Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 14, 2021

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Kyrie

- **P** Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Confession & Absolution

- Let us confess our sin to God our Father:
 O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- We pour out our souls to you because by our own efforts we have failed.

 Nothing we have tried has worked. We have tried again and again and still we have failed.
- P O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- Save us from the embarrassment of our failure. Save us from envying those who have apparently succeeded.
 - Grant us some signs of success, that we not always be ashamed.
- P O Lord of hosts! Look on the affliction of your servants and remember us.
- You know our need. You know our struggles, our brokenness, our sins. You know that without your mercy we can do nothing.

 Grant us mercy, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

 Amen.
- Because of Jesus, God has forgiven all our sin. Hear the gospel of Christ from 1 John: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
- C Amen.



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Psalm Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

- As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.
- P The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
- P I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.
- Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.
- P You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

¹"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. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And 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."

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

Epistle Hebrews 10:11–25

¹¹Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

¹⁵And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

16/"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,"

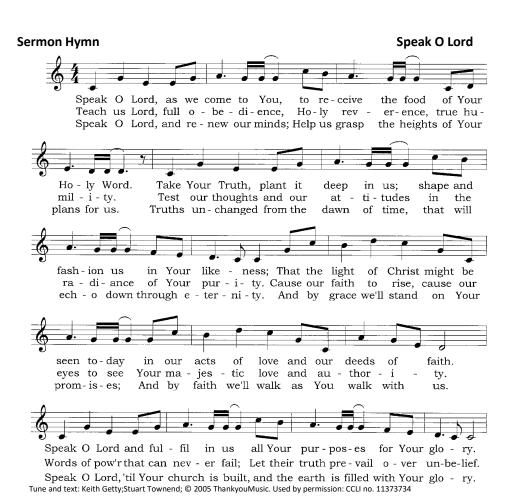
"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

¹⁷then he adds,

¹⁸Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

¹⁹Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

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



Holy Gospel Mark 13:1–13

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

¹As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!" ²And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

³And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴"Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. ⁷And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

³"But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. ¹⁰And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. ¹¹And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. ¹²And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. ¹³And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Prayer

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

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.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Holy Communion





Distribution Hymn #430

My Song Is Love Unknown



- 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away; A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay. Yet cheerful He To suff'ring goes That He His foes From thence might free.
- 6 In life no house, no home
 My Lord on earth might have;
 In death no friendly tomb
 But what a stranger gave.
 What may I say?
 Heav'n was His home
 But mine the tomb
 Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine! Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

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Nunc Dimittis

- P Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace according to Your Word.
- For my eyes have seen Your salvation,
 Which You have prepared before the face of all people;
 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of Your people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn #829 Christ the Eternal Lord sts. 1-2 Whose prom - ise 1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, here we claim. 2 Christ the un-chang-ing Word To ev - 'rv pass - ing Whose gifts of grace are free-ly poured On all who name Your name; Whose time-less teach-ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip-ture's page; With thank - ful - ness We and praise stand be - fore Your throne, Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who

In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo-ry known. With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.

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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 favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

Announcements

Today

- Bible Study 9:15 AM Masks Optional: Adults meet in the Sanctuary; Children meet downstairs
- Youth Confirmation 12:00 PM 12:45 PM
- Sunday Evening Prayer 5:30 PM
- No New Member Class

Tuesday

- Men's Bible Study 6:30 7:30 AM
- Youth Group 6:30- 8:00 PM

Wednesday

 Zoom Bible Study (The Screwtape Letters) 7:00 PM. Contact Aaron for a Zoom invitation.

Saturday

• Women of Faith Bible Study: 9:00 AM

Collections for our **Madison County Elementary Schools Mission** are underway! With the weather getting colder we are in need of the following:

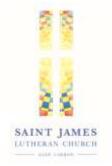
- Children's cloth face masks (Kindergarten 5th Grade) Boys & Girls
- Waterproof gloves: Children's Small, Medium, Large (Kindergarten 5th Grade)
- Hats: Children's Small, Medium, Large (Kindergarten 5th Grade)

All donations can be dropped off at the church. A collection bin will be located outside the church office by the stairwell. Thank you for serving the children in our area! If you have any questions, please call the church office 618-288-6120.

College Care Packages

23 Care packages filled with snacks, t-shirts and notes of encouragement and love (created by our Sunday school children) were mailed last week. A big thank you to Thrivent for funding the snacks and the Lange family for boxing and postage to ship all the goodies! Please continue to pray for our college students as the Lord guides them through these years of study and spiritual growth. Thank you to all who made this mission outreach possible!

A special thank you to all our St. James Family and our Community Group for all the prayers, cards, visits and support. Charlie is improving and we hope to have him home from rehab tomorrow, Nov. 15th. Charlie's birthday is right around the corner. If you'd like to send him a note of encouragement or birthday wishes, our address is in the church directory or available at the church office 618-288-6120. God's blessings, Marla Wolff.



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