

MESSIAH
LUTHERAN CHURCH
MADISON, ALABAMA

God's People. Reaching Out

October 16, 2022

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Good Morning and Welcome

Guests, we are glad you are here. Please fill out the yellow “Connection Card” in the pew and place in the offering. Sound Assistance and unattended nursery with audio available.

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Messiah Lutheran Church

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SERVICE of WORSHIP

Contemporary Service

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHERUB CHOIR: *Jesus Loves Me*

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another. Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen

*OPENING SONG: "God of This City"

#42

Am

1. You're the God of this ___ cit - y, ___ You're the King of these .

2

F

___ peo-ple, ___ You're the Lord of this ___ na - tion, ___ You are ___ You're the light in this .

5 Am

___ dark - ness, You're the hope to the ___ hope - less, You're the peace to the ___ rest - less, ___ You are .

8

PRE-CHORUS 1

F Am G² F² Am G²

___ There ___ is no one like ___ our ___ God ___ There ___ is no one like ___ You, .

12

CHORUS 1

F² G² F²

___ God. ___ Great - er things have yet to come and

15 G² C² G/B Am

great - er things have still to be done in this cit - y. _____

18 F² G² Am

INSTRUMENTAL

Great - er things have yet to come and great - er things have still to be done here. ___

21

2. You're the Lord of cre -

VERSE 2

24 Am

- a - tion, the Cre-a - tor of ___ all ___ things, You're the King a - bove ___ all ___ kings, ___ You are .

27 F Am

___ You're the strength in the ___ weak - ness, You're the love to the ___

29 F

___ bro - ken, You're the joy in the ___ sad - ness, ___ You are. ___

PRE-CHORUS 1

32 Am G² F² Am G² F²

There ___ is no one like ___ our ___ God ___ There ___ is no one like ___ You, ___ God ___

§ CHORUS 2

36 G² F² G²

Great - er things have yet to come and great - er things have still to be done in this

39 C² G/B Am F²

cit - y, ___ where glo - ry shines from hearts a - live with

(song continues next page ➡)

42 G² C G/B Am

praise for You and love for You in this cit - y. _____

CHORUS 1

45 F² G² C² G/B

Great - er things have yet to come and great - er things have still to be done in this cit - y. _____

2nd time to Coda ☉

48 Am Am/G F² G²

Great - er things have yet to come and great - er things have still to be done here. .

INSTRUMENTAL

51 Am

PRE-CHORUS 2

55 Am G² F² Am G² F²

There _ is no one like _ our _ God _ There _ is no one like _ our _ God _

59 Am G² F²

There _____ is no one like _____ You, _____ God. _____

61 Am G² F² G² D.S. al Coda

There _ is no one like _ You, _ God. _____

☉ Coda

ENDING

64 G² Am

great - er things have still to be done here. _

67 N.C.

*RESPONSIVE READING

I lift up my eyes to the hills:

From where is my help to come?

My help comes from the LORD,

The maker of heaven and earth.

The LORD will not let your foot be moved

Nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

Behold, the keeper of Israel

Will neither slumber nor sleep;

The LORD watches over you;

The LORD is your shade at your right hand;

The sun will not strike you by day,

Nor the moon by night.

The LORD will preserve you from all evil

And will keep your life.

The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,

From this time forth forevermore.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ⁴In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to

judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sarah Walker

SONG: "Cornerstone"

#56

VERSE 1

7 C F

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less, than Je - sus' blood and

10 G Am Am/G

right-eous-ness. I dare not trust the sweet-est frame,

13 F G 1. C 2. C C^{sus}

but whol-ly trust in Je - sus' Name. - sus' Name. -

CHORUS

17 C F Am G C/E F Am

Christ a - lone. Corn - er - stone. Weak made strong in the Sav - iour's love.

21 G C F Am G C

Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all.

§ **VERSE 2 & 3**

25 C

2. When dark-ness seems to hide His face,
3. When He shall come with trump-et sound,

28 F G Am

I rest on His un - chang-ing grace. In ev - 'ry high and
oh may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His right - eous -

2nd time to Coda ⊕

31 Am/G F G C F G 2nd time to Coda

storm-y gale, my an-chor holds with-in the veil. My an-chor holds with-in
-ness a-lone. Fault-less stand be-fore

CHORUS

35 C F Am G C/E
the veil. Christ a-lone. Corn-er-stone. Weak made

39 F Am G C F Am G
strong in the Sav-iour's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of

INTERLUDE

43 C Am F
all. He is Lord. Lord of all.

48 G C/E G C G
Christ a-Lord. Lord of all. Christ a-Lord. Lord of

53 C D.S. al Coda
Coda

57 C
the throne.

*THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:1-8

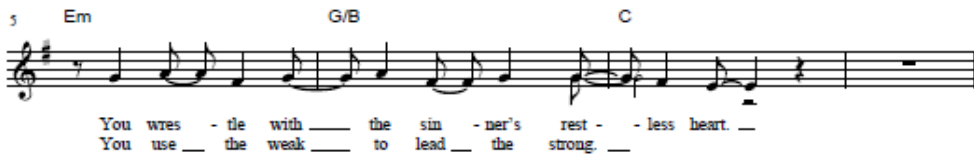
18Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

G G/B C



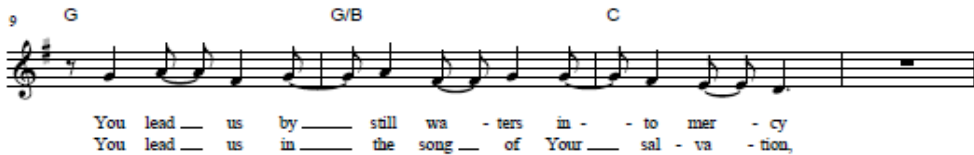
1. Great is Your faith-ful-ness, O God;
 2. Great is Your love and jus-tice, God of Ja-cob;

5 Em G/B C



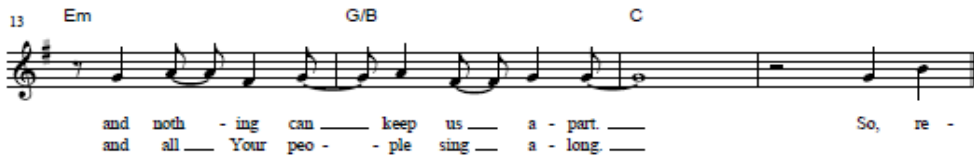
You wres-tle with the sin-ner's rest-less heart.
 You use the weak to lead the strong;

9 G G/B C



You lead us by still wa-ters in-to mer-cy
 You lead us in the song of Your sal-va-tion;

13 Em G/B C



and noth-ing can keep us a-part.
 and all Your peo-ple sing a-long. So, re-

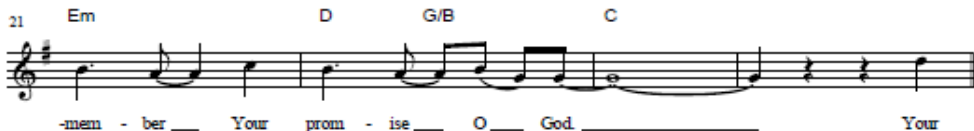
PRE-CHORUS

17 Am G/B Cmaj7 D



mem-ber Your peo-ple, re-mem-ber Your chil-dren, re-

21 Em D G/B C



mem-ber Your prom-ise O God. Your

CHORUS 1

25 G D Em7 C



grace is e-nough, Your grace is e-nough, Your

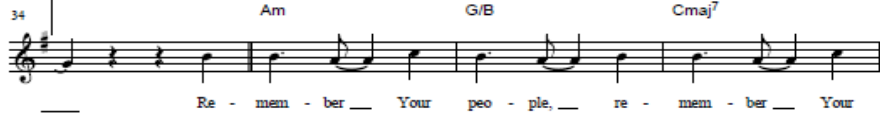
29 G D C



grace is e-nough, for me. Your

PRE-CHORUS

34 Am G/B Cmaj7



Re-mem-ber Your peo-ple, re-mem-ber Your

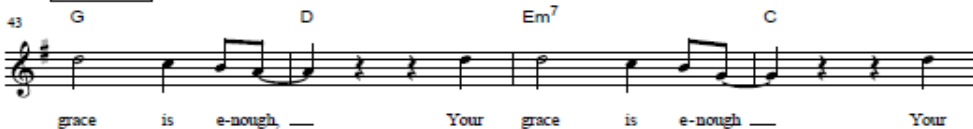
38 D Em D/F# G C



chil - dren, re - mem - ber Your prom - ise O God Your

CHORUS 1

43 G D Em⁷ C



grace is e-nough, Your grace is e-nough Your

47 G D C



grace is e-nough, for me Yeah, Your

CHORUS 2

51 G D Em⁷ C



grace is e-nough; heav - en reach - es out to us. Your
grace is e-nough; I'm cov - ered in Your love. Your

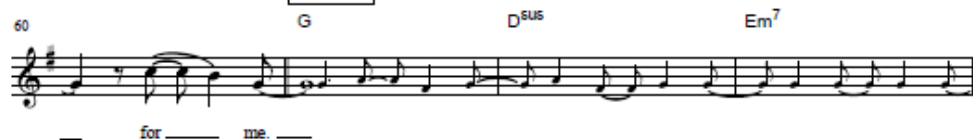
55 G D C C



grace is e-nough for me. God, I sing. Your
grace is e-nough for me.

ENDING

60 G D^{SUS} Em⁷

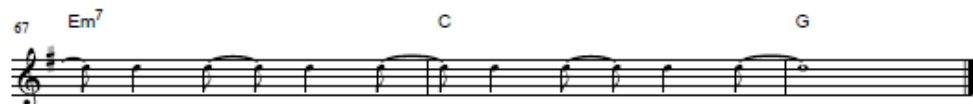


for me.

64 C G D^{SUS}



67 Em⁷ C G



***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.**

THE OFFERING

***OFFERING PRAYER**

Merciful God, everything in heaven and earth belongs to you. We joyfully release what you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to you, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen

***PRAYERS**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***THE 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

***BLESSING**

**Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen**

Dm C/D Dm B \flat C Dm

1. Your hand, O God, has guided Your Church from age to age, the
 (2. Your) mercy never fails us, or leaves Your work un-done; With

3 C Dm B \flat C F

3 tale of love is written for us on ev'ry page. Our And
 Your right hand to help us, the vic't'ry shall be won.

5 B \flat ^{2sus} Dm⁷ Dm² Gm¹¹ C

5 fa - thers knew Your good - ness, and we, Your works re - cord, and
 then with heav - en's an - gels Your name shall be a - dored, and

7 Dm Gm⁷ Am⁷ B \flat ^{2sus} C⁷

7 each of these bear wit - ness: One Church, one faith, one Lord. One
 they shall praise You, sing - ing: One Church, one faith, one Lord. One

9 F C B \flat ^{2sus}/D F B \flat F/A C

9 Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One Fa - ther, one Spir-it, one Christ. One

11 F C/F Dm⁷ F B \flat F/A

11 Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One heav - en - ly King, Lord of

13 Dm C/D Dm C/D 1. Dm C/D Dm C/D 2. Dm

13 all. 2. Your

THE DISMISSAL
 POSTLUDE

WE REMEMBER IN THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH TODAY

Redacted Content -- please refer to the Prayers of the Church portion of today's online service.

THE FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Kay & Tim Spence in celebration of Tim & Michael's birthdays, by Gary & Linda Heideman in celebration of granddaughter Hannah's birthday, and by Mike & Judy Kidd in memory of their son, Jon.

A NURSERY with audio is available through the double doors. Please check at the start of service if there is an attendant. Applicants or volunteers wishing to serve in this area are encouraged to call the office or contact Gary Heideman. Information is also on www.mlutheran.org

DONUT SUNDAY! Come enjoy coffee, tea, and donuts after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

WELCOME Bishop Strickland! He is preaching and presiding at both services. He will also lead a conversation between services about the ELCA in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your questions.

MLC'S HANDMADE MARKET concludes today in the Parish Hall. All sales support the three schools MLC sponsors through *Lunches for Learning* in Honduras. Come shop handmade crafts, jewelry, household décor, kitchen items, jams, and more. Sale is between services until 12:30 pm

2023 PLANNING for MISSION Commitment Cards are being collected again today. If you need a card, one is at the end of each pew. They may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the Church Office. *Thank you!* You may also complete this form securely online at the link <https://form.jotform.com/MLCmadison/mlc-plan-for-giving23> You can also scan the QR code.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION IS OCT 22 - from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. New Member Sunday is Sunday, Oct. 23. Contact Claire Strand or Pr. Diana if interested.

PASTOR DIANA'S LECTIONARY STUDY will not meet Oct 19 and resumes Oct 26.

MLC's FIRST EVER COMMUNITY GERMAN FOOD FESTIVAL is this Saturday, October 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and we need **your** help! A signup sheet to help is on the welcome center. The festival will include German food by Neon Lily, live music from Swing and a Prayer, a bouncy house, games and bubble garten for children, hot cider and homemade cakes, cookies & pastries.

KIT MINISTRY ITEM - Single Toothbrushes **FOOD PANTRY** - Cake Mix & Frosting

Interim Pastor Pastor Diana Bottin
Director of Music Ministries Lois Graff
Director of Outreach Ministries Claire Strand
Communication & Tech Director Meredith Kilby
Office Managers Bobbey Huwaldt
Meredith Kilby

Choir Director Randall Fields
Contemporary Team Ric Birdsong, Bob Davis
David Gillespie, Gretchen Perry, Paul Zutter
Sarah McArthur, Lee Seitz, Stephen Strand

Acolytes

Greeters

Ushers

Lector

Stream Team

Flower Guild

Hadley Oltmans (8:30)

Hannah Seitz (11:00)

Sonja Pedersen (8:30)

Douglass Family (11:00)

Mark Thompson Virgil Burrer(8:30)

Jake Dorminey, Bruce Machamer (11:00)

Tim Pitchko (8:30)

Jutta DeMarsh (11:00)

Meredith Kilby, Stephen Strand

Linda Heideman

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****CHURCH CALENDAR****

Sunday, October 16

- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- 9:45 a.m. - Conversation and Coffee with Bishop Strickland - Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 a.m. - Handmade Market Continues in Parish Hall (except during service)
- 12:15 p.m. - Instrumental Ensemble
- 5:00 p.m. - Jr. Youth Game Night at MLC
- 5:00 p.m. - Sr. Youth meet up at Waffle House

Tuesday, October 18

- 9:00 a.m. - Comforters

Wednesday, October 19

- 10:00 a.m. - Domino Club
- 5:00 p.m. - 1st and 2nd Year Confirmation Classes
- 5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:00 p.m. - Cherub Choir
- 6:00 p.m. - Seraph Choir
- 6:30 p.m. - Notabella
- 7:30 p.m. - Messiah Choir

Thursday, October 20

- 7:00 p.m. - Kit Ministry

Saturday, October 22

- 9:30 a.m. - New Member Orientation
- 11:00 a.m. - Community German Food Fest

Sunday, October 23 - New Member Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. - Service of Worship: *Now the Feast with the Lord's Supper*
- 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages
- 9:45 a.m. - New Member Reception
- 11:00 a.m. - *Service of Worship: *Now the Feast with the Lord's Supper*
- 12:15 p.m. - New Member Reception
- 5:00 p.m. - Jr/Sr Youth

**These services are live streamed on mlutheran.org*

LOOKING AHEAD:

October 30: Chili Cook-Off/Halloween Party

November 13: Congregation Meeting at 9:45 a.m.

November 30, December 7, 14, 21: Advent Services of Worship at 12 noon and 7 p.m.

Attendance:

October 2: Online - 64

October 9: 8:30 a.m. - 75, 11:00 a.m. - 66

Offerings Counted October 11, 2022 (Includes e-giving for September)

Church Ministries

Current Mortgages

Sanctuary Debt

Weekend Food Program Mission

Inspiritus Mission

Facility Usage

Ramp Builders

Madison Area Interfaith Mission

Music at Messiah

Comforters Mission

Lunches for Learning Mission

Staff Gift

On Eagle's Wings Mission

Kit Ministries

Owen's House Mission

Flowers

Messiah Mugs

Outreach

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