The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
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P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.** (*sit*)

Old Testament *Cyrus, God's Instrument* Isaiah 45:1-7

[1]Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped,
to subdue nations before him
and to loose the belts of kings,
to open doors before him
that gates may not be closed:
[2]"I will go before you
and level the exalted places,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,
[3]I will give you the treasures of darkness
and the hoards in secret places,
that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
[4]For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I name you, though you do not know me.
[5]I am the LORD, and there is no other,
besides me there is no God;
I equip you, though you do not know me,
[6]that people may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is none besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
[7]I form light and create darkness,
I make well-being and create calamity,
I am the LORD, who does all these things.

A This is the word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Worship in the Splendor of Holiness* Psalm 96:1-9 (antiphon: v. 9)

[9]Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;*
tremble before him, | all the earth!

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[1]Oh sing to the LORD a | new song;*
sing to the LORD, | all the earth!
[2]Sing to the LORD, | bless his name;*
tell of his salvation from | day to day.
[3]Declare his glory among the | nations,*
his marvelous works among all the | peoples!
[4]For great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised;*
he is to be feared a- | bove all gods.
[5]For all the gods of the peoples are worthless | idols,*
but the LORD made the | heavens.
[6]Splendor and majesty are be- | fore him;*
strength and beauty are in his sanctu- | ary.
[7]Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the | peoples,*
ascribe to the LORD glo- | ry and strength!
[8]Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*
bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!
[9]Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;*
tremble before him, | all the earth!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[9]Worship the LORD in the splendor of | holiness;*
tremble before him, | all the earth!

Epistle *The Thessalonians' Faith and Example* 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

[1]Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace to you and peace.

[2]We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, [3]remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. [4]For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, [5]because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. [6]And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, [7]so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. [8]For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. [9]For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, [10]and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

A This is the word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse of the Day (*stand*) Colossians 2:10

C **Alleluia, alleluia!**

A You have been | filled in him,*
who is the head of all rule and au- | thority.

C **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Holy Gospel *Paying Taxes to Caesar* Matthew 22:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[15]Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle [Jesus] in his talk. [16]And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. [17]Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" [18]But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? [19]Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. [20]And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" [21]They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." [22]When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.** (*sit*)

Hymn of the Day "We Give Thee But Thine Own" LSB 781, *solo st. 3*

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Agnus Dei

Distribution (*sit*) "Beautiful Savior" LSB 537

1 **Beautiful Savior,**
King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee,
Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

2 **Fair are the meadows,**
Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

3 **Fair is the sunshine,**
Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.

4 **Beautiful Savior,**
Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor,
Praise, adoration
Now and forevermore be Thine!

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Benediction *congregation responds "Amen"*

Closing Hymn "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" LSB 940, sts. 5-7

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