountainview Academy

Prayer of the Day

A: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another.

C: Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Word
Old Testament reading – Genesis 2:18-24

Created in God's image and likeness to provide companionship and community

¹⁸The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8

You crown us with glory and honor

¹O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all
the earth!

**²you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the
mouths of infants and children;**

**you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to
silence the foe and avenger.**

³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

**⁴what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should | care for them?**

⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.

**⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

⁷all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,

**⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

⁹O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Epistle reading – Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

*Jesus became one with us to live out our humanity and show
God's love in gifting salvation*

¹Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

^{2:5}Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of

the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, “I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel – Mark 10:2-16

<https://youtu.be/TR8rK4nBZQM>

Women and children are accepted and valued...do not suffer the little ones to come to me

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you O Lord.**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh.

⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Gospel of The Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children’s Time

<https://youtu.be/recyA1JAjb0>

Homily – “For Your Hardness of Heart”

<https://youtu.be/4cvLwvVRkts>

Hymn of the Day

<https://youtu.be/js8RtT0mJpc>

All Are Welcome – Dan Loyola by Marty Haugen

ELW #641 – Lillian Pinkston

*1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:*

Refrain

*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

4 *Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: **Refrain***

Prayers of Intercession

P: Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: You desire for us not to be alone and to live in community with one another. Strengthen relationships between nations and peoples, that we celebrate and support one human family. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You share in our experiences and struggles. Bless all who live with any mental or physical disability. Inspire creative communities, spaces, and environments that are accessible and hospitable. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You have established and nurtured relationships that extend beyond those gathered here today. Bless members who can no longer travel to worship with us (*especially*) and remind us of their continued role in this community of faith. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: You promise eternal life to all your children. Thank you for the people of faith who have gone before us. Strengthen our trust we have in you. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Blessing of Prayer Shawls

Offering – A time of silence and prayer

Offertory Prayer

A: Heavenly Father, you have called us to be family.

C: Make us a strong family...a loving family.

A: Accept these gifts.

C: They are the praise of your children...your family.

A: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

Lamb of God – Mass Song

<https://youtu.be/LcgpnvQPoaQ>

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Distribution

Communion Music – Lillian Pinkston

OR

<https://youtu.be/dEJSJskgcb0>

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly – St. Columbia Singers

Post Communion Blessing – Pastor

Post Communion Prayer

A: Bind us together, O Christ, at this table,

C: in this place,

A: throughout the world.

C: Bind us together as family.

A: You are the Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

Benediction – Numbers 6

Sending Hymn

<https://youtu.be/GG8hzY1OoM4>

In Christ There Is No East or West – Chris Brunelle

ELW #650 – Lillian Pinkston

1 *In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one community of love
throughout the whole wide earth.*

3 *Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.*

Dismissal

A: Help us to see with the eyes of Christ that we receive others
as children as we are all children of God.

C: **We go to serve with hearts open.**

Postlude

