

The Parable of The Wicked Husbandmen



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### St. John's Lutheran Church

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA

10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Class – 11:00 am Worship Service

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Organists: Jessica Buck and Sue Martin

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13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID

7:30 am Bible Class – 8:00 am Worship Service

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## 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 18, 2020

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 25 (front of the hymnal p. 128)

The Hymns: 505, 465, 755, 776

Personal Prayer: *Oh Lord, we beseech You, graciously abide among us with Your blessing, and keep us from the sin and cares of this life that we may seek first Your kingdom and Your righteousness, and in all things needful for body and soul, provide Your ever-present help; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

### Opening Prayer

### Opening Hymn 505

### The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



### Congregation sings:

A - men.

### The Confession and Absolution of Sins

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

Pastor Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



C: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin

All: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ; I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



C

A - men.

(congregation is seated)

### The Introit

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving.  
This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.

P: Say to my soul, I am your salvation:

C: **The righteous cry, and the Lord hears.**

P: He delivers them out from under their troubles:

C: **He is their God forever and ever.**

P: Give ear, O My people, to My Law:

C: **Incline your ears to the words of My mouth.**

### Gloria Patri

Latin for "Glory to the Father"

☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

### The Kyrie

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.

☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### The Gloria

A hymn glorifying and praising our God (Hymn 798:1 - all sing)

I God, we praise You! God, we bless You! God, we name You

sov - 'reign Lord! Might - y King whom an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther,

by Your Church a - dored: All cre - a - tion shows Your glo - ry;

Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne, Sing - ing, "Ho - ly,

ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord of hosts and God a - lone!"

### The Salutation (Greeting)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

☐ And with thy spir - it.

### The Collect for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

Pastor: Let us pray.

☐ A - men.

### The Bible Readings

God speaks to us.

#### The Old Testament Reading:

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Isaiah 65:1-2** "I was sought by *those who* did not ask for Me; I was found by *those who* did not seek Me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am,' To a nation *that* was not called by My name. <sup>2</sup> I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in a way *that* is not good, According to their own thoughts.

### The Gradual

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

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C: **And do not hide from my supplications.**

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C: **And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

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Pastor: The Epistle reading is from Romans 1 beginning in verse 25.

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**Pastor:** Here ends the Epistle reading. Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

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Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**The Nicene Creed** - *We boldly confess what we believe.* (Hymnal, page 22)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Hymn 465

### The Sermon – Pastor Joe Naumann

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Matthew 21:28-44**, "But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, 'Son, go, work today in my vineyard.' <sup>29</sup> "He answered and said, 'I will not,' but afterward he regretted it and went. <sup>30</sup> "Then he came to the second and said likewise. And he answered and said, 'I go, sir,' but he did not go. <sup>31</sup> "Which of the two did the will of *his* father?" They said to Him, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that tax collectors and harlots enter the kingdom of God before you. <sup>32</sup> "For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him; but tax collectors and harlots believed him; and when you saw *it*, you did not afterward relent and believe him. <sup>33</sup> "Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. <sup>34</sup> "Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. <sup>35</sup> "And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup> "Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. <sup>37</sup> "Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' <sup>38</sup> "But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' <sup>39</sup> "So they took him and cast *him* out of the vineyard and killed *him*. <sup>40</sup> "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?" <sup>41</sup> They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease *his* vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." <sup>42</sup> Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD'S doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes '?' <sup>43</sup> "Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a nation bearing the fruits of it. <sup>44</sup> "And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder."

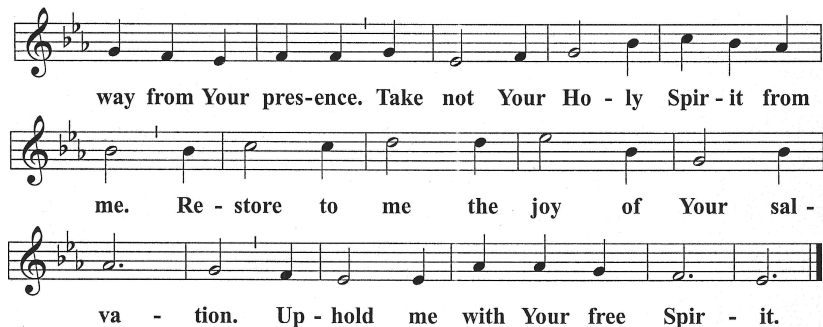
### Theme: JESUS WARNS AGAINST RESISTING GOD'S LOVE

1. False Obedience is Resisting God's Love
2. Denying the Word is Resisting God's Love
3. Resistance Cannot Change God's Love

### The Offertory

*Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.  
From the Worship Supplement page 6*

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God. Re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from  
me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal -  
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

### The Offering of Thankful Hearts

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 441:1-2:*

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!**

Prayers - (Pastor)

The 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.

Hymn 755

### The Communion Liturgy

#### The Preface/ Proper Preface

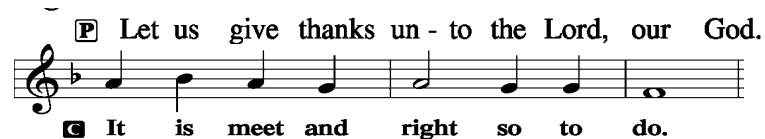
*Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration. Please stand.*



**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

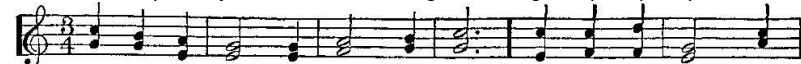


**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.  
**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**Pastor:** Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, almighty Creator, merciful Lord, God of promise and fulfillment, for You kept Your promises through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, Your Son. By His death He has destroyed death and by His resurrection has restored to us everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn.

### The Sanctus

*Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" around His throne"*



1 HOLY are You, the heav'- nly King! With an - gel hosts we  
2 HOLY are You, our Lord most high! Bless-ed is he who  
3 HOLY are You, through endless days! Our glad ho - san - nas



join to sing, Your ma - jes - ty fills ev' - ry - thing!  
now draws nigh In God's own name! with joy we cry:  
now we raise To greet You with ex - al - ted praise.



Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia!  
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### The Words of Institution

*(The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time*

**PASTOR:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



**C** A - men.

### The Agnus Dei

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to be thinking about the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross.



♩ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

### The Distribution of the Sacrament *(congregation is seated)*

#### COMMUNION TODAY IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY PLEASE

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is; God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon the Bible passages listed below. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, you'll want to find out if our church teaches what the Bible does! The pastor would be happy to discuss this with you at your convenience!

1 Corinthians 1:10 "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."

1 Corinthians 11:26-30 "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep."

#### SHOULD YOU COME TO THE LORD'S SUPPER?

\*\*\* If you feel your faith is weak, you need the Lord's Supper. In it Jesus gives you his body and blood which were given into death for your sins. He wants to

strengthen your faith. So come, eat and drink and listen to the words your pastor says to you in the name of Jesus, and believe them with all your heart.

\*\*\* When you know you've sinned and you feel unworthy. You say you aren't worthy because you aren't good enough. No one else is good enough either. But God doesn't ask whether you are good enough. He only asks, 'Are you sorry for your sins? Do you believe Jesus forgives?' He invites you to come and receive forgiveness through Christ, who shed his blood for you. He makes you sure that forgiveness is yours by giving you Jesus' body and blood to eat and to drink. You believe that, don't you?

\*\*\* But if you are refusing to give up a particular sin even though you know that God's word forbids it, you are despising God's Word. You are telling God, 'I don't care what you say. I'll do what I want.' Until you repent of your sin, God warns you against abusing this gift. To come to the Lord's Supper will only add to your sin rather than take it away.

#### THREE GOOD QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF BEFOREHAND

1. Am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe in Christ for forgiveness?
3. Am I willing, after receiving forgiveness, to amend my sinful life?

MARTIN LUTHER: "He is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words, 'Given and shed for you for the remission of sins.'"

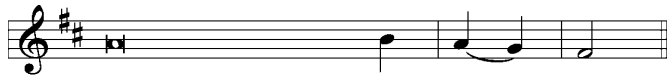
### The Nunc Dimittis

Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)



♩ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

*Pastor:* Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**Prayer by the Pastor:** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us by the forgiveness of our sins through this Sacrament, and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.



A - men.

**A Blessing from the LORD through the Pastor:**

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



A-men, a-men, a - men.

**Closing Hymn 776**

\*\*\* *Silent Prayer* \*\*\*

# **Announcements**

*"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

**WELCOME EVERYONE!** Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a free, 20 lesson "Information Class" led by the Pastor to study and discuss the Bible's teachings.

**THANK YOU!** The congregations appreciate the Gospel message from Pastor Joe Naumann this morning. He and his wife Rachel and their three children, Eleanor, Olivia, and Samson, are visiting their parents – Pastor and Desirae Naumann. Joe serves Immanuel Lutheran Church and School of Mankato, MN.

**TODAY** – St. John's School Board meeting after service.

**NEXT SUNDAY** – Quarterly Voters' meetings at both congregations.

**IN OUR PRAYERS** Desirae Naumann as she goes through chemo and radiation therapy for brain cancer. Bob Jensen, that he might receive a heart and kidney transplant. O LORD, Your gracious will be done.

**CHURCH AND SCHOOL CLEANING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT ST. JOHN'S.**

Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY** *From thankful hearts...*

Needed: \$2,215. Received: \$2,257 (+ \$42). To-date: -\$2,894.

Teacherage Fund – Received: \$200. Total to-date: \$14,015

**CLC NEWS** SD. <> Prof. John Reim, Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI has announced his retirement effective at the end of the school year in May, 2021. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO. has **received** the call to Bethel Lutheran Church, Morris, MN. <> Recently colloquized Pastor Johnathan Schnose, a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit, MI has been called to serve as resident vacancy pastor to Bethel, Morris, MN as well as Redeemer, Bowdle/Zion, Ipswich, SD.

**Candidates for Immanuel Professor Call:** The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary invites "all pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession" (CLC Constitution) to nominate an individual or individuals to fill the vacancy which will be created by the retirement of Professor John Reim at the end of the 2020-21 academic year. The position would require someone seminary trained with the ability to teach primarily music, college Greek, and other potential disciplines commencing with the 2021-22 academic year. The person would serve as the director of the mass and tour choirs, potentially teaching piano and organ. Those submitting nominations are strongly encouraged to verify that the individual would be willing to be nominated and would need to include information regarding the nominee's educational background and teaching and/or professional experience, also indicating how the person might help our school in technology expertise, extracurricular activities, or administrative positions. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight November 20, 2020 (letters postmarked November 10, 2020) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: [jeb6217@yahoo.com](mailto:jeb6217@yahoo.com).

## **WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE**

**"Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory."** Psalm 98:1

### **The Old Testament Reading for the 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*Here in these verses we read of how God's grace works among us for our benefit. We are the ones who have received His undeserved love and kindness despite our sinful and wicked nature. We read...*

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*In these verses, homosexuality is clearly defined as vile and unnatural, shameful, and an act worthy of punishment and deserving of death. Anyone who says otherwise is lying, and outside of God's Word. As believers, let us hear God's Word and keep it, soundly rejecting our society's wicked approval of what God says is a sinful practice. We read...*

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