

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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Worship Services Sundays
8:00 am & 10:30 am Monday
Evenings 7:00 pm

The Church Year

The Epistle, Romans 11:33–36, continues the consecutive readings from Paul’s magnificent letter. Paul does not question God’s wisdom or grace, although only some are saved. Instead he marvels at God’s unfathomable wisdom.

The Gospel for the day, Matthew 16:13–20, brings us Peter’s clear confession of who Jesus is, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” This knowledge was revealed to Peter by God the Father. This must always be the creed of true believers. Where this confession is made, the church rests safe from Satan even when it may not look like it. With this confession Christians have the authority to pronounce sins forgiven or not forgiven.

227 Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs



1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With
 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon -
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one To



an - gels round the throne. Ten thou - sand thou - sand
 be ex - alt - ed thus." "Wor - thy the Lamb," our
 or and pow'r di - vine; And bless - ings more than
 bless the sa - cred name Of him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.
 lips re - ply, "For he was slain for us."
 we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
 on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.
 Tune: NUN DANKET ALL (CM) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.

Confession of Sins:

Lord God Almighty, you have brought us together and made us one family, one church. But so often, we do not act as a loving family. Instead we are selfish. We do not work together. We do not care about each other. We do not set aside our personal desires and work for the common good of your kingdom. For all of our failures, for all of our sins, for all that we have done, said and thought, forgive us.

304 Jesus Sinners Does Receive

6 Oh, how blest is it to know, Were as scarlet my transgression,
 It shall be as white as snow By your blood and bitter passion,
 For these words I do believe—Jesus sinners does receive.

7 Jesus sinners does receive. Even I have been forgiven.
 And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.
 Dying, still to him I cleave—Jesus sinners does receive.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Romans 11:33–36 (NIV84)

³³Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

³⁴“Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”

³⁵“Who has ever given to God, that God should repay him?”

³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

Matthew 16:13–20 (NIV84)

¹³When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

¹⁴They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

¹⁶Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven.

¹⁸And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

²⁰Then he warned his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

369 Beautiful Savior

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!

Sermon Text: John 1:41

Theme: Discovering 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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God The Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

THE PREFACE (spoken)

P: Oh may the good Lord be with you
C: And may the Lord be with you too.
P: Oh, Praise Him!
C: Alleluia!
P: With hearts uplifted thank the Lord.
C: We lift them up. Be God adored!
P: Oh, praise Him!
C: Alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING-----Pastor

Always and everywhere praise and thanks are due to You, O Lord, holy Father, God of life eternal, through Jesus Christ our paschal Lamb, Lamb, sacrificed to take away our sins and raised again that death might be swallowed up in everlasting victory. With thanks and joy we join the hymn offered by your faithful always and everywhere.

THE SANCTUS-----Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Heav'nly host proclaim Your glory,
Holy, holy, holy Lord.
All on earth repeat the story,
God of hosts, by all adored.
Blest is he who comes, victorious,
In the name of God the King!
Our hosannas, glad and glorious,
To the Lord of all we sing!

THE CONSECRATION

THE AGNUS DEI -----Galilean

Lamb of God, our mighty Savior,
All our sins You take away.
Lamb of God, by Your great favor,
Lord, have mercy now, hew pray.
Lamb of God, our prayers attending,
Never let Your mercies cease,
But, your Holy Spirit sending,
Grant us all Your gift of peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

The Lord's Prayer

THE BENEDICTION