

# A Guide to the Divine Service

9:00 a.m.

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## Twentieth Sunday after Trinity *Jesus Invites Us to His Wedding Feast to Receive Abundant Righteousness*

The Holy Spirit sounds forth the Gospel call: “*See, I have prepared my dinner ... Come to the wedding feast*” (Matt. 22:1–14). But many reject this invitation in favor of worldly pursuits. And so the call goes out to others, both the good and the bad, since the wedding invitation is not based on the qualifications of those invited but on the basis of the merits and work of Christ. The feast is free: “*He who has no money, come, buy and eat ... delight yourselves in rich food.*” (Is. 55:1–9). Those rejecting the Spirit’s work shall experience God’s wrath and judgment. Those who are not clothed in Christ’s righteousness shall be cast into outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us therefore seek the Lord while He may be found, for He will have mercy upon us. Let us redeem the time, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ (Eph 5:15–21).



## Readings for Next Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Prophecy of the Day:	Isaiah 25:6-9
Epistle of the Day:	Ephesians 6:10-17
Holy Gospel of the Day:	St. John 4:46b-53

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*Omnia quae fecisti nobis, Domine,  
in vero iudicio fecisti*  
“All that Thou have done for us, Lord,  
Thou hast done in good judgment”

## **Twentieth Sunday after Trinity** **The Great Supper Sunday**

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## NOTE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout history, "closed communion" is observed here, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those who:

- (a) are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
- (b) have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scriptures as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, have been confirmed in this Lutheran faith and practice, and now embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced in this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament the real Body and Blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) repent of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services who are able to affirm these facts should speak to our pastor or the elder on duty before receiving the Sacrament. To other guests with us today, we express to you our sincere interest, friendship, and concern, and we assure you that it is for the spiritual welfare of all that we practice closed communion. Those desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to speak with our pastor.

### The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptismal Hymn

**"All Who Believe and Are Baptized" #601**

Baptism of Hae Dam Lee

[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Processional

Hymn **"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #686**

**Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution p. 184**

### The Service of the Word begins with the Introit

The Lord is righteous in all He has done to us,

**for we have not obeyed His commandments.**

Glorify Your name, O Lord;

**and deal with us according to Your great mercy.**

Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised

**in the city of our God, His holy mountain.**

We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,

**in the midst of Your temple.**

As Your name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

**Your right hand is filled with righteousness.**

Let Mount Zion be glad!

**Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of Your judgments!**

(Ps. 48:1, 9-11; antiphon: Liturgical Text)

**Gloria Patri, Kyrie p. 186**

**Gloria in Excelsis p. 187**

**Salutation p. 189**

**Collect for the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity – O Lord,** grant to Your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve You with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

**A - - - men!**

[We are seated]

Prophecy of the Day **Isaiah 54:17b-55:11**

*[The Compassion of the LORD]*

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

### **Gradual**

The eyes of all look to You,

**and You give them their food in due season.**

You open Your hand;

**You satisfy the desire of every living thing.**

(Ps. 145:15-16)

Epistle of the Day **Ephesians 5:15-21**

*[Giving thanks always and for everything]*

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

[We rise]

**Triple Alleluia p. 190**

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Holy Gospel of the Day **St. Matthew 22:1-14**

*[The Parable of the Wedding Feast]*

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**Nicene Creed p. 191**

[We are seated]

Hymn of the Day

**"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" #563**

Sermon

[We rise]

**Offertory p. 192**

[We are seated]

**The offering is received**

*God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!*

[We rise]

**Prayer of the Church**

*[Please review our Communion Policy inside this Guide]*

**The Service of the Sacrament p. 194**

[We are seated for the Distribution of the Body & Blood of Christ]

Hymn **"At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" #633**

[We rise] **Doxology #805**

**Dismissal, Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, p. 199**

**Salutation, Benedicamus, Benediction p. 201**

[We are seated for announcements]

[We rise for the Recessional Hymn]

**"Praise the Almighty" #797**

