

To Know Christ and to Make Him Known

**FOR THE SON
OF MAN CAME
TO SEEK AND
SAVE THOSE
WHO ARE
LOST.**

Luke 19:10

October 27, 2024

Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church.

We are blessed to have you worship with us today.

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“You’re Very Welcome” folder for you with more information about our church.

An usher or greeter would be glad to get one for you.

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Theme of the Day

This weekend we demonstrate our financial generosity through pledging a portion of our income for our church. Zacchaeus will help us as he shows money’s generous side.

Rev. Steven Benson, Pastor

Dave Hansen, Sunday Organist

Nancy Engholm, Lesson Reader



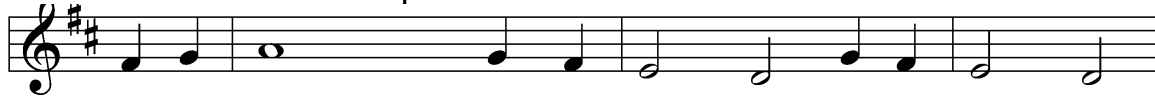
1 From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's
 2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at -
 △ 3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be, All praise, e - ter - nal



praise a - rise; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 tends Thy Word. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Son, to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung Through ev - 'ry land by
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore For - ev - er and for -



ev - 'ry tongue. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 set no more. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
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Invocation and Call to Worship (From selected verses in 1 Timothy 6)

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Godliness with contentment is great gain.
- C** For we brought nothing into the world, and it is certain that we can take nothing out.
- P** But if we have food and clothing, we will be content.
- C** People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap.
- P** For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.
- C** Some people, eager for money—

- P** Have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.
- C** **Command those who are rich in this present world—**
- P** Not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth.
- C** **Command them to be generous and willing to share.**
- P** In this way we will lay up treasure for ourselves as a firm foundation for the coming age.

Confession and Absolution

Based on Romans 8:27; Psalm 139:4; Isaiah 64:6

- P** Jesus tells us in today's Gospel lesson, "The Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost." (Luke 19:10) O God, we confess that—
- C** **We can be lost like Zacchaeus.**
- P** Lost in a world of greed, stockpiling and hoarding.
- C** **And so we confess to you, Lord—**
- P** Our discontent with your provision.
- C** **We acknowledge before to you, Lord—**
- P** Our meager generosity.
- C** **We lay bare to You, Lord—**
- P** Our plans keep more and give less.
- C** **We reveal to You, Lord—**
- P** Our unwillingness to trust your promises in Christ Jesus.
- C** **Forgive us, dear Savior, and make us bold and faithful stewards of your gifts.**

[Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination]

- P** As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven through the cross of Jesus. His return is certain. His promises are sure. And his love is never-ending.
- C** **Amen.**

Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

- P** Let us pray.
Lord Jesus Christ, you still come to seek and save lost people. Rescue us from our sin and point us to your cross. Then, being governed by your bountiful goodness, empower us to live joyfully and generously; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 3:5-10

⁵Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. ⁷Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil. ⁸It will be healing to your flesh and refreshment to your bones. ⁹Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; ¹⁰then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Timothy 6:17-19

¹⁷As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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Holy Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the nineteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

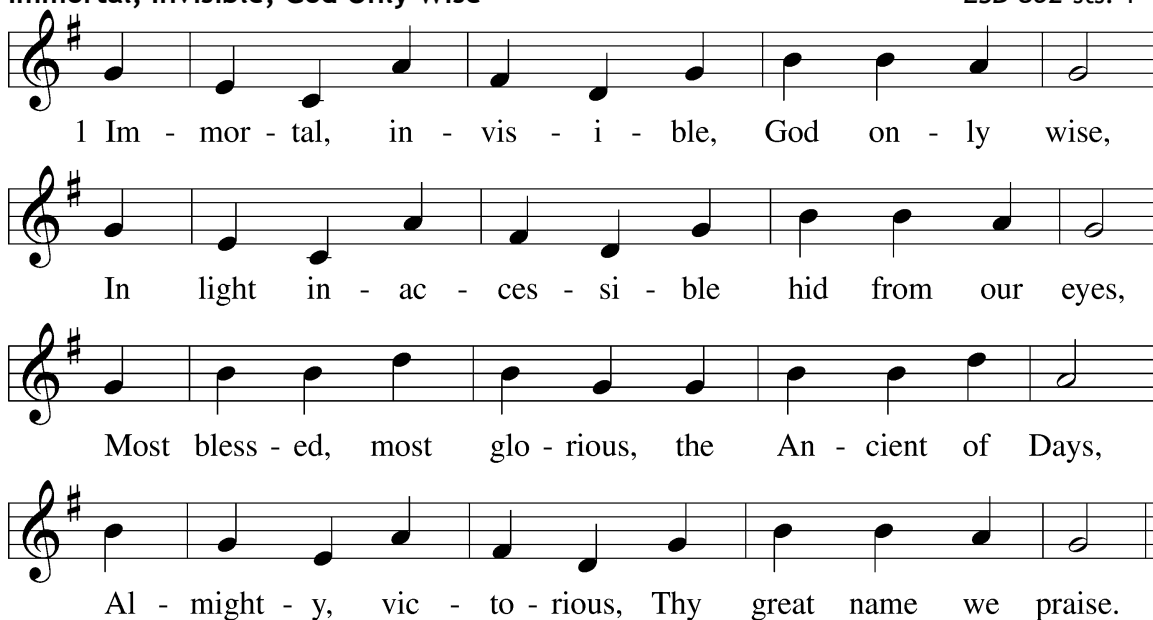
¹[Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. ²And there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small of stature. ⁴So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. ⁵And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. ⁷And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." ⁸And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." ⁹And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

LSB 802 sts. 1-4



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.

<p>2 The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. Redemption reminds us, O God, of your love. By grace we are learning, as year leads to year. We're called to be stewards, your caretakers here.</p>	<p>3 Too often, O God, we abuse your good earth. We fail to remember its beauty and worth. We take from creation much more than we need, We threaten your mission through excess and greed.</p>
<p>4 May we be good stewards of all that you give. Extending your Gospel wherever we live. May we be a church that renews and restores And lovingly cares for these gifts that are yours.</p>	<p>Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824-1908, alt. Tune: Welsh Text and tune: Public domain</p>

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Committing Our Gifts

P We pause, Father, in this moment of dedication to reflect on what we have let go, and on what we have kept back, what we have given in the past and what we plan to give in the future. And we reflect upon the overwhelming claim you have on all we possess. Make us more faithful, more generous, and more cheerful givers. We also join in thankful praise today to you, Jesus, the Giver of all good things.

C Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to Thee.

P Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

C Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.

P Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.

C We bring our commitments to you, Father.

P Take myself and I will be, ever, only, all for Thee.

C Ever, only all for Thee!

Offering



Please sign the red Friendship Book that is in your pew.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Almighty God, many times Your people, both then and now, have turned their backs on You. Yet You are always willing to extend to Your people mercy and grace. Thank You for the love You have always shown us, especially at the cross. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer. Thank You for Your great love for us.

P Lord Jesus, You are our great High Priest. Thank You for offering the sacrifice for sins that set us free.

C Thank You for being that sacrifice and being willing to give Your life for us, that we might be forgiven and spend eternity with You.

P Lord Jesus, You brought healing to Bartimaeus, showing him mercy and grace.

C Lord Jesus, look upon those in need of Your healing hand known to us and to You.

P We lift those up who are sick and in need of Your healing touch. We bring before Your throne all those who are sick, [*especially . . .*].

C According to Your gracious will, provide healing to these, Your people.

P For those who are hurting, we bring them before You.

C We remember all the families who have suffered losses and are grieving in this hour. Comfort them with Your Holy Spirit.

P You bid us to remember all in authority. Because we desire quiet and peaceful lives, we lift our leaders up before You.

C We remember our president, those serving in Congress, all serving at the state level, as well as those who govern us locally. Give them clear minds, vision, and Your Holy Spirit's leading.

P Through Your Holy Word, You also remind us to pray for all who are undergoing persecution.

C We ask that You keep all strong in their faith and especially those facing death. Grant that they may receive the crown of life.

P For the petitions we have not named here, but are in our hearts,

C we ask that You hear the prayers of our hearts not spoken today and answer according to Your will.

Following each petition...

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
C trusting in Your mercy and Your grace to hear and answer them, in Jesus' blessed name. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

- C** 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.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with His favor and ✠ give you His peace.
C Amen.

Dismissal

- P** As God's blessed people, go in peace. Share the mercy and blessings with all, that they too may know the peace that is yours in Jesus.
C Amen. Help us, through the working of Your Holy Spirit, to share the blessings You have given us with others.



Glory Be to God the Father

LSB 506



1 Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to
2 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each
3 Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, Glo - ry to the
4 Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal! Thus the choir of



God the Son, Glo - ry be to God the Spir - it:
spot and stain; Glo - ry be to Him who bought us,
Church's King, Glo - ry to the King of na - tions;
an - gels sings; Hon - or, rich - es, pow'r, do - min - ion!



Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
Heav'n and earth, your prais - es bring! Glo - ry,
Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings. Glo - ry,



glo - ry While e - ter - nal a - ges run!
glo - ry To the Lamb that once was slain!
glo - ry To the King of glo - ry sing!
glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of King of King!

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