

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

November 5, 2023

Hymn of Invocation

10,000 Reasons



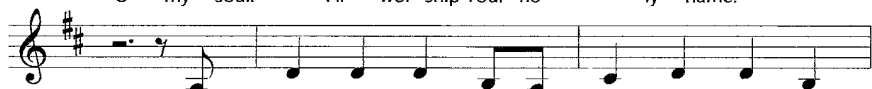
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul.



Wor-ship His ho - ly name. Sing like nev - er be - fore,



O my soul. I'll wor-ship Your ho - ly name.



The sun comes up; it's a new day dawn - ing.
You're rich in love and You're slow to an - ger.
And on that day when my strength is fail - ing,



It's time to sing Your song a - gain. What -
Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For
the end draws near and my time has come,



ev - er may pass and what ev - er lies be - fore me,
all Your goodness I will keep on sing - ing,
still my soul will sing your praise un - end - ing,



let me be sing - ing when the eve - ning comes. (Bless the)
ten thou - sand rea - sons for my heart to find. (Bless the)
ten thou - sand years and then for - ev - er - more. (Bless the)

Confession and Absolution

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Kyrie

To the tune New Britain ("Amazing Grace")

Look down in mercy on us, Lord.
Receive our prayers and praise,
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word,
For your amazing grace.

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Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Let us confess our sin to God:
O Lord, merciful Father, you keep covenant and steadfast love with those who love you and keep your commandments.
- C** **We confess that we have not listened to your servants the prophets. We have not heeded your law nor have we rejoiced in your gospel. We confess that things have fallen apart. But Lord, you keep covenant even when we do not. Your love is steadfast when ours is frail and fallible. You are faithful even when we are faithless. We want you to be our God and we want to be your covenant people. Grant us the gift of faith. By your Holy Spirit work in us steadfastness and singleness of heart, that we might manifest your love in the keeping of your commandments and the living of your gospel.**
- P** O Lord, merciful Father, hear our prayers in the name of your well-beloved Son, Jesus Christ, the mediator of the new and eternal covenant, to whom be glory forever and ever.
- C** Amen.
- 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
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- P** Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant;
- C** **I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.**
- P** I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like a mist;
- C** **Return to me, for I have redeemed you.**
- P** Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it; shout, O depths of the earth;
- C** **For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and will be glorified in Israel.**

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 87

- P** ¹On the holy mount stands the city he founded;
- C** ²**the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwelling places of Jacob.**
- P** ³Glorious things of you are spoken, O city of God.
- C** ⁴**Among those who know me I mention Rahab and Babylon; behold, Philistia and Tyre, with Cush— “This one was born there,” they say.**
- P** ⁵And of Zion it shall be said, “This one and that one were born in her”; for the Most High himself will establish her.
- C** ⁶**The LORD records as he registers the peoples, “This one was born there.”**
- P** ⁷Singers and dancers alike say, “All my springs are in you.”
- C** **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

To the tune Mendelssohn (“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”)

Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"
 God who flung the stars in space, God who formed the human race,
 God the mind and God the cause, God the source of nature's laws,
 God of wisdom, pow'r, and love, God of gods, all gods above.
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 God who saw your creatures fall, loved them still, and loved them all,
 Gave your only Son to prove what is mercy, what is love;
 And the Spirit, given free, recreates your family.
 Angels, sing, and earth reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 66:18–23

¹⁸“For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD.

²²“For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain.

²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Acts 1:1–8

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,



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;
 And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,
 Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,
 In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,



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.
 That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 28:16–20

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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

To the tune St Denio (“Immortal, Invisible”)

Great God, our Creator, from whom all receive
Their being and blessing, in you we believe.
Almighty, all-knowing, all-gracious, all-true,
Provider and Father, our trust is in you.

And you, Jesus Christ, we affirm as our Lord,
True son of the Father, by angels adored;
Redeemer incarnate, you paid for our sins,
And, joined in your rising, our new life begins.

Free Spirit of wisdom and power and love,
On us, as on Christ, you descend from above;
You call us, you cleanse us, you open our eyes,
You keep us in peace, you restore paradise.

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Sermon

Offering

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Prayer of the Church

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

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 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.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing...

Sanctus

To the tune Nicaea ("Holy, Holy, Holy")

"Holy, holy, holy!" all the saints in glory
Fill your temple with their song around your golden throne;
"Holy, holy, holy!" with them we adore Thee;
God in three persons, all in Christ as one.

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Lord's Prayer

- 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.**

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

To the tune Olivet ("My Faith Looks Up to Thee")

Meek, slaughtered lamb of God, Bearing the sinners' load To buy our peace:
Now risen and enthroned, With life and glory crowned, To all the lost and found
Please grant your peace.

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Distribution

Distribution Hymn # 411

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



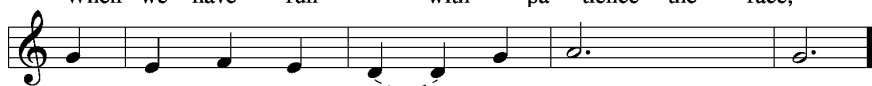
1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.
 Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
 When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.
 And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.



The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from His blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times they strew His way And His sweet prais - es
 4 Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might love - ly
 stow; But men made strange, and none The longed - for Christ would
 sing; Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas to their
 spite? He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their



be. Oh, who am I That for my sake
 know. But, oh, my friend, My friend in - deed,
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their breath,
 sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at these



My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
 Who at my need His life did spend!
 And for His death They thirst and cry.
 Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst Him rise.

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.

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!

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.

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Distribution Hymn

Before the Throne of God Above



Be - fore the throne of God ab - ove I have a strong and per - fect
When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
Be - hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect spot - less right - eous -



plea, a great High Priest whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
in, up - ward I look and see Him there, who made an end to all my
ness, the great un - change - a - ble "I Am", the King of glo - ry and of



me. My name is grav - en on His hands, my name is writ - ten on His
sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - iour died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
grace. One with Him - self I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased with His



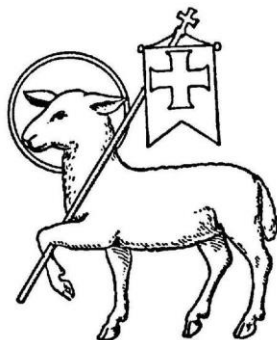
heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can
free, for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
Sav - iour and my God, with Christ, my Sav - iour and my God.

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The Dismissal



Closing Hymn # 849

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



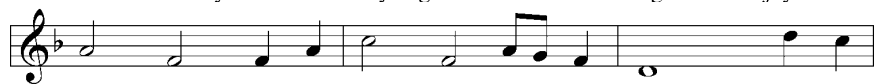
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
 3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
 gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
 in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
 With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
 That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
 wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
 glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
 Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
 praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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Benediction

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
 - C** **Thanks be to God.**
 - 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.**
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This Week at-a-Glance

Today

- Worship Service – 9:00 AM
- [Sunday School, 10:45 AM](#)
- [Adult Bible Study, 10:45 AM](#)
- Youth Confirmation 11:45 AM, Downstairs

Wednesday

- [Mens Bible Study](#) 6:30 – 7:30 AM
- [Youth Group](#) – 6:30 – 8:00 PM, Movie Night (Downstairs)

Saturday

- Women's Bible Study – 9:00 AM Downstairs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ministry Planning

We are very excited about our congregational event to be held on **Thursday, November 16th at 6:00 PM. Your input and attendance are vital to this process!** Dinner and childcare will be provided. Please contact Cheryl in the church office to sign up. cheryl@stjamesglencarbon.org or 618-288-6120.

New Adult Bible Study: A new adult Bible study is starting today at 10:45 AM in the sanctuary. This study will cover the book “When Helping Hurts,” How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor, by Steve Corbett & Brian Fikkert. This book is available in print, Kindle format and Amazon Audiobook. Please contact the church office for more information.

November Ministry Spotlight: – [Property Team](#)

In addition to maintaining our building and property, the Property Team has been hard at work researching and collecting bids for renovating the sanctuary/narthex! To see more about what the property team has been up to, go to <https://saintjamesglencarbon.org/property-team-411/> If you would like to be a part of this team, please contact our Property Deacon, Tim Schnicker at tim@saintjamesglencarbon.org.

“Surviving the Holidays,” a special free event for those grieving the loss of loved ones, will take place at Zion Lutheran Church, Bethalto, on Sunday, November 12, 2023, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Adults and teens are invited to hear a presentation about resources, strategies and tools for coping with grief during the holiday season. For more information, call the church office at 618-377-8314 or email churchoffice@zionbethalto.org

Metro-East Lutheran High School invites you to an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 12. Stop by anytime between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to tour our campus, meet our teachers, chat with administrators, and get answers to all of your questions about the Knight life. For more information, call the school office at 618-656-0043 or email admissions@melhs.org.

[Operation Christmas Child](#) is underway! What is Operation Christmas Child? People pack shoebox gifts to bless children in need around the world. After receiving a shoebox gift, children can enroll in a 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program, "The Greatest Journey." As a result of what they learn, boys and girls grow in Christ and share Him with others! Please take a shoebox, label and instructions from the narthex or downstairs and return it to church no later than November 12th. These shoeboxes should be packed, wrapped and returned by November 12th. Wondering what to pack? Start with a quality "wow" item such as a stuffed animal or soccer ball with pump that will capture the child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. To see more gift suggestions, please check out the St. James Operation Christmas Child [Shoebox Gift Suggestion Form](#). For more information about youth events or to get involved with the Youth Ministry Team please contact [Stacey Staake](#)

Mercy Ministries

Help [Glen-Ed Pantry Gather Fixing's for Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner Baskets](#). A special Thanksgiving and Christmas meal will be provided this year for Glen-Ed Pantry families. Here's what's most needed: instant potatoes (mashed or au gratin), gravy mixes, stuffing, yams, cranberry sauce, pineapple, canned fried onions and canned carrots and mixed vegetables. If you'd like to donate toward the purchase some perishable items like rolls, turkeys and hams, or pies please visit www.glenedpantry.org/donors and designate your donation "holiday baskets."

St. James Guiding Statement

Together we have found healing and hope in Jesus Christ and welcome others to experience these same Gospel promises.

St. James Mission Pillars

**Healing
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