

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 26, 2025 9:00AM
Order of Worship
Worship For Life liturgy
(maroon Hymnal Supplement, located on shelf below the ELW large red hymnal)

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn- ELW #744 'Lord, Be Glorified'

'Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole' (Worship For Life folder)

Prayer of the Day-

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. Move us with mercy. Amen

(Prayer opening attributed to St. Francis of Assisi)

Hymn of Praise- 'Rise Up With Him' (Worship For Life folder)

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 NRSVUE

⁹ He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' ¹³ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other, for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Sermon- Guest Rev. Kurt Billings

Hymn of the Day- ELW #599 'Lord Jesus, Think on Me'

Prayers of the People- (response to '*Lord, in your Mercy*' is '*Hear our prayer.*'))

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Offertory Response- 'I Will Give Thanks to the Lord' (Worship For Life folder)

P: Let us pray.

All: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them as what we have to offer today and please move us with mercy to continue sharing our gifts with love. Amen.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution

Music during Distribution- 'This Do in Remembrance of Me' (Worship For Life folder)

Communion Hymn- ELW #592 'Just As I Am, Without One Plea'

Post Communion- 'You Are Lord' (Worship For Life folder)

Announcements

Benediction

Closing Hymn- 'Go Now'

Filled with the Holy Spirit. Go now with God, go now with God

Into the world as a servant. Go now with God, go now with God

(Chorus): Go now, go now, go now with God. Go now, go now, go now with God

Offering a hand to a stranger. Go now with God, go now with God

Trusting in the risen savior. Go now with God, go now with God *(Chorus)*

Waters of mercy have found us. Go now with God, go now with God

Grace on the journey surrounds us. Go now with God, go now with God *(Chorus)*

Crossing every boundary, every nation. Go now with God, go now with God

Dancing in the gift of liberation. Go now with God, go now with God *(Chorus)*

Dismissal

P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Musicians:

Sherry Johnson, Director of Music, sherry.johnson@explorepeace.org

Judy Hughes, Song Leader

Sherry Johnson, Pianist

Greeters: Craig & Jude Larson

Ushers: Kevin Arvold, Tom Wilson, Byron Dennison, Dave Taylor

Communion Assistants: Bob Gross, JoAnn Hoffman, Jan Dennison

Audio/Visual Team: The Walkes

Bread Bakers: Carolyn Niehoff, Jackie Erlandson, Paulette Emberson

Communion Setup: Mike and Carolyn Niehoff

Sunday Morning Hospitality Time (Coffee & Donuts): Kristin Benz & family

Pastoral Team:

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