

Prayer: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

Blessing

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed, bless, keep and sustain you now and to the end of the age. **Amen.**

Bell

Sending Hymn: If You But Trust in God to Guide You (LBW#453, vss. 1,3,4)

If you but trust in God to guide you and place your confidence in him,
You'll find him always there beside you to give you hope and strength within.
For those who trust God's changeless love build on the rock that will not move.

In patient trust await his leisure in cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er your Father's pleasure and all discerning love have sent;
Doubt not your inmost wants are known to him who chose you for his own.

Sing, pray and keep his ways unswerving, offer your service faithfully,
And trust his word; though undeserving, you'll find his promise true to be.
God never will forsake in need the soul that trusts in him indeed.

Dismissal: Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

Mark your calendars:

- Nov. 15 – 3RD Annual Thanksgiving Bingo at Nora!! Doors open at 6pm, Bingo starts at 6:30. See Perley Parish page on Facebook for more info.
- Sunday, Nov. 19 – 9:30 at Nora with Sunday School at 10:30
- Sunday, Nov. 26 – 9:30 at Kirkebo with Sunday School at Nora at 10:30

Perley Parish
24th Sunday After Pentecost
November 12, 2023

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign (LBW#530 vss. 1,2,4,5)

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise with ev'ry morning sacrifice.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the pris'ners leap to lose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring honor peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.

Welcome and Announcements: Nora Thanksgiving Bingo on Wed. Nov. 15.
Doors open at 6pm, bingo starts at 6:30

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.
Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day. Amen.

Psalm 70 (read responsively)

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me. O LORD, make haste to help me! **Let those be put to shame and confusion who seek my life.** Let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire to hurt me. Let those who say, 'Aha, Aha!' turn back because of their shame. **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you. Let those who love your salvation say evermore, 'God is great!** But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:1-13 **Glory to you O Lord**

The Gospel of our Lord, **Praise to you, O Christ**

Message

Hymn of the Day/Offering: O Jesus I Have Promised (LBW #503 vss. 1,3,4)

O Jesus, I have promised to serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me, my Master and my Friend.
I shall not fear the battle If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if Thou wilt be my Guide.

Oh, let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still;
Above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will.
Now speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
Now speak and make me listen, O Guardian of my soul

O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you
That where you are in glory, your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
Oh, give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

**Offering Response: We give thee but thine own, whatever that gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O, Lord, in thee.**

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy catholic Church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people (Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**)

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us: ***Our father who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen***

Meal

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. **Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.** Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.