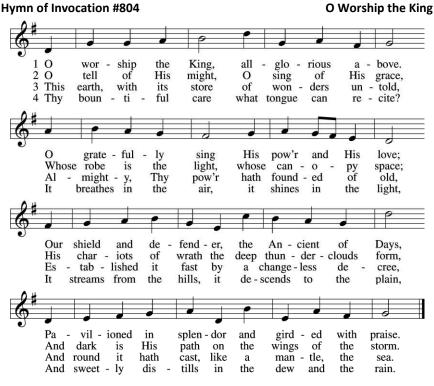
# The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

## November 13, 2022



5 Frail children of dust and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail. Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend! 6 O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
Thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.

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## **Confession and Absolution**

#### 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.

#### **Exhortation**

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

### **Confession of Sins**

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

#### **Absolution**

- P Upon this your confession, I announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Savior Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the 
  → Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen

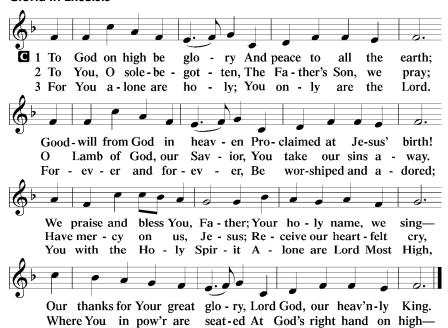
- P Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!
- The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.
- P On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.
- The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing."

## Service of the Word

Psalm Psalm 98

- P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
- The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- P He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
- P Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!
- With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!
- Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!
- Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together
- P before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.
- 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

#### Gloria in Excelsis



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## **Old Testament Reading**

Malachi 4

<sup>1</sup> "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad

<sup>4</sup>"Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

5"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

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

<sup>1</sup>Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, <sup>2</sup> and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. <sup>3</sup>But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. <sup>4</sup>And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. <sup>5</sup>May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

<sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

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

Holy Gospel Luke 21:5–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, <sup>6</sup>"As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." <sup>7</sup>And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" <sup>8</sup>And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. <sup>9</sup>And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

<sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. <sup>11</sup>There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. <sup>12</sup>But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. <sup>13</sup>This will be your opportunity to bear witness. <sup>14</sup>Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, <sup>15</sup>for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. <sup>16</sup>You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. <sup>17</sup>You will be hated by all for my name's sake. <sup>18</sup>But not a hair of your head will perish. <sup>19</sup>By your endurance you will gain your lives.

<sup>20</sup>"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. <sup>21</sup>Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, <sup>22</sup>for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. <sup>23</sup>Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. <sup>24</sup>They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

<sup>25</sup>"And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

**P** 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 \( \frac{1}{2} \) everlasting. Amen.



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## Sermon

## Offering

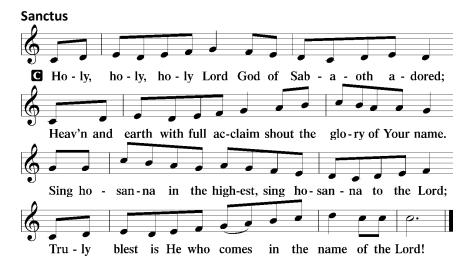
## **Prayer Response**

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

## Service of the Sacrament

#### **Preface**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

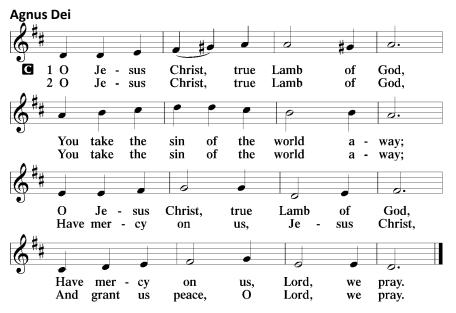


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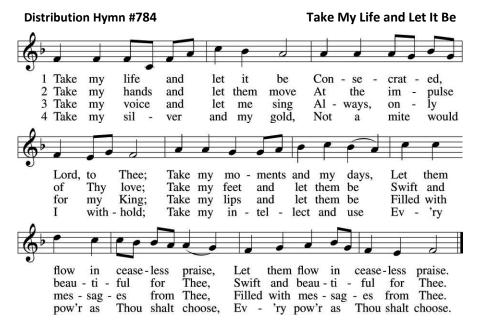
### **Lord's Prayer**

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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

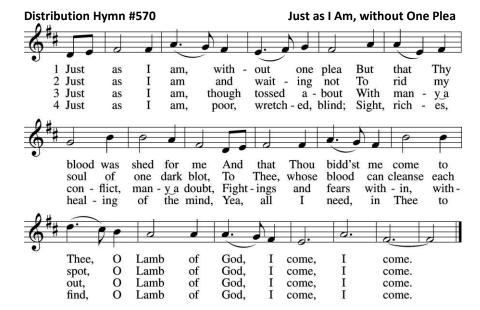


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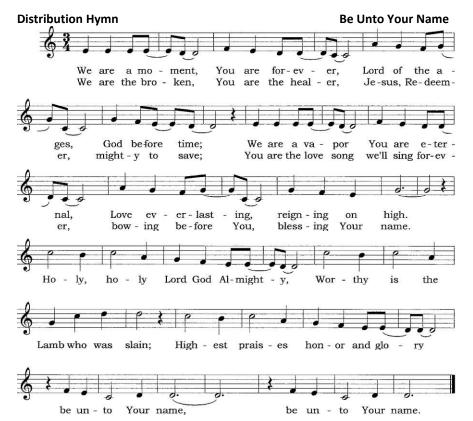
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

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- Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown Has broken ev'ry barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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#### The Dismissal

#### **Nunc Dimittis**



## **Benediction**

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- 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

Adult Bible Study and Sunday School - 10:30 AM Downstairs

Tuesday

Youth Group 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday

Men's Bible Study 6:30 – 7:30 AM

Saturday

Women's Bible Study – 9:00 AM

### Ministry Spotlight – Madison County Schools Ministry

The focus of our Madison County Elementary Schools Ministry is to provide for the physical needs of children in our surrounding cities. This is accomplished by the generous donations of our congregation toward a clothing drive for coats/hats/mittens, hoodies, Christmas gifts and holiday meals (when requested/needed) which are distributed through the local schools to children/families in need.

The following activities are currently underway:

#### COLD WEATHER CLOTHING

 <u>Hoodies</u> - We are currently collecting donations of hoodies (kids Large, XL, Adult Small, Medium) for both boys and girls, hats, and gloves/mittens for students in need who attend Granite City and Collinsville schools.

#### CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS!

We are honored to serve 31 children in our area schools for Christmas. Each child is signed up for an outfit and toy/item. The list is available on <u>Sign-up Genius</u>. Please join us in providing a wonderful Christmas for these children! All items should be delivered to the collection box at the top of the stairwell at St. James by Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> wrapped and with a gift tag showing the child's name, age, and sex.

If you would like to help sort and deliver gifts to the schools, or for more information about this ministry, please check out our website or contact Sandy Hall, Deaconess, Madison County Schools Ministry at <a href="mailto:Sandy@stjamesglencarbon.org">Sandy@stjamesglencarbon.org</a> or contact the church office.

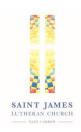
Operation Christmas Child — Today is the collection day deadline. If you forgot your box, please drop it by the church before the Tuesday Youth Group meeting.

<u>Lutheran Witness Subscription</u>— If you are interested in receiving a "Lutheran Witness" subscription at a reduce rate of \$18.00 per year, please contact Cheryl in the church office by November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Altar Guild is looking for volunteers to help set up <u>Christmas decorations</u> Saturday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM. Please see our website or contact Bev Tiemann via email at <u>bacakelady@att.net</u> or 618-288-4201 for more info.







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