





Sunday, October 13, 2024

Pentecost 21

**Theme of the Day:**

*The Need for Followership: Followers of Christ Maintain Proper Priorities*

*Congregation sings or speaks the bolded text*

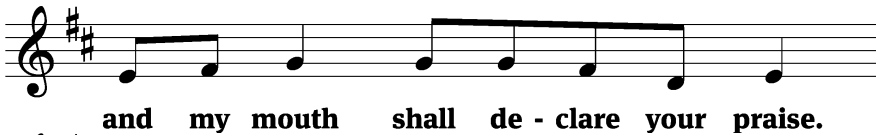
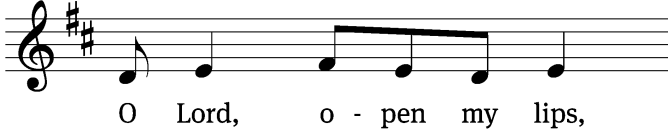
**Choir Sings "Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven" (2nd service)**

**878 Christ Alone the World's Redeemer**

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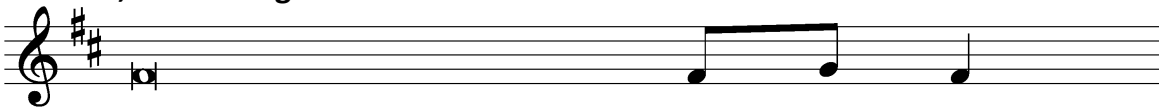
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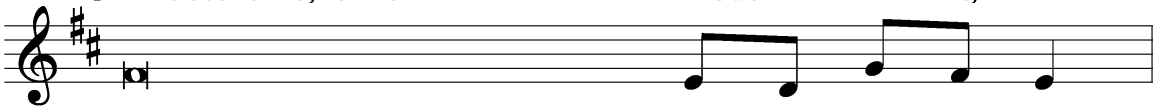


# O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

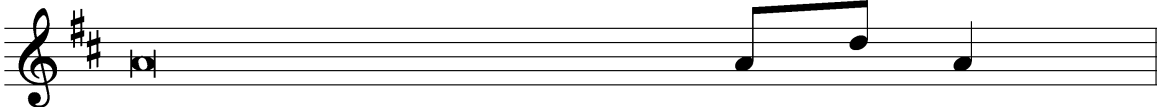
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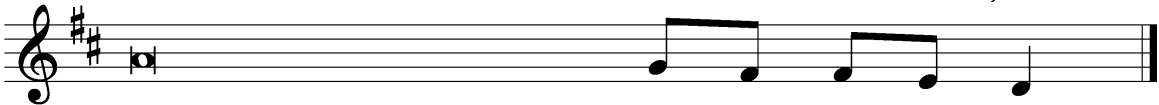
- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,  
2 For the Lord is a great God  
3 The sea is his, for he made it,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.  
3 and his hand formed the dry land.



- 1 Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
2 The deep places of the earth are in his hand;  
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,  
4 For he is our God,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.  
2 the heights of the hills are al - so his.  
3 let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er.  
4 and we are the people of his  
pasture and the sheep of his hand.

*Please be seated.*

# 90B Lord, Give Success to the Work of Our Hands

Psalm 90B

*The Congregations will sing the refrain and the verses in bold.*

## Refrain



## Tone



Lord, you have been our / dwelling place  
throughout all gener- / ations.

A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has / just gone by,  
or like a watch / in the night.

**Yet you sweep people away in the / sleep of death—  
they are like the new grass of the / morning:  
In the morning it / springs up new,  
but by evening it is dry and / withered. Refrain**

Our days may come to / sev'nty years,  
or eighty, if our / strength endures;  
yet the best of them are but trouble and / sorrow,  
for they quickly pass, and we / fly away.

**Teach us to number / our days,  
that we may gain a heart of / wisdom.  
Satisfy us in the morning with your un- / failing love,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad / all our days.**

**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. Refrain**

## First Reading

2 Kings 5:14–27

*The prophet Elisha's servant, Gehazi, prioritized riches over his walk with God.*

<sup>14</sup>So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy. <sup>15</sup>Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel." "So please accept a gift from your servant." <sup>16</sup>The prophet answered, "As surely as the LORD lives, whom I serve, I will not accept a thing." And even though Naaman urged him, he refused. <sup>17</sup>"If you will not," said Naaman, "please let me, your servant, be given as much earth as a pair of mules can carry, for your servant will never again make burnt offerings and sacrifices to any other god but the LORD. <sup>18</sup>But may the LORD forgive your servant for this one thing: When my master enters the temple of Rimmon to bow down and he is leaning on my arm and I have to bow there also—when I bow down in the temple of Rimmon, may the LORD forgive your servant for this." <sup>19</sup>"Go in peace," Elisha said. After Naaman had traveled some distance, <sup>20</sup>Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said to himself, "My master was too easy on Naaman, this Aramean, by not accepting from him what he brought. As surely as the LORD lives, I will run after him and get something from him." <sup>21</sup>So Gehazi hurried after Naaman. When Naaman saw him running toward him, he got down from the chariot to meet him. "Is everything all right?" he asked. <sup>22</sup>"Everything is all right," Gehazi answered. "My master sent me to say, 'Two young men from the company of the prophets have just come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two sets of clothing.' " <sup>23</sup>"By all means, take two talents," said Naaman. He urged Gehazi to accept them, and then tied up the two talents of silver in two bags, with two sets of clothing. He gave them to two of his servants, and they carried them ahead of Gehazi. <sup>24</sup>When Gehazi came to the hill, he took the things from the servants and put them away in the house. He sent the men away and they left. <sup>25</sup>When he went in and stood before his master, Elisha asked him, "Where have you been, Gehazi?" "Your servant didn't go anywhere," Gehazi answered. <sup>26</sup>But Elisha said to him, "Was not my spirit with you when the man got down from his chariot to meet you? Is this the time to take money or to accept clothes—or olive groves and vineyards, or flocks and herds, or male and female slaves? <sup>27</sup>Naaman's leprosy will cling to you and to your descendants forever." Then Gehazi went from Elisha's presence and his skin was leprous—it had become as white as snow.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Choir Sings "Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven" (1st service)

## Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-13

*God's Word is like a sword. It cuts through our pretensions and pride and exposes our true priorities.*

<sup>12</sup>For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. <sup>13</sup>Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

P: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel**

*Mark 10:17–27*

*Jesus helps a young man see a problem deeper than his failure to keep God’s law perfectly—that he prioritized his wealth above the call to follow Christ.*

<sup>17</sup>As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. “Good teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>“Why do you call me good?” Jesus answered. “No one is good—except God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>“Teacher,” he declared, “all these I have kept since I was a boy.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus looked at him and loved him. “One thing you lack,” he said. “Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>At this the man’s face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. <sup>23</sup>Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, “Who then can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **Children's Lesson**

### **560 Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ**

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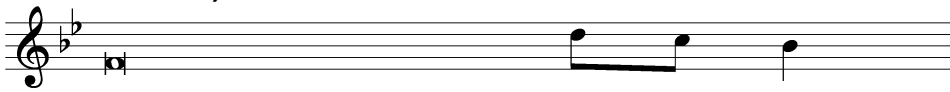
### **Sermon Theme: Christ does the impossible.**

- 1) He perfectly loves those who refuse to listen**
- 2) He threads the camel through the eye of a needle**

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# We Praise You, O God

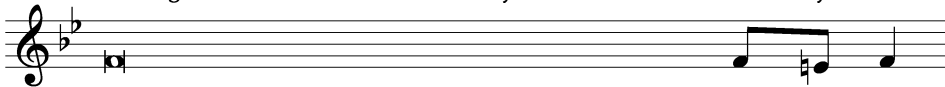
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- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord;  
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of heav'n - ly hosts,  
3 The white-robed army of martyrs praise — you.



- 1 all creation worships you, Fa - ther ev - er - last - ing.  
2 heaven and earth are full — of your glo - ry.  
3 Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



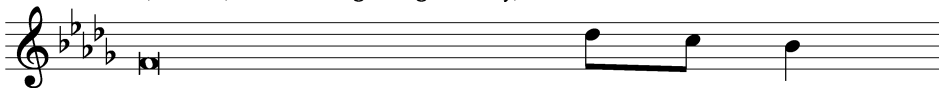
- 1 To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,  
2 The glorious company of apostles praise — you.  
3 Father of majesty unbounded; your glorious, true, and on - ly Son;



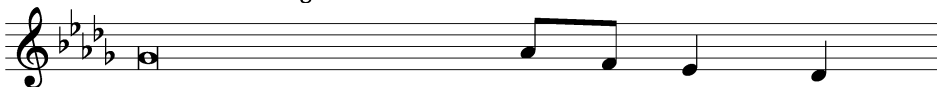
- 1 cherubim and seraphim, sing in end - less praise:  
2 The noble fellowship of proph - ets praise — you.  
3 and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide.



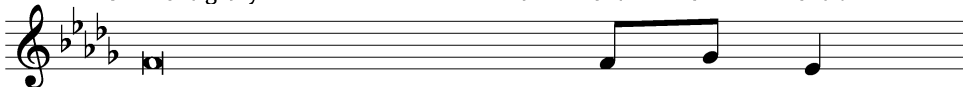
- 4 You, Christ, are the King of glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther.



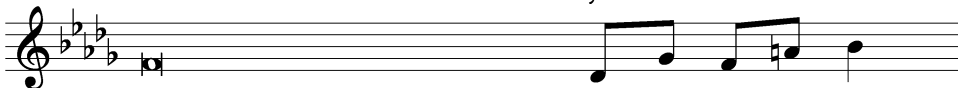
- 5 When you became man to set us free,  
6 You sit at the right hand of God



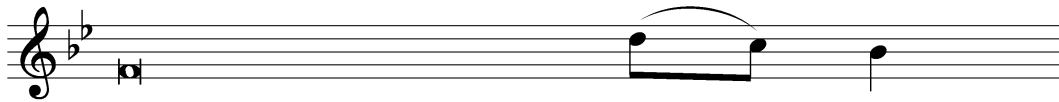
- 5 you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.



- 5 You overcame the sting of death  
6 We believe that you will come



- 5 and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
6 to be — our — judge.



7 Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple,



7 bought with the price of your own blood,



7 and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

*Please be seated.*

### Offering

#### Friendship Registration

**Guests:** Please fill out name, address, and phone number.

**Members:** Please fill out name and any new information.

**Please, return the booklet to its original location. Thank you!**

*Please stand.*

### Lord, Have Mercy

CW 213



Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful and an - swer me.



**Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.**

### Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us forsake all trust in earthly gain and find in you our heavenly treasure; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**



## Lord's Prayer

All: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



A - men.

## 717 What Is the World to Me

CW 717

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## Announcements

**WELCOME!** Thank you for joining our Trinity family in worship today. We invite you to keep growing with us through God's Word and Sacraments. If you have a question, please speak to a pastor or a Trinity member. If you are a guest, please pick up a guest packet and give your name and address in the friendship registration located in each pew. Ask the ushers if you need a pocket-sized aid for the hearing impaired. Large print bulletins are available upon request, with the Hymns for the service printed in them. A Nursery with our service on TV is located off the lobby for parents who need to calm young children.

**PRODUCE GIVEAWAY** The Produce Giveaway table has begun, extending until necessary. You may bring your extra produce to the south church doors on Sundays. If your garden does amazingly well this year, why not share?

**POWER POINT PRESENTER** There is an opening for 2<sup>nd</sup> service for a Power Point Presenter. Please contact Pastor Nowak if you are interested in filling in the vacancy and/or for more details.

**TIGER ATHLETICS** Home Events - Concessions Donations and Volunteer Opportunities  
Your Tiger volleyball team has one home contest this fall. Volleyball plays on Friday, November 1 at 4pm. Come on out and cheer on our players! Donations are needed for drinks, hot dog buns, and volunteers. Sign up now. We appreciate any help you can give. Questions? Contact Mr. Falck. Go Tigers!

**JENERA FOOD DRIVE** We will be having a canned food drive for the Village of Jenera throughout the months of October & November. Please put donated items in the bins located at the South church entrance.

**LIMA FOOD BANK:** Women's Ministry is volunteering at the West Ohio Food Bank in Lima on Thursday, October 24 from 1:00-3:00 PM. We will be packing "senior boxes" or "emergency boxes" for the Food Bank to distribute to those in need. Anyone is welcome to come help—men, women, teens! Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you are able to join us. The address is 1380 Kibby St. Lima, OH 45802. Questions? Contact Jenny Boehm 262-391-7994.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THIS UPCOMING EVENT:**

~Family Paint Event: Saturday, November 16

**THINGS THAT GO:** Mornings with Mommy meets on Monday and Tuesday, October 21 and 22. Plan to join us in the church basement to learn about and play with cars, boats, trucks, trains, planes, and more. You and your little ones can make a name train, play with rice and vehicles, try out different textured ramps, and make tire tracks in play-dough. Register online at [tlcjenera.org](http://tlcjenera.org) or call 262-391-7994.

**LUTHER SOCIETY** We will be traveling to Suter's Corn Maze after second service on Oct 20th. Please bring \$5 for pizza and money for Suters. (The corn maze is \$5.) Bring a friend and see you then!

**BIBLE STUDY FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER:** Apologetics: Confessing your Faith – Apologetics is narrowly defined as "defending the Christian faith by reason with gentleness and respect." The Apostle Peter writes: "Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. 1 Peter 3:15-16 We can't argue anyone into heaven, but we can speak about the hope that we have. This Bible Study will work with people to build up discussions about their faith and help them talk about it with other people. The Apologetics Bible Study begins September 8th between services.

**BIBLE STUDY and BONFIRE:** Women's Ministry is hosting a Bible study and bonfire at Marilyn Stahl's house (3145 N. Cool Rd Lima 45801) on Monday, October 21 at 6:30 PM. (If the weather is unpleasant, we will move the Bible study inside.) Snacks and drinks will be provided. Bring a chair. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of church if you plan to come, but sign up is not necessary! If you want to meet at church to share a ride, please indicate that on the sign up sheet. We will meet at 5:55 in the church parking lot. Questions--contact Jenny Boehm (262) 391-7994.

**TRUNK OR TREAT** is scheduled for Thursday, October 31 from 5:30-7:30 PM. Plan to bring your children/grandchildren for trick-or-treating in the church parking lot, along with hayrides from 5:30-6:30. Food will be available for purchase. Indoor activities include pumpkin decorating, games, cookie decorating, crafts, and sensory bins. ***We have plenty of ways that you can help!*** Can you bring your vehicle and hand out candy in the church parking lot? (Decorations are encouraged but not required.) Can you help with games and crafts in the gym? Can you make cut-out cookies or bring frosting for cookie decorating? Please sign up if you are able to help! Questions? Contact Jenny Boehm--(262) 391-7994.

**AREA REFORMATION SERVICE:** Celebrate 507 years of God's Grace on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at the WELS-ELS Joint Reformation Service. The service will be at Immanuel Lutheran in Findlay. It is at 2300 Northridge Rd.. Worship service at 4 pm. If you love to sing with other Lutherans, you can participate in the choir. There will also be a dinner at 5:30 pm. If you would be willing to provide desserts, or participate musically in the Recital or Service, please contact Pastor Nowak at 419-302-5271 or pastormattn@gmail.com or sign up on the sign-up sheet. ***If you are interested in singing in the choir, there will be a practice at Immanuel on Wednesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm.***

**SAVE THE DATES:** Can you help host/plan any of these upcoming Women's Ministry events? Please contact one of the ladies on the planning committee if you can.

~November 10: Progressive Meal—*Hostesses are still needed for salads and dessert.*

~December 8: Advent by Candlelight—*Advent by Candlelight (with food) will be in the church basement. We need a volunteer organize the Advent by Candlelight music & narrations.*

~January: Bunco Night—*Can anyone organize this event in the church basement? You pick the date and time!*

#### **DAILY LECTIONARY**

**10.13:** Deu 11:26-12:12, Matt 12:22-37

**10.14:** Deu 12:13-32, Matt 12:38-50

**10.15:** Deu 13:1-18, Matt 13:1-23

**10.16:** Deu 14:1,2,22,23,28-15:15, Matt 13:24-43

**10.17:** Deu 15:19-16:22, Matt 13:44-58

**10.18:** Deu 17:1-20, Matt 14:1-21

**10.19:** Deu 18:1-22, Matt 14:22-36

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## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE (week of October 6<sup>th</sup>)

Total Worship Attendance: 246, Early: 121, Late: 125; Adult Bible Class: 33; Sunday School: 36;  
Teen Bible Class: 5; Online worship views for September 29<sup>th</sup>: 58; Mornings with Mommy: 72

**MONEY COUNTERS** for this morning through October 19<sup>th</sup> are the members of Josh Breitigam's Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, will be the members of Dan Webb's Undershepherd group.

**GREETERS** today are: Richard & Cheryl Kretz – early  
Warren Pratt – late

Next Sunday: Tyler & Kathy Smith – early  
Mike & Jill Woodward – late

## THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (October 13<sup>th</sup> through October 20<sup>th</sup>)

**TODAY Worship 8:00 & 10:30;** Children's Lesson; Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Class, Sunday School 9:20

**MON** Preschool Playtime 10:00 in school gym

**WED** Handbells 6:30; Choir 7:30

**SUN** **Worship 8:00 & 10:30;** Communion; Adult Bible Study, Teen Bible Class, Sunday School  
9:20; Outreach 3:15

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

**Mon** Volleyball Practice 3:15-5:00

**Wed** Chapel 8:20; Volleyball Practice 3:15-5:00

**Sat** Volleyball @ Zion, Monroe 11:00

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**OUR MISSION STATEMENT:** *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church exists to glorify our Triune God as we train, strengthen and nurture ourselves and others through His Word and Sacraments, so that we are enabled by His love to live lives of faith and to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*