

The graphic features the year '2020' in a large, bold, sans-serif font. The first '2' and the first '0' are olive green, while the second '2' and the second '0' are a teal color. A bright sunburst effect is centered between the two '0's. Below the year, the word 'VISION' is written in a smaller, bold, black, sans-serif font, with each letter centered under a corresponding digit of the year above it.

2020
VISION

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Jesus Delights in the Faith He Creates

October 28, 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us. But we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, filled with activity pages and books; a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons with a rocking chair, children's books and toys; Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.

SERVICE NOTES FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

On his way to Jerusalem to die for all our sins, Jesus pauses for something remarkable. When a blind beggar yells, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me," Jesus accepts that title and heals the man. But "Son of David" means Jesus is the Jewish king. Doesn't Jesus know such titles will shortly get him killed? He knows that well. He knows about the crown of thorns he will soon wear. He restores Bartimaeus' sight anyway—mercifully and fearlessly. Then he praises the man's God-given faith. Again, how astonishing!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

All praise to you, O Lord, because you have chosen me and saved me! Amen.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist

Pastor Jon Ladner

Organist

Sasha Schallert

Ushers

Andrew Boyd, Larry Gens

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HYMN

Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices | **194**

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Because of our sins we are lost in darkness, wandering on the road to an eternal exile in hell. Through Jesus, however, we can shout for joy, because he has saved us and brought us back. He has dried our tears and will take us to our eternal home in heaven.

⁷This is what the LORD says.

Sing with joy for Jacob,
and shout for the greatest of the nations.

Make your praises heard and say,

“LORD, save your people,
the remnant of Israel!”

⁸Watch, I will bring them from a land in the north
and gather them from the ends of the earth.

The blind and the lame will be there,
the pregnant woman together with the woman in labor.

They will return as a huge community.

⁹They will come weeping.

They will pray as I bring them back.

I will lead them beside streams of water,
on a level path where they will not stumble.

For I am a father to Israel.

Ephraim is my firstborn.

PSALM OF THE DAY

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Psalm 142

Refrain



I cry a-loud to the Lord; I raise my voice to God; I



cry a-loud to the Lord, my God: Lord, have mer-cy.

Psalm Tone



I cry aloud to the LORD;
I lift up my voice to the LORD for mercy.
I pour out my complaint before him;
before him I tell my trouble.

When my spirit grows faint within me,
it is you who know my way.
Look to my right and see; no one is concerned for me.
I have no refuge; no one cares for my life.

Refrain

I cry to you, O LORD;
I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."
Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need;
rescue me from those who pursue me, for they are too strong for me.

Set me free from my prison,
that I may praise your name.
Then the righteous will gather about me
because of your goodness to me.

**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.**

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 5:1-10

Jesus did not need to offer up sacrifices for himself. Instead, through his perfect obedience, he offered up the sacrifice that paid for sin and won salvation for all mankind.

To be sure, every high priest is chosen from the people and is appointed to represent the people in the things pertaining to God, so that he may offer gifts, as well as sacrifices, for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also weak in many ways. ³And for this reason he is obligated to offer sacrifices for his own sins, just as he does for the people.

⁴No one takes this honor on himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵In the same way, Christ did not take the glory of becoming a high priest on himself, but God said to him:

You are my Son.

Today I have begotten you.

⁶He also said the same thing in another place:

You are a priest forever, like Melchizedek.

⁷In the days of his flesh, he offered prayers and pleas with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸Although he was the Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. ⁹After he was brought to his goal, he became the source of eternal salvation for everyone who obeys him, ¹⁰because he was designated by God as a high priest, like Melchizedek.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Ephesians 2:10a, EHV

Alleluia. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus
for good works. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:46–52

We know that following Jesus, even if it leads to sorrows of many kinds, is the way to thank him for all his mercies. It gives evidence of our faith in him.

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, a blind man, Bartimaeus the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the road begging. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus the Nazarene, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many told him to be quiet, but he kept shouting all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

⁴⁹Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

They called the blind man, saying, "Cheer up! Get up. He is calling you!"

⁵⁰He tossed aside his outer garment, jumped up, and went to Jesus.

⁵¹“What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him.

The blind man replied, “*Rabboni*, I want to see again.”

⁵²Jesus told him, “Go. Your faith has made you well.” Immediately he received his sight and began following Jesus on the road.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound | 379

SERMON THEME

Bartimaeus: A Blind Man with 20/20 Vision | **Mark 10:46-52**

- I. He saw himself with 20/20 vision
- II. He saw his Savior with 20/20 vision
- III. He saw his prayer answered with 20/20 vision

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OFFERING

Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to give an offering.

Please record your visit on the Connection Card.

HYMN

When in the Hour of Utmost Need | 413

CLOSING HYMN

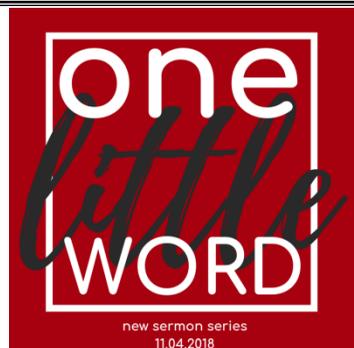
To God Be the Glory | 399

NEW SERMON SERIES:

In his famous hymn, *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, the reformer Martin Luther wrote:

The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

Satan is the grim prince. He is deadly. He is a devouring, fearsome dragon. But he is nothing against the Word. During the four week season of End Time, we examine four little words that have the power to cause the devil to fall.



11/04 – Grace
11/11 – Innocent
11/18 – Deliverance
11/25 – Jesus

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO PASTOR LADNER for leading Bible study and worship this Sunday.

PASTOR WESTPHAL will be returning late on Tuesday evening. If hospitalized, contact the WELS Twin Cities chaplain, Pastor Mark Com (651-451-3832). If you need other pastoral aid, please contact Cross of Christ, Coon Rapids (763.786.0637).

WHAT A BLESSING - THANK YOU

to all of the **walkers** that handed out door hangers last Sunday, to the **workers** that helped with fall clean-up yesterday and to **everyone that helped** with the Trunk or Treat event.

FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY is next Sunday with a chicken dinner after the service. We need to have an estimated count for the caterers. Please feel free to bring a friend. You can **sign-up** on the back of the Connection Card or at the Information Center.

FORWARD IN CHRIST new editions are in the Information Center.

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WEST LUTHERAN

'Superheroes' Play Nov. 3 2 pm and 7 pm
Nov. 4 2 pm

More information is posted on the bulletin board.

Calendar Week

Today

Sunday School	9:00 am
Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Fellowship	11:00 am
Wise Penny Work Day	

Monday

No Men's Growth Group

Tuesday

No Bible Class

Wednesday

Choir 6:45 pm

Saturday

Annual Planning Mtg 9:00 am
Set-up for dinner

Sunday – **Friendship Festival**

Sunday School	9:00 am
Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Chicken Dinner	11:00 am

Serving In The Lord

Ushers

Today:	Andrew Boyd Larry Gens
Next Sunday:	Isaac Hill

Organist

Today:	Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday:	Sasha Schallert

November Money Counters

Larry Gens, Kirk Graen

Blessings From The Lord

Attendance

Sunday School – 2
Bible Study – 16
Sunday Service – 58

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