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Mark 10:45

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**Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
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A warm welcome to those who are visiting us today. You may hang your coat in the entry way of the church or on the coat rack downstairs. The bathrooms are located in the lower level of this building. Before you go home today, please sign our guest book located on the podium in the entry way. Also, refreshments are served in the fellowship hall after our service this morning. We invite you to join us for something to eat and drink.

Our lower level is wired for sound. If you need to take your child out during the service, you won't miss any of the sermon. The service is also simulcast on the church's Facebook page.

In the unlikely event of an emergency during this morning's service, you can exit the building using the main entryway or the exit to the right of the chancel. Our building does have a fire alarm system which is wired directly to the fire department. Remember, we follow the "Run, Hide, Fight" response in an emergency.

Before Service Prayer: Almighty God, You gave me my body and soul and blessed me with life. You determined my life-span, when I was to be born and when I should die. Help me to proclaim Your truth about the sanctity of life. Lead people everywhere to regard the unborn child as a living person whose right to live must be protected. Lead them to respect human life as a special blessing from You. Amen.

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Today's Theme: **FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MAKE SELFLESS SACRIFICES**

"What's in it for me?" It's easy to look at life through the lens of that question, to make decisions based on perceived personal benefit. Perhaps at times we look at Christianity through that lens, wondering what we will gain from following Christ. "What's in it for me?" Jesus first disciples asked that question. They hoped that following Christ would bring prestige and honor. They assumed following Christ would make life easier. But it doesn't work like that. Followers of Christ are called to sacrifice for the well-being of others.

"What's in it for me?" Everything! Because of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, followers of Christ have the peace of His forgiveness. Followers of Christ have the joy of meaningful purpose. Followers of Christ look forward to an eternity of glory in Christ's heavenly kingdom. In Spirit-wrought gratitude, followers of Christ make selfless sacrifices with joy.

Pastor's Welcome

Opening Hymn: CW 854 “Church of God, Elect and Glorious” (CWS 774)

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father,

C: who in love created us before the beginning of the world.

P: In the name of His ✠ Son, Jesus,

C: who in love redeemed us, making us whole.

P: In the name of the Holy Spirit,

C: who is poured out into our hearts, that we might believe in Jesus and be saved. Amen.

Opening Sentences

Deuteronomy 4:31; Isaiah 30:18

P: For the LORD your God is a merciful God.

C: He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that He swore to them.

P: Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore He exalts Himself to show mercy to you.

C: For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for Him.

Confession and Absolution

Based on Romans 8:27; Psalm 139:4; Isaiah 64:6

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open and no secret is hidden,

C: apart from You, we have no hope; we are sinful from the moment we are conceived.

P: We think that our thoughts are secret, known only to us,

C: yet we forget that Your Word tells us that God already knows our deepest thoughts.

P: We speak things thinking that no one will hear them,

C: Yet the Psalms tell us that You know what I want to say, even before the words leave my mouth.

P: We know in our hearts that all our works are not acceptable in Your sight, no matter how much we try on our own.

C: Even our good works are not pure. They are like filthy rags.

P: Will you confess that you are unworthy of the least of God’s blessings? If so, answer yes.

C: Yes. I know in my heart I am unworthy of the least of God’s blessings, mercy, and forgiveness.

P: Hear the greatest news you will ever hear! Jesus’ death on the cross was for you as well as all outside these walls. His suffering and death gives you what you need the most—the forgiveness of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God unto all of you. 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. The Lord is gracious to you this day!

C: Blessed are those who wait on Him!

Lord Have Mercy

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from You all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the spread of Your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in You, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

P: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await Your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for You.

C: Amen.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The Greeting

P: The Lord be with you!

C: And also with you!

The Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness and set us free from all adversities, that under Your protection, we may serve You with true devotion and holy deeds; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The First Lesson: **Isaiah 53:10-12** – The prophet Isaiah foretold that the coming Messiah would make the ultimate sacrifice to pay for our sin.

¹⁰ Yet it was the Lord's will to crush Him and cause Him to suffer,
and though the Lord makes His life an offering for sin,
He will see His offspring and prolong His days,
and the will of the Lord will prosper in His hand.

¹¹ After He has suffered,
He will see the light of life and be satisfied;
by His knowledge My righteous servant will justify many,
and He will bear their iniquities.

¹² Therefore I will give Him a portion among the great,
and He will divide the spoils with the strong,
because He poured out His life unto death,
and was numbered with the transgressors.
For He bore the sin of many,
and made intercession for the transgressors. (NIV 2011)

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Psalm of the Day: **62** (The Psalm of the day in hymn for is hymn **818** in the blue hymnal.)

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 9:7-12,19-23 – St. Paul shares his willingness to make great sacrifices in his effort to share the gospel of Christ.

⁷ Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink the milk? ⁸ Do I say this merely on human authority? Doesn't the Law say the same thing? ⁹ For it is written in the Law of Moses: "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain." Is it about oxen that God is concerned? ¹⁰ Surely He says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because whoever plows and threshes should be able to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest. ¹¹ If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? ¹² If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?

But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ.

¹⁹ Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰ To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹ To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. (NIV 2011)

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**



Gospel Acclamation:

P: Alleluia. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many. Alleluia. (Mark 10:45)

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Stand

The Gospel Lesson: **Mark 10:32-45** – To disciples who sought glory and honor, Jesus taught that His followers would make selfless sacrifices for others just as He would be sacrificed for our sins.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

³² They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again He took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to Him. ³³ "We are going up to Jerusalem," He said, "and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn Him to death and will hand Him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴ who will mock Him and spit on Him, flog Him and kill Him. Three days later He will rise."

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him. "Teacher," they said, "we want You to do for us whatever we ask."

³⁶ "What do you want Me to do for you?" He asked.

³⁷ They replied, "Let one of us sit at Your right and the other at Your left in your glory."

³⁸ “You don’t know what you are asking,” Jesus said. “Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?”

³⁹ “We can,” they answered.

Jesus said to them, “You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for Me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.”

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them together and said, “You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.” (NIV 2011)

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

Sit

Hymn of the Day: CW 540 “O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild” (CW93 366)

The Sermon Text: **Mark 10:32-45** (*The Gospel for the Day.*)

Sermon Theme: **“THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NOT FIRST OF ALL ABOUT YOU AND ME. IT’S ABOUT GOD’S GLORY.”**



The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

The Offering

The ushers will gather the offering which will then be placed on the Lord's Altar. Offerings can also be given electronically by using your smart phone and the QR code which takes you to the donation part of New Life's website.



The Prayer of the Church

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

Closing Collect

P: Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage and a hope that cannot be extinguished, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us, Your love supporting us and Your Son abiding with us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Blessing

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.

The Closing Hymn: CW 627 “To God Be the Glory” (CW 399)

The Announcements

Our Father’s Business in the Coming Week

Cleaning this Week: James

Today—Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Service at 9:30 AM
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class in the New Life Cafe at 10:45 AM
Confirmation Class at 6:00 PM

Thursday—Green Team at 6:00 PM

Friday—Men’s Bible Class at 11:30 AM

Next Sunday—Reformation Communion Service at 9:30 AM
Sunday School and Adult Bible Class at 10:45 AM
Confirmation Class at 6:00 PM

FELLOWSHIP SIGN-UP SHEET

A new sign-up sheet has been posted for providing something to eat and drink after the Sunday service. The sheet covers October 2024 through January 2025.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will begin learning a new song today, “Bless the Lord, O My Soul,” which will be sung on November 3. The Sunday school story for today is “David’s Kindness to Saul.”

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

Today, Rev. Radunzel will cover “Judas’ Betrayal and Peter’s Denial” in John chapter 13. Adult Bible Class begins at 10:45 AM in the New Life Café and ends at 11:45 AM.

ADOPT-A-SAILOR

New Life will once again host 28 Naval Recruits from Great Lakes Naval Station on Thanksgiving Day. There are several sign-up sheets located on the bulletin board downstairs which you can use to indicate your participation in this annual event.

PASTOR RADUNZEL

Pastor and Iwona are out of town today. Pastor Bauer will teach confirmation class this evening. Thank you to Rev. Steve Radunzel for conducting today’s service and teaching adult Bible class. Rev. Radunzel is retired from full-time ministry. He recently finished serving a vacancy in Bristol, WI and resides in Waukegan, IL.

GREEN TEAM

New Life’s Green Team will meet this coming Thursday at 6:30 PM. We will continue the theme “The Government of the United States” by taking a look at the United States Constitution. Green Team ends at 8:00 PM.