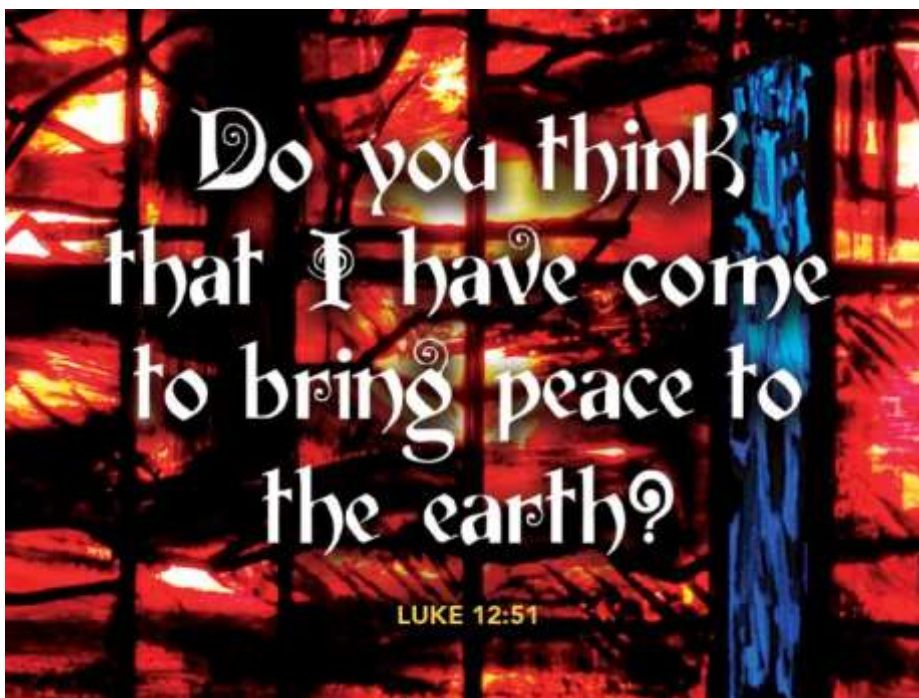


Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



August 14, 2022 | 9:00 a.m.

*Kviteseid Lutheran Church
308 North Third Street
Milan, Minnesota*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to worship at Kviteseid Lutheran Church... The Lord is a God nearby, not far off, Jeremiah tells us. God delights to draw near to you and rejoices when you come near to him.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“Faith of Our Fathers”

ELW #812

INTRODUCTION

The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great “cloud of witnesses.” In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, “the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.”

**CALL TO WORSHIP

P Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, *Heb. 12:1*
let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,
and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.
Mindful of the gifts we receive and confident of the sustenance
the Lord provides, let us worship God.

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Let us confess our sins, for God is gracious and strong to save.

C **God of goodness and truth,** *Jer. 23:25–29*
we have failed to seek after your wisdom
and have followed paths that have led away from you.
Forgive our foolish ways, and lead us in your truth,
that we may live in the fullness of life
as you intend through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Beloved, your sins are forgiven, *Ps. 80:2, 19*
for God is merciful and just.
Therefore, be reconciled to the Lord and to one another,
walking in the light of Christ.

C **Amen.**

HYMN

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

ELW #400

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

C **O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression,**
and you call us to share your zeal for truth.

**Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed,
and, following your servants and prophets,
to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

LESSON: Jeremiah 23:23-29

Because Jeremiah preaches the unpopular message of God's judgment, he suffers rejection. Today's reading distinguishes between the true prophet, like Jeremiah, who speaks God's word, and the false prophet who misleads the people through dreams. One is like wheat; the other like worthless straw.

PSALM 82

- L ¹God stands to charge the divine council assembled,
giving judgment in the midst of the gods:
- C ²**“How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?**
- L ³Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;
- C ⁴**rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.**
- L ⁵They do not know, neither do they understand;
they wander about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- C ⁶**Now I say to you, ‘You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;**
- L ⁷nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.’ ”
- C ⁸**Arise, O God, and rule the earth,
for you shall take all nations for your own.**

LESSON: Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

The author of Hebrews presents us with rich stories of faith. In a long list of biblical heroes, we find examples of trust in God that enabled them to face the trials of life faithfully. In addition to this “cloud of witnesses,” we have Jesus, the perfect model of faithful endurance.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 12th chapter.
- C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 12:49-56

Jesus delivers harsh words about the purifying and potentially divisive effects of obedience to God's call. The way of the cross often leads followers to encounter hostility and rejection, even from those they love.

- P The Gospel of our Lord.
- C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lift High the Cross”

ELW #660

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**C 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 Pilot,
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 saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

The prayers are concluded with these words:

**P Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your
steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.**

C Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ, be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #186

****OFFERING PRAYER**

**P God of the ages, *Heb. 11:29 – 12:2*
surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, we faithfully add our gifts
to those who have gone before us throughout the generations.
Bless these gifts that they may yield an increase for the spreading
of your love in the world.**

C Amen.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

***CHARGE

*Heb. 11:29 – 12:2;
Luke 12:49–56*

****BLESSING**

*Heb. 11:29 – 12:2;
Luke 12:49–56*

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”

ELW #669

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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