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The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2024

Welcome to worship!

Throughout the service, you will be invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able and as you feel comfortable.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, for it is Christ who does the inviting. An usher will let you know when it is your row's turn to come forward. Bread, gluten-free wafers, red wine, and white juice are all available. Please tell the pastor you need a gluten-free wafer when it is your turn.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS- *The congregation is invited to stand, sit, or kneel, as able.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

We confess that we have honored you with our lips,

but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.

The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.

In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

Draw near to us with grace in time of need,

and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, **you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

“Step By Step”

D(no3) G G² G D/F# D C/E C/D
 O God, you are my God, and I will ev - er praise

G D(no3) G G² D/F# D
 you. O God, you are my God, and

C/E C/D G G² G Em C/E Em
 I will ev - er praise you. I will seek you in the morn-

Dsus D Am/E Am/C Am
 - ing, and I will learn to walk in your ways, and

G G² G D/F# D C/D Am/D D⁷sus
 step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol - low you all of my

¹G D(no3) ²G G² G Em
 days. O days, and I will fol - low you all of my

Dsus D Am⁷ F C D⁷sus
 days, and I will fol - low you all of my days, and

G²/D D C/D G
 step by step you'll lead me, and I will fol - low you all of my days.

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WORD -The congregation may be seated.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases, yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with affliction. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors, yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors.

PSALM 91

Refrain *mf*

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble, be

To verses

with me, Lord, I pray.

Last time

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Most High,
Who abides in the shadow of our God,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge and fortress. The God in whom I trust."

No evil shall befall you, no pain come near,
For the angels stand close by your side,
Guarding you always and bearing you gently, watching over you.

Those who cling to the Lord live secure in God's love,
Lifted high, those who trust in God's name,
Call on the Lord who will never forsake you,
God will bring you salvation and joy.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness, and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest but was appointed by^[a] the one who said to him,

“You are my Son; today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered, and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The holy gospel according to Mark, the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Appoint us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized, but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Hymnal #773

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me
 2. When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws

stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the
 near, when my life is al - most gone, Hear my
 near, and the day is past and gone, at the

storm, through the night, lead me on to the light. Take my
 cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall. take my
 riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand. Take my

hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.
 hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me home.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assembly is invited into prayer:

Challenged by God’s Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

(A brief silence)

*After each petition, “God of grace, **hear our prayer.**”*

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation greets one another with the words “peace be with you” or “God’s peace” and a sign of peace—a wave, a handshake, a peace sign, etc.

MEAL

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You” Jay Althouse

Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues:

Eternal God,
in the abundance of your love
you have caused all things to be;
from dust and spirit, you have woven our humanity;
in all our wanderings, you never cease to call us to fullness of life.
You gave us Jesus, son of Mary,
the bread of life, broken for the world;
he fed us and feasted with us;
he healed us and suffered for us;
his dying and rising have set us free
from the poverty of sin and the famine of death.
Therefore, with all whom you have made, cherished, and called,
with all who hunger for your kingdom
and will not rest until all your children are fed,
with the broken saints and redeemed sinners of all the ages,
we take up the song of your praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon these gifts,
that these fragile, earthly things
may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ;
who, on the night that he was betrayed,
gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom.
Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said:

“This is my body, which is given for you.

Do this to remember me.”

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying:

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.”

As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste
beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, in our eating and drinking
we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ;
we proclaim him as creation’s host,
transforming poverty into plenty
in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope
that one day death and greed will be no more
and people without number
will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,
by whom and with whom and in whom
in the unity of the Holy Spirit
all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Steven Shakespeare, Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Church Publishing (New York, NY: 2009).

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes you to this table.
Come, here is your God.

DISTRIBUTION

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table.
 Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

God all mighty, God most merciful † bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

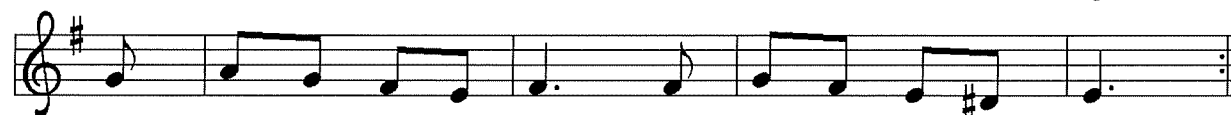
Hymnal #538

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

Enviado soy de Dios



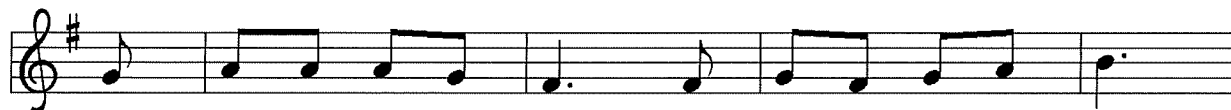
En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta, es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,



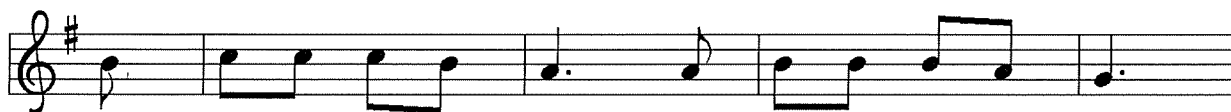
pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.



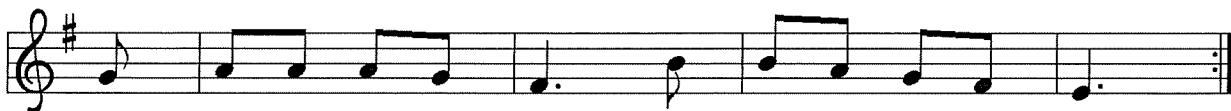
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain



un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;



me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.



A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

We invite you to remain seated quietly for the postlude. If you exit during the postlude, please refrain from conversation until you are outside of the sanctuary. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Luther Hall immediately following the service.

POSTLUDE

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Presider: Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth

Assisting Minister: Anne Voth

Musicians: Justin Hershey and Max Chodos

Lector: Karen Johns

Ushers: Marilyn Monell and Mikki Beck

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Are you new to San Marcos Lutheran Church? Pastor Casey would love the opportunity to get to know you, and has put together a short, confidential, online form. Your smartphone's QR reader can take you to it using this code.

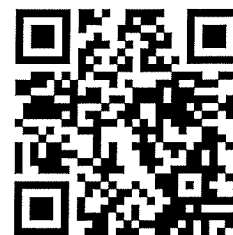
If technology isn't your cup of tea (or if it just isn't working for you today) there are cream-colored cards in the pew in front of you, which you can fill out and put in the silver offering plates, hand to an usher, or hand to Pastor Casey after the service. We're glad you're here!



Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers: The Arney family and daughter, Dawn, Christine Buma, Jim Cavolt, Sue Check, Bill Hanson, Jolene Hanson, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Susan Kent, Gary Kloehn, Laura, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson, Leanne Pohrman, Alvar Roy, Roy Smith, Vern Soderstrom, Marilyn Smith, Dawn Steele, Louise Testerman, Elijah Toler, Nick Torres, Kelly Van Jen. Let us pray for our homebound members: Dottie Black, Beverly Gift, Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! **Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community.** Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support!

You can contribute in any of the following ways:



- Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays;
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
- Set up a recurring donation through your bank;
- Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Tithe.ly, our online giving portal. Visit sanmarcoslutheran.org/give to get started.

Your smartphone's QR reader can take you there by scanning this code. *San Marcos Lutheran Church is a 501(c)(3) organization, and your gift may be tax-deductible.*

Blessing Bag Assembly – TODAY

During Community Time @ 11:15am - Please join us and help assemble blessing bags for those in need. See Brother Jack for questions.

Cares Closet- Open Wed. Oct 23

For those that missed our Sidewalk Sale for Scholarships on 10/12, the Cares closet will be open this Wed. Oct 23rd from 10-12:30. We hope you can stop by and do some shopping to support the Preschool Scholarship program.

Outdoor Office Hours Thursday, October 24

Pastor Casey's final evening office hours of the season (aka Daylight Saving Time) are coming up on Thursday, October 24. Meet up any time between 4pm and 6pm at Local Roots Pizza & Tap (1430 Vantage Ct Suite 101, Vista, CA) for a beverage—kombucha, beer, wine, seltzer, and non-alcoholic drinks are all served—and conversation. Kids and dogs are welcome, and (as the name suggests) they serve pizza. See you there!

New Member Welcome - Sunday, October 27

If you are interested in becoming a member of SMLC (or learning what that means) contact Pastor Casey! We will welcome new members during the worship service on Sunday, October 27. All are welcome!

Lutheran Disaster Relief Donations needed for those affected in the southeast with hurricane recovery!

Those wishing to donate can write a check to the church with a memo about hurricane relief, or they can donate directly online to LDR:

<https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/Our-Impact/Hurricane-Response>

Committee Members Needed

September and October are the times the Council starts planning for next year. We are currently in need of people to serve on the Nominating Committee and the Budget Committee. These are both short-term commitments with very few meetings and time requirements. Both committees are important with impact on our Council and how our church will operate in 2025.

If you are interested please talk to Dan Norris or Pastor Casey (you can also express interest via email: council@sanmarcoslutheran.org, or pastor@sanmarcoslutheran.org).

All Saints' Sunday is November 3rd

In honor of All Saints' Day, please bring a memento of your loved ones who have died to place at the altar. These can be photographs, a small object that belonged to them, or something that represents them or a memory you shared. You can bring it forward before the service begins, or Pastor Casey will remind you during the sharing of prayer requests and thanksgivings.

Vigil on the Eve of the National Election, Monday, November 4th, 4pm-8pm

Drop in for a peaceful and reflecting evening of prayer, music, and contemplation. Enjoy inspiring slides, a prayer booklet, candle lighting, and expression through writing. All are welcome at San Marcos Lutheran Church to pray, reflect, and seek peace.

Audio & Visual Volunteers Needed

Help enhance our Sunday Worship experience! Our Communications Coordinator, Adriana Alfaro, is seeking volunteers to assist with Audio and Visual equipment. No experience necessary - training provided! Contact us to learn more and sign up! email: comms@sanmarcoslutheran.org

ALL SAINTS FOOD PANTRY This October we're focusing on the #1 requested shelf-stable protein: Peanut Butter, along with its often-forgotten companion, Jelly. We're also asking for every kid's favorite food – Macaroni & Cheese – and since you can't make Mac & Cheese without Milk, we're adding shelf-stable Milk to the list. As always, thank you for supporting our neighbors in need. We distribute food at All Saints Episcopal Church in Vista on the 3rd and 4th Saturdays of every month. If you'd like to be added to the rotation for volunteering, please contact Doris Payne, dorispayne3247@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed to Serve Food

We are currently seeking people to help serve food and coordinate an activity after serving a meal to residents of Interfaith, at the Turk Center on Sunday, November 17th from 4:00-6:30 pm and again on Sunday, December 15th from 4:00-6:30 pm. The Turk Center provides temporary housing for unhoused individuals recuperating from an illness. The focus of serving meals has changed and volunteers now not only serve food but also coordinate a game (i.e., Bingo) or another game or craft after the meal. This provides volunteers a chance to interact with the residents, which is a wonderful opportunity!

If you are interested in volunteering for 11/17 or 12/15 please email Beth Sullivan at beth@pa3.com or call her at 847-254-0212. Volunteers are also welcomed to serve the 3rd Sunday of any month in the future.