



**How hard it
will be for
those who have
wealth
to enter the
kingdom of God!**

Mark 10.23

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

October 14, 2018 | 10:00 am

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Welcome to God's House today!!!

A special welcome to visitors and guests; we are pleased that you have joined us today! If you have no church family, and if we can be of any help to you, please speak with the pastor after the service. We invite all guests to sign the Guest Register. We pray you will feel God's love for you and be empowered to live as God's child this week.

Today's Focus What must I do to inherit eternal life? If the question were can I inherit eternal life by what I do, we would quickly answer, no. Yet, wealth and the love of wealth is a danger to our relationship with God. If a hand, foot or eye should be sacrificed for the sake of eternal life, how much more willingly we should sacrifice the wealth God has trusted us with to be used for His purposes. Nothing that we have is ours, it all belongs to God! We are only the custodians and stewards of whatever passes through our hands. If we use it for our comfort and pleasure, and others suffer because of our selfishness, then we will be judged to be wicked slaves, unworthy of the favor of God.

Children are welcome in worship! If childcare is needed, an unattended nursery is open during worship services. It is located across from the restrooms next to the Church Offices.

Is there something you'd like us to pray for today? "Prayer Request" cards are in each pew. Please hand your request to an usher before the service or during the offering. They will give them to the pastor to include in the prayers for today.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. We joyfully share our conviction that this is The Lord's Table. We receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, together with the bread and wine in a manner our human reason cannot understand. (Real Presence) By communing together with our Lord:

- we express the belief that Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Man;
- that Jesus is our Savior and only way for salvation;
- that Jesus offers us His Body and Blood in a mysterious yet real way;
- that Christ's sacrificial death grants the forgiveness of our sins;
- and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a more godly; life and to amend with the help of the Holy Spirit, those areas not in conformity with God's will.

We declare these statements because it is our concern for people to not be hypocritical between their faith and celebrate the blessings of God's Table at the Altar. Persons unable to approach the Altar may be communed in the pew, please notify the Pastor or Elder if you wish this service.

The white wine is denatured (alcohol removed)

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AS WE GATHER

All people are seekers. All seek God in one way or another. Some, like the man in today's Gospel, seek validation of their own righteousness, denying their sin. Some, like the people Amos writes about, seek godliness by religious ritual. Today's Epistle reminds us that God too is a seeker. God sought us out when we were yet sinners. If we seek our own righteousness, we will never lay claim to it. Instead, the Holy Spirit guides us to seek the righteousness of Christ, because God in Christ is seeking us.

✠ WE ENTER TO WORSHIP AND BE BLESSED ✠

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP "By Faith" *K & K Getty, S Townsend*

INVOCATION

(LSB 203)

INTROIT

Psalm 34

PRAYER OF THE DAY

✠ THE LORD COMES TO US IN HIS WORD ✠

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 5:6-7, 10-15* **ESV**

EPISTLE READING *Hebrews 3:12-19* **ESV**

GOSPEL SOLO "I Believe" *K Christopherson*

GOSPEL READING *Mark 10:17-27* **ESV**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

HYMN OF THE DAY "Grace Alone" *Brown/Nelson*

SERMON "A Treasure Who Cares For You" *Mark 10:21-22*

✠ OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD ✠

OFFERTORY "Create in Me" *Mary Rice Hopkins*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

OFFERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE *2 Corinthians 8:3,5*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Pass It On" *Kurt Kaiser*

+ Silent Prayer +

ANNOUNCEMENTS/POSTLUDE

✠ WE DEPART TO SERVE ✠

**TODAY is Fellowship Sunday, please join us.
Hosted by Lil Troiden, Diane Volner, Deb Panning**

TODAY'S LUTHERAN HOUR

October 14 "We Will Not Fear" (Psalm 46)

Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann

Dr. Oswald Hoffmann says, "Fear is a fact of life ... but faith in God harnesses fear and points it in the right direction."

NEXT WEEK ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR

**October 21 "We Preach Christ Crucified"
(1 Corinthians 1:23-24)**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann

In a classic message from 1955, Dr. Oswald Hoffmann talks about all the things that change-and the God Who doesn't.

On Sunday mornings, listen on 830 AM WCCO AM at 6:05 am, or 1110 AM, Omaha, at 6:30 am, or XM 170 Satellite Radio on Sundays at noon or listen anytime at www.lutheranhour.org

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE: October 14 "Look at your infancy and give thought to whether you remember that you were in your mother's womb, that you lay in a cradle, that you sucked your mother's breasts, cried, ate pap, grew, etc. Yet we are certainly alive even during the first year, when the fetus is carried in the mother's womb." *Martin Luther (LW 5:75)*

• www.lutheransforlife.org

STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 14 (Proper 23) Hebrews 3:18-19 –
"And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief." Unbelief leads to disobedience – that is, every sin expresses the opposite of faith. True and living faith guides us into the Lord's way and the Lord's plan. And when we fall into sin it's because we are not trusting the Lord's goodness and provision.



BIRTHDAYS: 15th Minh Phan, 17th Britney Betterman

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ETERNAL CANDLE: None

FLOWERS: None

PRAYER CONCERNS

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS Jean Brede, Karmon Christopherson,
Millie Demcho, Millie Eckhardt, Deb Forsberg, Robert & Delores
Kluwe, Lorriane Niemela, Nanc Rixe, Ada Samson

IN OUR EXTENDED PRAYERS

Henry Joseph Betterman (Layne's Grand-Nephew) born Aug 26

He is now experiencing Supraventricular tachycardia (SVT)
(abnormal heart rhythm) and is in the hospital.

Larry Derksen (Shirley's brother) – recovery from surgery

Lewis & Vera Gade (Pastor's parents) COPD/dementia

John Gillund (Patty & Meridel's brother) medical issues

Dick Gillund (Patty & Meridel's brother) medical issues

Elaine Gillund – surgery and radiation

Roxie Johnson (Morelli's niece) heart issues

Steve Kaiser (friend of Patty Lyrenmann's brother) – COPD

Jack Olson (brother-in-law to Meridel and Patty) former member
of Gloria Dei, complications of kidney failure after heart surgery

Mary Phillips and Dan Crocker – Chronic Illness

Doris Rixe, (Nanc's mother) – heart valve issues

Jimmy Royal & Dave (friends of Dick Gillund)

NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after 8 weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another 8 weeks, please contact the church office.

Those Battling Cancer

Lynn & Edith Engel (friends of Sandy & Bob Bauer) Radiation

Amy Price (Morelli's niece) – treatments for stage 4 cancer

Marvin & Norma Thor – poor health/stomach cancer

Nancy Tousant (Krystal Kruse's co-worker) – Cancer

Those Serving our Country in Dangerous Areas

"IN OUR PRAYERS" AND "REQUESTED PRAYERS"

If you have family members or friends who require our prayers, please use the prayer request cards found in the pews or at the Ushers' counter and give to the office. They will be added to the Prayer list. Any updates to the current list?

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

10/14 Sun	Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
	8:45 am Education Hour
	10:00 am Worship
	11:00 am Fellowship
	6:00 pm NA
10/15 Mon	6:30 pm AIAnon 1
	8:00 pm AA/AIAnon 2
10/16 Tues	Noon – 3pm District (Pastor’s Learning Group)
	6:30 pm Council Meeting
10/17 Wed	10:00 am Bible Study
10/18 Thurs	11:30 am Pastor Appreciation Lunch
10/19 Fri	5:00 pm TLWCC Music Practice
	8:00 pm AA/AIAnon
10/20 Sat	10:00 am TLWCC Worship
	6:00 pm TLWCC Worship & Fellowship
10/21 Sun	Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
	8:45 am Education Hour
	10:00 am Worship w/HC
	6:00 pm NA

SERVING TODAY

Elder: Karmon Christopherson

Ushers: Sandy Westling and Tom Harris

Counters: Bill Woll and Gwen Johnson

Altar Care: Sandy Westling

Attendance: 10/07/2018: 29

Offerings -- Regular \$3,491; Loose Plate \$20; Kitchen

\$150; Rental \$1,110, Street Repair \$25; Other \$558.95;

Harris Memorial \$435

Total: \$5,789.95

Needed each week for 2018: \$3,480.87

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

Everyone is invited to lunch to show our appreciation for

Pastor Gade. Lunch is scheduled for **Thursday,**

October 18th at 11:30 at Granite City, Roseville. If you can join us, there is a sign-up sheet on bulletin board in the lobby. Please bring money for lunch (+ tip) and a little extra to cover Pastor’s meal.

If you need more information, contact Verlayne.

Senior Community Services

NO COST Home Health & Safety Assessment: Let their trusted staff come in and assess your house, condo or townhouse for fall risks and minor repair work. Afterwards, you will receive a report with practical steps you can take to reduce falls and make your home safer. Their team of handypersons can work with you to complete needed repairs and safety improvements. Be proactive and call 952-746-4046 to request an assessment or email home@seniorcommunity.org today.

What does it cost? We welcome those 60 and older of any income level. We have clients that pay the full cost of the service but we are also able to offer services based on a sliding fee scale. This means seniors contribute to the cost of the service based on their monthly income and ability to pay. The HOME Program may accept some insurance payments, Elderly Waiver or the Alternative Care Grant for some of our services. Caregivers can also pay for the services provided.

How do I get started? You must complete the registration materials to receive services. For program details, please contact 952-746-4046 or [email](#). They are happy to help.

Elder Law Clinic | Saturday, Oct 27, 10:00 am -2:00 pm

During East Side's Elder Law Clinic, older adults can meet with an attorney for a half-hour consultation at no charge. Appointments begin at 10:00 am and end at 2:00 pm the last Saturday of the month. To make an appointment, call 612-781-6011 or email ZDeVaughn-Clemons@esns.org.

Meet House District 41B candidates October 24 @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

The St. Anthony Village Area Chamber of Commerce will have a Candidate Forum/Meet & Greet with House District 41B candidates Mary Kunesh-Podein and Tim Utz, **Wednesday, Oct. 24, 6:30-8 pm**, in the **St. Anthony Village City Hall Council Chambers, 3301 Silver Lake Road. The meet and greet will be 6:30-7 pm, and the forum will be 7-8 pm. The event is free and open to the public.** The Chamber asks residents of House District 41B to submit up to three questions for candidates before Monday, Oct 15. Mail questions to St. Anthony Area Chamber of Commerce, 3301 Silver Lake Road, St. Anthony, MN 55418; submit online at <https://goo.gl/forms/xWNI9U5FifKXRcyX2>; or email to executivedirector@saintanthonychamber.org.

Event to Help the Homeless Connect to Resources

October 25 @ 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

The Heading Home Anoka Housing Collaborative is hosting an event to help the homeless: Anoka Community Connect: Building Opportunities, Strengthening Communities. The event will be 10 am-6 pm, Thursday, Oct. 25 at the Church of St. Timothy, 707 89th Ave. NE, Blaine. The goal of Anoka Community Connect is to provide 100 guests who may be struggling with homelessness, or are precariously housed, the opportunity to be connected to resources and services they need to thrive. Haircuts, wellness checks, resume building, application assistance for benefits and childcare, and a job fair where employers will hire people on the spot are some of the services that will be offered.

The Salvation Army and other partners will provide transportation to the event. Stops will be made around the county at public buildings to ensure everyone who wants to attend has a way to get to the event. Visit anokacommunityconnect.weebly.com for more information on Anoka Community Connect or to **sign up as a volunteer. People who volunteer at this event can help with setup or takedown, direct traffic, greet visitors, help attendees through the event, provide childcare, hand out box lunches and aid with general cleanup.**

Wellness Wednesday - Cooking for One - Oct 31, 1-2 pm

1717 2nd Street NE (Across from East Side's main building)

What are the benefits of cooking at home for yourself?

What are the challenges? We will have tips and recipes to help you stay motivated. Join the conversation and sample a dish you can make at home. To register, call 612-787-4045 or email TeamEVA@esns.org. The cost is based on ability to pay.

A Caregiver / Loved One Support Group

Tuesday, October 16, 3:00-4:30 pm

East Side Neighborhood Services is hosting a Caregiver Support Group at Friendship Center, 1717 2nd Street NE (across the street from ESNS) for anyone serving as a Care Partner for a loved one. For more information and to register, please contact Linnea at 612-787-4045 or ltweed@esns.org.



Catechesis Note for the Week

Understanding the importance to why we are to "*Encourage One Another Daily*"

The apostle says in Hebrews 3:12-19, to these struggling Hebrew Christians: "***See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart.***" Then he defines the worst case of a sinful unbelieving heart when he says, "***A heart that turns away from the living God.***" And that's apparently what many of them were struggling with— the sin of unbelief— that would eventually cause them to turn away from, and abandon the living God— Jesus Christ. He had showed them an elaborate example from their own history of the results of what abandoning their faith in Christ Jesus would entail. God Almighty didn't spare their ancestors when they abandoned God in their unbelief. He swore they wouldn't enter his rest. In other words, they wouldn't be allowed into the promised land. But apparently, the sin of unbelief isn't a trivial problem that could be dealt with in one example from the past. It's such a grave problem that the apostle continued addressing it to reveal its seriousness and its dire consequences.

Read verse 13. "***But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.***" There is no prayer that a true Christian needs more often than "*Lord, protect my heart from being hardened*" and, "*Lord, don't let me be deceived by my own sin*". We have faith, but our faith needs to be strengthened and it needs to grow, otherwise it falters and weakens and falls prey to the enemies of our faith. That's why the apostle admonishes them and us in verse 12 saying: "***See to it***" as a warning that you don't find your faith being hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. Yes, we have faith and it's the most precious thing which the Lord our God had given to us. So it must be passionately guarded without fail. Without it we are nothing but human beings born in this world, enslaved by its ways and desires, and soon to die in it, only to face God's judgment.

Today's Scripture Readings

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15: The Lord warns us through the prophet Amos not to reject the call to repentance.

Hebrews 3:12-19: Unbelief is hardness of heart. The letter to the Hebrews warns us of such impenitence by citing the example of Old Testament Israel who was prevented from enjoying the Lord's salvation because of their unbelief.

Mark 10:17-22: God alone is good. Jesus teaches this great truth to the Rich Young Ruler who believes in his own righteousness. The young man came to Jesus with a question, "Good Teacher, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" His question tells us much about the man's faith. He not only believes that a person's good works are what save him; he also believes that the purpose of good works is to benefit the person who performs them. This is what makes works righteousness so evil: it is really only interested in serving itself. In other words, "if the good works I perform don't result in some benefit to me, then what is the point of doing them?" Jesus directs this man to the Law, not to confirm him in his works righteous faith, but to show him the reality of his self-centered love. When the young man continues to confess his "goodness"—believing that he had kept all of God's law from his youth—Jesus simply says, that there is one thing that he lacks: Christ. "Let go of everything else you might otherwise be tempted to trust in, including your own goodness, and follow Me, the only One who is truly good." Jesus is the only one who is good, not simply because He is God in human flesh (which he is), but because He loves—not for His own benefit, but for the benefit of us poor, undeserving sinners. The inheritance of salvation is only received by faith in Jesus, the only one who is good, because He suffered and died for our sins upon the cross.

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Eccl. 5:10-20; Ps.19:9-16; Heb. 4:1-13 (14-16); Mark 10:23-31