



Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 29, 2023

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: "Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!"

Michael Burkhardt

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: May the Holy Spirit unite us in worship, point us toward Jesus Christ, and inspire us to love mercy, do justice, and walk humbly with God. Come, let us worship God.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

All: Before the mountains were brought forth, or before you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Psalm 90:1-2

* **All Singing: 405 "O God, our Help in Ages Past"**

* GOD'S GREETING

* GOD'S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing: 603 "Shout to the Lord"**

Children ages 2–7 may come forward for a brief word and blessing before they leave for "God Loves Me" and "Children in Worship."

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reconciliation

Liturgist: A thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

All: You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

Liturgist: Turn, O Lord! Have compassion on your servants.

All: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. *Psalms 90:4-6, 13-14*

Choir: "At the Break of Day (Logo de Manhã)" by Pires, arr. Cox

At the break of day, Lord, I seek Your face,
There to hear your voice, feel your love's embrace.
As you speak to me in this time apart,
Lord, I praise your holy name, I give You my heart.

You know me O Lord, more than any earthly friend.
I'll love you dear Lord, and will serve you until the end.

At the close of day, I seek you once more,
Magnify your name, worship and adore.
Even in the darkness shines your light so blest.
Jesus now I lay my spirit in your arms to rest.

Silent Confession and Reflection

Liturgist: The grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. *Titus 2:11-14*

* **All Singing:** 776 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Liturgist: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Choir: "I Have Set the Lord Always Before Me" Schalk

I have set the Lord always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
Therefore my heart is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my flesh will also rest in hope.
You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. *Psalms 16:8, 9, 11*

Scripture: Matthew 22:34-46

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: What Should We Do?

* **All Singing: 724 "You Shall Love the Lord"**

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

OFFERING

1. General Fund
2. Operation Blessing

OFFERTORY "Let Us Be Known By Our Love"

Liturgical Folk

Let us be known by our love
In every word, in every deed honor the Son
Let our light shine in every eye
Let us be known by our love

For the glory of the Father
For the glory of the Son
For the glory of the Spirit
Let us be known by our love / joy
Let us be known by our joy
In every home, in every heart sing to the Lord
Let our life show goodness and hope
Let us be known by our joy

Let us be known by our peace
In every town, in every tribe Jesus is king
Let us go forth, heal and restore
Let us be known by our peace

Congregation joining to sing:
For the glory of the Father
For the glory of the Son
For the glory of the Spirit
Let us be known by our peace

* **All Singing: 959 "Glory Be to the Father"**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

* BENEDICTION

Postlude: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

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Worship Leaders

Organist:	Dora Diephouse	Acolyte:	Beckham Van Wyngarden
Pianist / Vocalist:	Erin Pacheco	Liturgist:	Tony Reppmann
Vocalist:	Betsy Maher	Prayer:	Nate Pettinga
Vocalist / Violinist:	Bethany Keeley-Jonker		
Percussion:	Clay Carlson		
Choir Director:	David Baar		
Choir Accompanist:	Beverly Baar		
Minister:	Roger Nelson		

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