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Growing God's Family

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**WE GIVE A WARM WELCOME TO THE VISITORS AND GUESTS AMONG US.
WE PRAY THAT TODAY'S SERVICE IS A BLESSING TO YOU. PLEASE COME AGAIN!**

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Mary Sutter, in memory of Paul Sutter.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER: We are celebrating the Sacrament of the Altar today. This is The Lord's Table. As a church and body of Christians we believe this:

We will be receiving the true body and blood of Jesus Christ, in, with and under, the bread and wine.

When we receive Jesus' true body and blood, we receive the forgiveness of sins.

By communing together with our Lord and one another, we express a common belief that Jesus is in truth the Son of God, and our Savior; He is present in this Sacrament in a very real way; that Christ's sacrificial death assures us of complete forgiveness of our sins; and that God is strengthening us in this Sacrament to live a life that honors God.

If you share all these convictions, then you are welcome to come and celebrate the blessings of our Altar today. Please note that cups at the center of each tray are "non-alcoholic" wine for those who prefer such for medicinal and personal reasons. Pastor Erler is available before service if you have any questions.

A **NURSERY** with an attendant is available during worship service. You are welcome to use this service. Ask an usher for directions.

PRAYERS FOR WORSHIP

BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

BEFORE COMMUNING

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

The Stand

Words and Music by
Joel Houston

VERSE 1

♩ = 77

1. You stood be - fore _ cre - a - tion, _ e - ter - ni - ty in _ Your hand .

_ You spoke the earth _ in - to mo - tion, my soul now _ to _ stand. _

VERSE 2 & 3

2. You stood be - fore _ my fail - ure, _ and
(3.) I'll walk up - on _ sal - va - tion, _ Your

car - ried the cross _ for my shame. _ My sin weighed up - on _ Your shoul -
Spir - it a - live _ in me. _ My life to de - clare _ Your prom -

PRE-CHORUS 1a

- ders, my soul now _ to _ stand. _ So what can I _ say? _
- ise, my soul now _ to _ stand. _

And what can I _ do, _ but of - fer this heart, _ O God, _

22 D

1. Em

2. Em

com-plete-ly _____ to You? _____ 3. So _____ to You? _____

PRE-CHORUS 1b

26 C Am Em

— So what can I — say? — And what can I — do, —

30 G Am⁷ D C G

but of-fer this heart, — O God, — com-plete-ly _____ to You. —

CHORUS

34 D Em C G D Em C G

So I'll stand, with arms high and heart a - ban - doned, — in awe of the

38 D Em C G D Em

One who gave it all. — I'll stand, my soul, Lord, to You sur - ren - dered.

41 1. C G D Em 2. C G D

repeat as desired

All I am — is Yours. — All I am — is Yours. —

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Please stand

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

Confession of Sins

- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins,
C **O Lord, who could stand?**
P But with You there is forgiveness;
C **therefore You are feared.**
P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

Absolution

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Please be seated

Your Grace Is Enough

Words and Music by
Matt Maher

♩ = 116

VERSE

G G/B C

1. Great is __ Your faith - ful - ness, __ O God; __
2. Great is __ Your love __ and jus - tice, God __ of Ja - cob;

5 Em G/B C

You wres - tle with __ the sin - ners rest - less heart. __
You use __ the weak __ to lead __ the strong. __

9 G G/B C

You lead __ us by __ still wa - ters in - to mer - cy
You lead __ us in __ the song __ of Your __ sal - va - tion,

13 Em G/B C

and noth - ing can __ keep us __ a - part. __ So, re -
and all __ Your peo - ple sing __ a - long. __

PRE-CHORUS

17 Am G/B Cmaj⁷ D

-mem - ber __ Your peo - ple, __ re - mem - ber __ Your chil - dren, __ re -

21 Em D G/B C

-mem - ber __ Your prom - ise __ O __ God. __ Your

CHORUS 1

25 G D Em⁷ C

grace is e - nough, — Your grace is e - nough — Your

29 G D C

grace is e - nough, — for _____ me. _____

1.

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The Time of the End

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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle

2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 13–15

Encouragement to Give Generously

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. . . .

¹³I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **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.**

Jesus Foretells Destruction of the Temple

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.”

Signs of the Close of the Age

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.

⁹“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.

G **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.**

Please be seated

The Lord Our God

Words and Music by
Kristian Stanfill and Jason Ingram

♩=72

VERSE

C Am⁷ F

1. Prom - ise mak - er, prom - ise keep - er, You fin - ish what _ You be - gin. _
2. In the si - lence, in the wait - ing, still we can know _ You are good. _

4 C Am⁷ F

Our pro - vi - sion through the des - ert, You see it through _ till the end. _
All Your plans are for Your glo - ry; Yes, we can know _ You are good. _

§ **CHORUS**

8 C Am⁷ F C C

You see it through _ till the end. _ The Lord our God is
Yes, we can know _ You are good. _

12 Am⁷ F C Am⁷ F

ev - er faith - ful, _ nev - er chang - ing _ through the ag - es. _

15 C Am⁷ F C

_ From this dark - ness _ You will lead us, _ and for - ev - er we will _

Last time to Coda ⊕

BRIDGE 1a

18 Am⁷ F C N.C.

_ say, "You're the Lord our God." We won't move with-out _ You. _

22

_ We won't move with-out _ You. _ You're the light of all _ and all _ that we _ need. _

BRIDGE 1b

25 C Am⁷ F

We won't move with - out ___ You. ___ We won't move with - out ___ You. _

Detailed description: This is the first line of the musical score for the bridge. It starts at measure 25. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "We won't move with - out ___ You. ___ We won't move with - out ___ You. _". Chords are indicated above the staff: C for the first two measures, Am⁷ for the next two, and F for the final two.

27 C Am⁷ F D.S. al Coda

— You're the light of all ___ and all ___ that we ___ need. _

Detailed description: This is the second line of the musical score. It starts at measure 27. The melody continues on the treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "— You're the light of all ___ and all ___ that we ___ need. _". Chords are indicated above the staff: C, Am⁷, and F. The line ends with a double bar line and the instruction "D.S. al Coda".

⊕ Coda

30 C Am⁷ F

God." And for - ev - er we will ___ say, "You're the Lord our

Detailed description: This is the third line of the musical score, starting at measure 30. The melody continues on the treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "God." And for - ev - er we will ___ say, "You're the Lord our". Chords are indicated above the staff: C, Am⁷, and F. The line ends with a double bar line.

ENDING

32 C Am⁷ F C

God." ___ And for - ev - er we will ___ say, "You're the Lord our God."

Detailed description: This is the fourth line of the musical score, starting at measure 32. The melody continues on the treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "God." ___ And for - ev - er we will ___ say, "You're the Lord our God.". Chords are indicated above the staff: C, Am⁷, F, and C. The line ends with a double bar line.

35 Am⁷ F C Am⁷ F C

Detailed description: This is the fifth and final line of the musical score, starting at measure 35. The staff contains rhythmic patterns (diagonal slashes) and rests, with no lyrics. Chords are indicated above the staff: Am⁷, F, C, Am⁷, F, and C. The line ends with a double bar line.

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Sermon

Please stand

Prayers of the Church

The Pastor will end each petition with the phrase, "Lord in your mercy."

The Congregation will respond, "**Hear our prayer.**"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

- P** Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and He has taught us:

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.**

Words of Institution

Please be seated

Please note:

St. Mark Lutheran Church is a congregation and a body of Christians believing firmly God's Word which says that in Holy Communion we truly and really receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus as we receive the earthly elements of bread and wine. His body and blood are not symbolically present or spiritually received, but real and tangible in the bread and wine, with the bread and wine, under the bread and wine by the authority of Jesus' words, and given to us as His pledge of love and forgiveness.

Holy Communion is a gift of God intended for those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Christian Faith. Within our Lutheran Church, we ask that a confirmation be done according to our Lutheran understanding. It is imperative, according to 1 Corinthians 11:27-29, for a communicant to spiritually examine himself before coming to the Lord's Table.

A brief examination would include answering "Yes" to the following five questions:

Do you believe that you are a sinner by nature and by choice?

Are you truly sorry for your sins?

Do you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior from sin Who graciously forgives your sins?

Do you intend, by the power of the Holy Spirit to make the needed changes in your sinful life?

Do you believe you receive the true body and blood of Jesus in, with, and under the bread and wine?

Distribution

Please stand

Post-Communion Collect

P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

A 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

All The People Said Amen

Words and Music by
Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan
and Paul Moak

♩ = 96

VERSE 1

G² D A G² D A G² D

1. You are not a-lone

A Bm G² D A Bm

if you are lone-ly. When you feel a-fraid, you're not the on-ly.

G² D A Bm Em Bm⁷

We are all the same, in need of mer-cy, to be for-giv-en and be

A Em Bm⁷ A

free. It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need.

⌘ **CHORUS**

D A D G D

And all the peo-ple said, "A-men." Whoa. And all the peo-ple said, "A-

A⁽⁴⁾ G D F# Bm

-men." Give thanks to the Lord, for His love nev-er ends.

VERSE 2

G A G D G D G² D

And all the peo-ple said, "A-men." 2. If you're rich or poor,

A Bm G² D A Bm

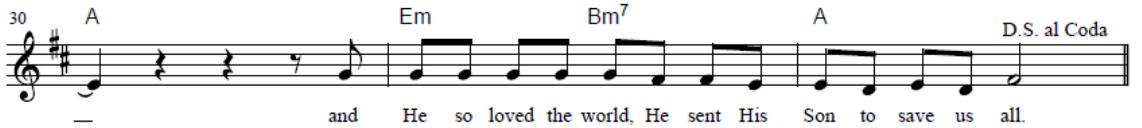
well, it don't mat-ter. Weak or strong, you know love is what we're af-ter.

27 G^2 D A Bm Em Bm^7/D



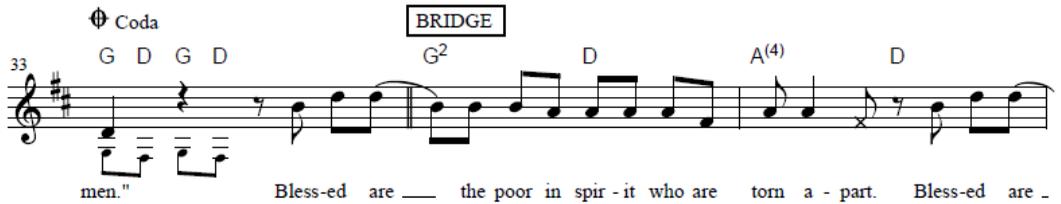
We're all bro - ken, but we're all in this to - geth - er. — God knows we stum - ble and fall, .

30 A Em Bm^7 A D.S. al Coda



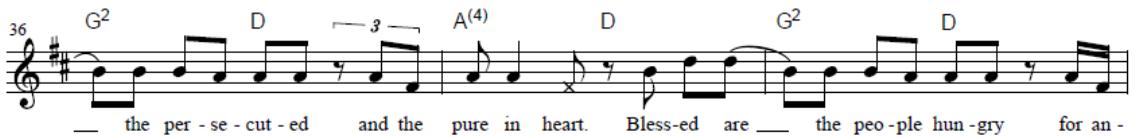
— and He so loved the world, He sent His Son to save us all.

33 Φ Coda BRIDGE G^2 D $A^{(4)}$ D



men." Bless-ed are — the poor in spir - it who are tom a - part. Bless-ed are —

36 G^2 D $A^{(4)}$ D G^2 D



— the per - se - cut - ed and the pure in heart. Bless-ed are — the peo - ple hun - gry for an -

39 $A^{(4)}$ Bm E A



-oth - er start, — for theirs is the king - dom, the king - dom of God. —

CHORUS

42 D A D G D



And all the peo - ple said, "A - men." Whoa. — And all the peo - ple said, "A -

45 $A^{(4)}$ G D $F^\#$ Bm



-men." Give thanks to the Lord, — for His love — nev - er ends. —

48 G A

And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

50 Bm G A G D G D

2. ENDING

- men." And all the peo - ple said, "A - men."

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MAXIMIZING GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR HIS GLORY

BUT SINCE YOU EXCEL IN EVERYTHING

—
IN FAITH, IN SPEECH, IN KNOWLEDGE,
IN COMPLETE EARNESTNESS AND
IN THE LOVE WE HAVE KINDLED IN YOU

—
SEE THAT YOU ALSO EXCEL IN THIS

grace
— OF —
GIVING.

2 CORINTHIANS 8:7