

# Sunday Worship

September 20, 2020

Time after Pentecost – Lectionary 25

Prelude – *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* – arr. Lynn L. Peterson

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn – *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

Reading – Matthew 20:1-16

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; <sup>4</sup>and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. <sup>5</sup>When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' <sup>8</sup>When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' <sup>9</sup>When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. <sup>10</sup>Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. <sup>11</sup>And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, <sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Gospel Response – *We are Turning Lord to Hear You*

Sermon

Video – *Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone*

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: As we prepare for the great gift of Holy Communion,  
let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

**Assembly: Faithful God,  
have mercy on us.  
We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.  
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.  
We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.  
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.  
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.  
Make us humble, cast away our transgressions,  
and turn us again to life in you  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Words of Forgiveness

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## Lord's Prayer

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;  
and 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.

## Holy Communion

Pastor: The body of Christ, given for you.

**Assembly: Amen.**

Pastor: The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Assembly: Amen.**

Communion Song – *That Priceless Grace* – ELW #591

## Post-Communion Blessing

Pastor: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you  
and keep you in his grace.

**Assembly: Amen.**

Closing Hymn – *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* – ELW #545

## Announcements

## Blessing

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**Assembly: Amen.**

Postlude – *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* – arr. David Lasky

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## THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

IN BABILONE



1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy Like the wide-ness
2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the mea-sures
3. Trou-bled souls, why will you scat - ter Like a crowd of



1. of the sea; There's a kind - ness in his jus - tice
2. of our mind, And the heart of the E - ter - nal
3. fright - ened sheep? Fool - ish hearts, why will you wan - der



1. Which is more than lib - er - ty. There is plen - ti - ful re -
2. Is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more
3. From a love so true and deep? There is wel - come for the



1. demp-tion In the blood that has been shed; There is
2. sim - ple We should take him at his word, And our
3. sin - ner And more grac - es for the good; There is



1. joy for all the mem-bers In the sor - rows of the Head.
2. lives would be thanks - giv - ing For the good-ness of our Lord.
3. mer - cy with the Sav - ior, There is heal - ing in his blood.

Text: 87 87 D; Frederick W. Faber, 1814–1863, alt.

Music: *Oude en Nieuwe Boerenlities*, c. 1710.

## We Are Turning, Lord, to Hear You

We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind—  
 slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.

Text: Gracia Grindal, based on Joel 2:13  
 Music: KAS DZIEDAJA, Latvian folk tune

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## That Priceless Grace

1	That price-less grace,	that price-less grace,	that price-less
2	That price-less blood,	that price-less blood,	that price-less
3	That pain-ful death,	that pain-ful death,	that pain-ful
4	That pre-cious word,	that pre-cious word,	that pre-cious

grace, which gave me life: Je - sus' life is price-less grace.  
 blood was shed for me: Je - sus' blood is price-less grace.  
 death took sins a - way: Je - sus' death is price-less grace.  
 word, which brought me light: Je - sus' word is price-less grace.

That price - less grace is life for me.

Text: Emmanuel F. Y. Grantson, b. 1949  
 Music: THAT PRICELESS GRACE, Ghanaian traditional  
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## Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.  
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,

let us each, your love pos - sess - ing, tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace.  
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.  
let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.

Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.  
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.  
Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.