

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost  
October 17, 2021**

- P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.
- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**
- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and 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.
- C** Amen.

**Introit**

*Psalm 34:1–4, 17; antiphon: v. 18*

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
**and saves the crushed in spirit.**  
I will bless the LORD at all times;  
**his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
**let the humble hear and be glad.**  
Oh, magnify the LORD with me,  
**and let us exalt his name together!**  
I sought the LORD, and he answered me  
**and delivered me from all my fears.**  
When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears  
**and delivers them out of all their troubles.**  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**  
The LORD is near to the brokenhearted  
**and saves the crushed in spirit.**

**Kyrie**

- C** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Gloria in Excelsis**

- P** Glory be to God on high:  
**C** **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.**  
**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**  
**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**  
**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**  
**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**  
**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**  
**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Let us pray.  
O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

**Old Testament Reading**

*Ecclesiastes 5:10–20*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

*Psalm 91:11; 103:1*

He will command his angels concerning you  
**to guard you in all your ways.**  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

**Epistle Reading**

*Hebrews 4:1–13*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia**

- C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Holy Gospel Reading**

*Mark 10:23–31*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.  
**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

**C** I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

#### 744 Amazing Grace

1 Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
Was blind but now I see!

2 The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
His grace has brought me safe thus far,  
His grace will lead me home.

4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease,  
Amazing grace shall then prevail  
In heaven's joy and peace.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

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#### Sermon: "Impossible Things" Mark 10:23-31

##### Prayer of the Church

**P**...Lord, in your mercy:

**C** Hear our prayer.

**P**...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

##### Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

##### Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\dagger$  give you peace.

**C** Amen, amen, amen.

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