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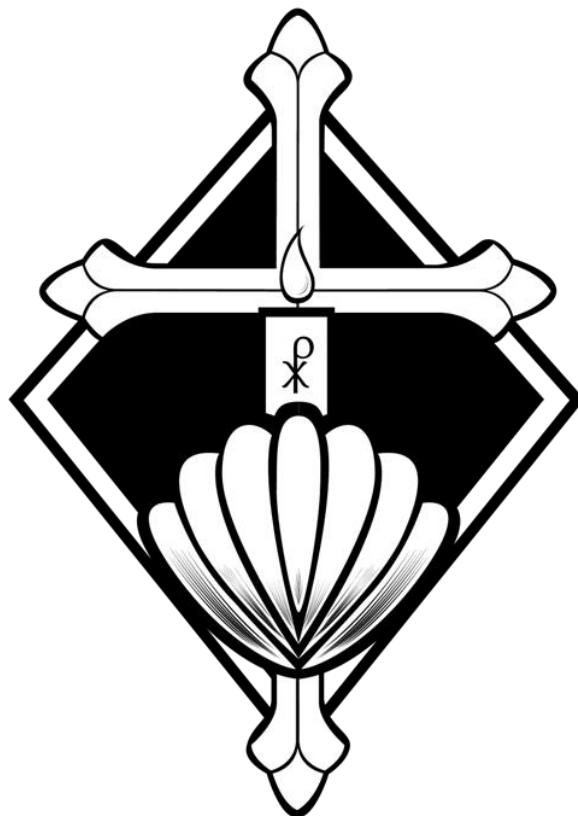
Twenty Sixth Sunday of Pentecost
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Hymns: **536** **537:1-5** **517:1-4** **54**
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TODAY'S DIVINE SERVICE

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

1. THE ENTRANCE HYMN: 536 "O Son of God, We Wait for Thee"

1 O Son of God, we wait for Thee,
We long for Thine appearing;
We know Thou sittest on the throne,
And we Thy Name are bearing.
Who trusts in Thee,
May joyful be,
And see Thee, Lord, descending
To bring us bliss unending.

2 We wait for Thee, 'mid toil and pain,
In weariness and sighing;
But glad that Thou our guilt hast borne,
And cancelled it by dying.
Hence, cheerfully
May we with Thee
Take up our cross and bear it,
Till we relief inherit.

3 We wait for Thee; here Thou hast won
Our hearts to hope and duty;
But while our spirits feel Thee near,
Our eyes would see Thy beauty;
We fain would be
At rest with Thee
In peace and joy supernal,
In glorious life eternal.

4 We wait for Thee; soon Thou wilt come,
The time is swiftly nearing;
In this we also do rejoice,
And long for Thine appearing.
O bliss 'twill be
When Thee we see,
Homeward Thy people bringing,
With transport and with singing!

2. Dearly Beloved: We learn from the word of God that all people since Adam's fall into sin are conceived and born in sin and so are under the wrath of God and would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus Christ. But we also learn that the Father of mercy and grace has sent his Son Jesus Christ into the world to save sinners. In order that all men, women, and children might come to the knowledge of truth that is in Christ Jesus, he has entrusted holy baptism to his church as a means of grace for our salvation. Jesus said, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved."

Jesus spoke of his suffering and death as his baptism, and we participate in that dying and rising in our baptisms, not just symbolically, but truly receiving all the blessings of Christ's redemptive work. In baptism, our old sinful natures are drowned and die and we are reborn to the new resurrection life right now.

Therefore, according to his command and promise, we receive Drew Larson into the Christian church through the washing of regeneration.

[To the baptized:]

3. Drew, do you renounce the Devil and all his works and his ways?

Yes, I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Do you hold the Old and New Testaments to be the inspired word of God?

I do.

Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church—drawn from the Scriptures and written in the Small Catechism—to be faithful and true?

I do.

Do you intend to hear the word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

I do, by the grace of God.

Do you intend to live according to the word of God and in faith, word, and deed remain true to God until your death?

I do, by the grace of God.

[To the baptized:]

4. Drew Larson, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has begotten you again of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, protect and preserve you in all your ways and strengthen you with his grace unto life everlasting. Peace be with you. ✠ Amen.

5. Drew Larson, may this Bible passage be a special guide through life:

May God the Father who created you, God the Son who redeemed you, and
God the Holy Spirit who sanctified you keep you faithful until everlasting life.

[To the congregation:]

6. God alone enables us to believe and to do his will. Let us pray to him for Drew that he would complete the good work which he has begun in Drew:

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank you for giving Drew a heart to believe and mouth to confess Jesus as his Lord and Savior. Transform him so he will not conform to the pattern of this world, but continue steadfast until the day of victory and resurrection. We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

[To the confirmand:]

The almighty and most merciful God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even forevermore. Amen.

7. THE CONFESSION OF SIN (*Stand*)

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have

mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

8. THE KYRIE ELEISON (LORD, HAVE MERCY)

C: ♪ O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us.

9. THE ABSOLUTION

P: Lift up your hearts unto God! Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized will be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

10. THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

P: Glory be to God in the highest!

C: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men. All glory be to God on high who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, the strife at last is ended; God showeth His good will to men, and peace shall dwell on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

11. THE SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with your spirit.

12. THE COLLECT (Prayer for the Day):

P: O almighty God, eternal and merciful God, by Your beloved Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, You established the kingdom of grace for us in Your holy Church here on earth, that we might believe the forgiveness of our sins, since You are a God who has no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live: We ask You, graciously forgive us all our sins; through the same, Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

C: ♪ Amen.

13. THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3 (Sit)

“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But

at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.

² And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

14. THE GRADUAL Psalm 34

P: You gave us victory over our enemies: you put our adversaries to shame. In God we make our boast all day long; and we will praise your name forever. Alleluia! Alleluia! You who fear him, trust in the Lord: he is their help and shield. Alleluia!

15. THE EPISTLE: Hebrews 9:24-28

²³ Thus it was necessary for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified with these rites, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴ For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

16. THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 5:25-29 (Stand)

²⁵ “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.

²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.

²⁷ And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. ²⁸ Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice

²⁹ and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.”

This is the Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

C: ♪ God be praised for His glad tidings.

17. THE 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From there He shall 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.

18. THE CHIEF HYMN: 537 vv. 1-5 “Day of Wrath”

1 Day of wrath, O day of mourning!
See fulfilled the prophet's warning:
Heav'n and earth in ashes burning.
Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth,
Through earth's sepulchers it ringeth,
All before the throne it bringeth.
O what fear man's bosom rendeth
When from heav'n the Judge descendeth
On whose sentence all dependeth.

2 Death is struck and nature quaking;
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.
Lo, the book, exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded;
Thence shall judgment be awarded.
When the Judge His seat attaineth,
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

3 What shall I, frail man, be pleading,
Who for me be interceding
When the just are mercy needing?
King of Majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,

Fount of pity, then befriend us!
Righteous Judge, for sin's pollution
Grant Thy gift of absolution
Ere the Day of Retribution.

4 Faint and weary Thou hast sought me,
On the cross of suff'ring bought me;
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?
Think, good Jesus, my salvation
Caused Thy wondrous incarnation;
Leave me not to sin's damnation!
Guilty now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning:
Hear, O Christ, Thy servant's groaning!

5 Bows my heart in meek submission,
Strewn with ashes of contrition;
Help me in my last condition!
Worthless are my prayers and sighing;
Yet, Good Lord, in grace complying,
Rescue me from fires undying.
Thou the sinful woman savedst;
Thou the dying thief forgavest;
Thus to me true hope vouchsafest!

THE SERMON: “Live Free From the Fear of Judgement”

Hebrews 9:27-28

19. THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (Stand)

P: Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

C: To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.

P: Look in mercy upon Your Church. Protect it and sanctify it by Your truth. May Your Word be taught in its purity and Your Sacraments be rightly administered. Grant unto Your Church faithful pastors who shall declare Your truth with power and shall live according to Your will.

Send forth laborers into Your harvest and open the door of faith unto all unbelievers and unto the people of Israel. In mercy remember the enemies of Your Church and grant to them repentance unto life.

C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.

P: Let Your protecting hand be over our country and over all who travel. Prosper what is good among us and bring to naught every evil counsel and purpose. Protect and bless Your servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, our judges and magistrates and all in authority. Fit them for their high calling by the gift of Your Spirit of wisdom and fear, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our helper.

P: According to Your promise, O God, be the defender of the widow and the father of the orphan. Relieve and comfort the sick and the sorrowful. Graciously help those who are assaulted by the devil and who are in peril of death. Be the strength of those who are suffering for the sake of Christ's holy name. Grant that we may live together in peace and prosperity. Bestow upon us good and seasonable weather; and bless us with upright Christian counsel in all that we undertake.

C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your Name.

P: We especially commend to Your care and keeping this Your congregation which You have bought with a great price. Keep from us all offenses and bind us together in the unity of Your holy love. Grant that the little ones who are baptized in Your name may be brought up in Your fear. At Your table give to those who there commune with You peace and life everlasting.

C: Let all rejoice who trust in You; let them shout for joy because You defend them.

P: In Your mercy look upon In Christ's name we pray.

C: Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.

P: Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

C: Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!

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

20. THE APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit † be with you all.

21. THE OFFERING

22. A HYMN: 517 vv. 1-4 “If God Himself Be for Me”

1 If God Himself be for me,
I may a host defy;
For when I pray, before me
My foes confounded fly.
If Christ, the Head, befriend me
If God be my support
The mischief they intend me
Shall quickly come to naught.

2 This I believe, yea, rather,
In this I make my boast,
That God is my dear Father,
The Friend who loves me most;
And that, whate'er betide me,
My Savior is at hand
Through stormy seas to guide me
And bring me safe to land.

3 I build on this foundation:
That Jesus and His blood
Alone are my salvation,
The true, eternal good.
Without Him all that pleases
Is valueless on earth;
The gifts bestowed by Jesus
Alone my love are worth.

4 My Jesus is my Splendor,
My soul's bright beaming Sun;
Were He not my Defender
Before God's awful throne,
I never should find favor
And mercy in His sight,
But be destroyed forever,
As darkness by the light.

23. THE COLLECT (*Stand*)

P: Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have given us Your holy and blessed Word, by which You also among us gather Your Christian Church. We humbly entreat You, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we receive Your Word with thankful hearts, and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith, and hope, and love, and at last obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: ♪ Amen.

24. THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with His favor and give † you peace.

C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.

25. CLOSING HYMN:54 “Beautiful Savior” (Sit)

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!

26. THE CLOSING PRAYER

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS for November 17, 2024

Voter's with potluck after service.

Wednesday 9:30 AM: **Women's Bible Study - Readings Related to Revelation**
7:00 PM: **Men & Women's Bible Study – Revelation**
ON PAUSE

Saturday 1:00 PM: Dealing with Grief Class

Sunday 9:00 AM: Sunday School & Bible Study
10:30 AM: **Divine Service with Communion**

Nov. 24th - Pie, & Thanksgiving Devotion around fire at 5:30 PM.

Nov. 25th - Men's Fellowship

Dec 4th, 11th and 18th - Wednesday Advent Services at 7:00 PM.