

# THE 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 6, 2023



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A recording of Sunday's service will be uploaded to YouTube at:  
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**Prayer:** O God, the Protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, increase and multiply Your 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 Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Kareem and family who have received an email to schedule their immigration interview for September 8, 2023. We thank God for this progress. Please pray that the interview goes well.

**DAILY SCRIPTURE MEDITATIONS:**

Monday: Eccles. 9: 13-18      Wednesday: Jas. 3: 13-18      Friday: Matt. 10: 16-23  
Tuesday: Luke 16: 10-13      Thursday: 1 Tim. 4: 12-16      Saturday: Luke 12: 54-59

**Musician:** Mayumi Munoz  
**Reader:** Paul Wachs  
**Greeter:** Judy Slingerland

**WE THANK** Pastor Robert Munoz for leading our service this morning.

**August 2023 Worship Schedule:**

**Today: Aug 6** – Pentecost 10 Service of Word  
(Pastor Robert Munoz)  
**Aug 13** – Pentecost 11 Creative Worship Holy Communion  
**Aug 20** – Pentecost 12 Scripture & Song Service [The Band]  
**Aug 27** – Pentecost 13/ Communion LSB Setting One

**CANVAS FOR A CAUSE:** Join us **Wednesday, August 16th at 7 p.m.** for a **“Paint Night”** which will help support our SOUL program. Everyone will be guided through painting an 11x 14 acrylic landscape. All supplies and light refreshments will be provided. The cost is \$25 per person. Bring a friend and find your inner artist! See Jenn Hoefts to register.

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR JASON GILLARD,** will be held on **August 27th**, at 4:00 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 15 Wexford Ave. S., in Hamilton. Saulo Bledoff will be the preacher. Joel Kuhl will be the liturgist. Richard Juritsch will be the lector. A dinner will follow the service.



**LOOKING AHEAD:** Watch for details in the Fall for a **WESTERN JAMBOREE** event like we enjoyed before Covid. The Fellowship Committee is planning to do it again on **Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**, just for fellowship fun. Cost would be only to cover expenses. Fun things like a live band, pulled pork & beans, photo booth, etc. It should be a lot of fun, watch bulletin for more details as it gets closer.

**Last Sunday Attendance: July 30th, 2023      Attn: 10 a.m. – 71**

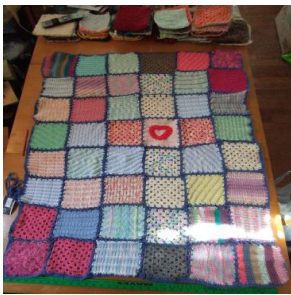
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Weekly Need</u>	<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>Year To Date</u>	<u>+ or – (--)</u>
Current	297,841.00	5,840.02	1,623.00	119,978.91	(40,397.91)
LCC Missions	17,000.00	333.33	65.00	9,679.50	315.65
Property Improvement:			54.00	3,327.50	

**FLOWERS** have been placed on the altar this morning to the glory of God by James & Wendy Hyatt on the occasion of their 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

**2023/2024 SUNDAY SCHOOL:** The Christian education of our children is important to all of us. We are looking for people to help "team teach" our Sunday school children this year; September - December; January - June. If you are excited to share God's Word with inquisitive minds we invite you to speak with our Parish Education Chairman, Brandon Kemp, or Louise.

**GREETERS:** A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board and we would ask that anyone who is interested in assisting for the coming year to please sign up. It is a wonderful opportunity to get to know everyone in the congregation.

**POWER POINT VOLUNTEERS:** – The Worship Committee is urgently seeking two (2) volunteers to assist with the preparation of the weekly PowerPoint projection. Frequency of PowerPoint preparation would be on a rotating basis and dependent upon the number of helpers. PLEASE give prayerful consideration to serving our Lord in this capacity. For more information, please speak to Kathy Kuhl, Judy Slingerland or Pastor Todd.



**Granny Squares still needed:** This is an ongoing project we will gratefully accept more completed 6 inch knitted or crocheted Granny Squares in any pattern or colour. We would also appreciate any yarn that you may have, leftover yarn or full balls of yarn. In the narthex there is a white cube with yarn and hooks that you are welcome to take (or donate). There is another basket for completed squares. Once there are enough, we will make a Caring Squares blanket for whoever may be in need of a hug. On behalf of the Caring Squares, if you have any questions, call Lorraine at 905 964 5837)

# WORD & PRAYER ORDER OF SERVICE

THE 10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 6, 2023 + 10 AM Worship

**OPENING HYMN:**      *"Word Of God Come Down To Earth"*



1 Word of God, come down on earth, Liv - ing rain from  
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to  
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, Speak and heal our  
4 Word that speaks God's ten - der love, One with God be -



heav'n de - scend - ing; Touch our hearts and bring to birth  
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heav'n to die,  
mor - tal blind - ness; Deaf we are: our heal - er be;  
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove,



Faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,  
Cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, Sav - ing Word, the  
Loose our tongues to tell Your kind - ness. Be our Word in  
God the Spir - it, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere You; Word made flesh, we long to hear You.  
world re - stor - ing, Speak to us, Your love out - pour - ing.  
pit - y spo - ken, Heal the world, by sin now bro - ken.  
all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

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**INVOCATION:**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**The Lord our God, the Lord is ONE.**

*[Schema]*

## SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW:

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. And you shall love your neighbour as yourself.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Create in me clean heart, oh God and renew a right Spirit within me.

**Cast me not away from Your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold with Your free Spirit. Amen.**

In the place of Christ and by His Holy Command, I forgive you all of your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## PRAISE HYMN:

*"Give To Our God"*

*[I Know My Redeemer Lives tune]*

1 Give to our God im - mor - tal praise! Mer - cy and  
3 Give to the Lord of lords re - nown; the King of  
truth are all his ways. Won - ders of grace to  
kings with glo - ry crown. His mer - cies ev - er  
God be - long; re - peat his mer - cies in your song.  
shall en - dure when lords and kings are known no more!

**We Pray:** Loving God, Heavenly Father, Your dear Son Jesus Christ came down from Heaven to be the true Bread which gives life to the world. Satisfy our hunger both for daily bread and for Your life-giving bread that lasts forever, Your Blessed Communion, so that Christ may live in us and we in Him. For He lives and reigns with You, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

**The Old Testament:** *Isaiah 55: 1-5*

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**The Epistle:** *Romans 9: 1-5*

[St. Paul writes:] I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit—that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**The Holy Gospel:** *St. Matthew 14: 13-21*

The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter:

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

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” But Jesus said, “They

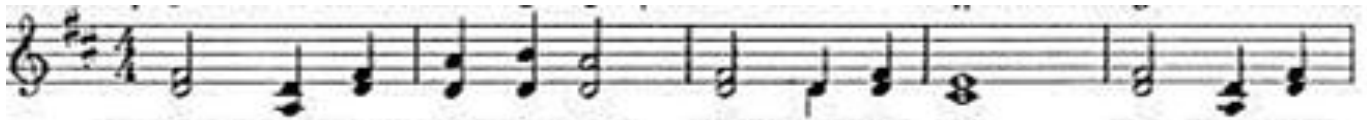
need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **APOSTLES' CREED:**

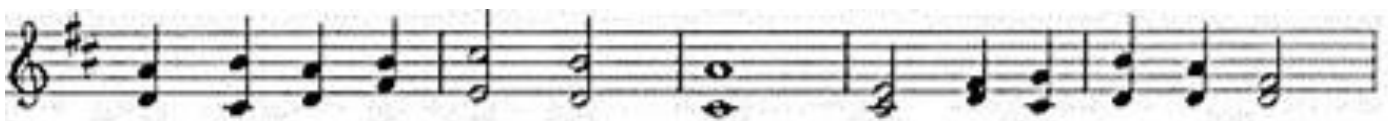
**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the 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.**

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** [Deaconess Louise]

#### **SERMON HYMN:** *"Break, Now, The Bread Of Life"*



**1 Break, now, the Bread of Life, dear Lord, to me, as once You**



**broke the loaves be-side the sea; with -in Your Sac-red Page,**



**I seek You, Lord; my spir-it waits for You, O Liv-ing Word.**

Bless, Your own Truth dear Lord, now, un-to me;  
As when You blest the Bread by Gal-il-ee;  
Then, shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;  
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

You are the Bread of Life, O, Lord, to me.  
Your Word and Sacrament can res-cue me.  
Give me to eat and live with You above,  
Teach me to love Your Truth, for You are love.

Oh, send Your Spirit, Lord, now, unto me,  
That with His help my eyes will clearly see.  
Show me the Truth concealed within Your Word;  
And in Your Book revealed I see my Lord.

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**SERMON** – *Rev. Robert Munoz*

**THE OFFERINGS** *are gathered.*

## **PRAYERS**

Confident that our Gracious God receives our joys and concerns,  
let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.  
You gather your church together by the Holy Spirit. Inspire all the baptized  
to proclaim your abundant love throughout the world. Guide us in  
the mission of the gospel through word, sacraments and deeds. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You cherish your creation, from the smallest microbe to the largest mountain.  
Protect fragile places, send favourable seasonable weather,  
supply food and water to nourish creatures,  
and raise us up to care for all you have created. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You desire peace and justice in the world. Instill within all political leaders  
your desire, support the work of international peace organizations,  
and provide relief for those in war-torn areas. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You comfort those who are hurting. Accompany those who are alone,  
heal those who are sick, provide for all who hunger or thirst, console the bereaved,  
bring joy to the sorrowful, and attend to all who call on you (*especially we name before  
you...*). Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

You place us within communities for mutual support and love.  
Reveal yourself to us in worship, fellowship, and ministry with our neighbours.  
Provide for feeding ministries and food banks in our area,  
that we share your abundance with all who hunger. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**



You have placed before us examples of faithful living who have witnessed to your promises throughout time and space. Inspire and move us by their lives of service and dedication to be your hands and feet in this world. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Into your hands, O Gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, in the name of the one who reconciled all creation to himself, Jesus Christ our Saviour and Lord.

**Amen.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER:**

*"Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name...."*

**BENEDICTION:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favour, and + give you peace. **Amen.**

#### **CLOSING HYMN:**

##### ***Doxology***

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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## Word Search



Word list:

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|--------------|------------|-----------|
| BELIEF       | FRIENDSHIP | JOY       |
| BLESSINGS    | GIVING     | LOVE      |
| CHRIST       | GOD        | MERCY     |
| CHURCH       | GRACE      | OBEDIENCE |
| COMPASSION   | GUIDANCE   | PATIENCE  |
| COURAGE      | HEALING    | PEACE     |
| ETERNAL      | HEAVEN     | SALVATION |
| FAITH        | HOLY       | SPIRIT    |
| FAITHFULNESS | HOPE       | TRUTH     |
| FORGIVENESS  | JESUS      | WISDOM    |

