

Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost



October 18, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.

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

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to worship at Kviteseid Lutheran Church... *Hebrews 5:7 reminds us that Jesus “offered up prayers and supplications” and was heard by the Father. As we gather for worship today, may we bring our own prayers before the Lord and draw closer to Him and to one another. Welcome, brothers and sisters in Christ.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN “O Day Full of Grace” vs. 1,2,5 ELW # 627

CONFESSION

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

C **Amen**

P Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts. Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice. Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others. Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another. Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

- P Hear this good news: We have peace with God through † Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.
- C **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Sovereign God
- C **raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1-7

PSALM

Psalms 96:1-9(10-13)

- L ¹ Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
- C ² **Sing to the Lord, bless the name of the Lord; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.**
- L ³ Declare God's glory among the nations and God's wonders among all peoples.
- C ⁴ **For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, more to be feared than all gods.**
- L ⁵ As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; but you, O Lord, have made the heavens.
- C ⁶ **Majesty and magnificence are in your presence; power and splendor are in your sanctuary.**
- L ⁷ Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord honor and power.
- C ⁸ **Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts of the Lord.**
- L ⁹ Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; tremble before the Lord, all the earth.
- C ¹⁰ **Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is king! The one who made the world so firm that it cannot be moved will judge the peoples with equity."**

- L ¹¹ Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- C ¹² **Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy at your coming, O Lord, for you come to judge the earth.**
- L ¹³ You will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with your truth.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

- C **Alleluia. We have an advocate, Jesus Christ the righteous; * your sins are forgiven on account of his name. Alleluia.** *(1 john 2:1, 12)*

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd Chapter.

- C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

- P The Gospel of our Lord.

- C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

- HYMN “Take My Life, That I May Be” vs. 1-5 ELW # 685

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P Hear us, O God

C **Your mercy is great**

At the conclusion

C **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

JINGLE OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

ELW #184

We bring our offerings to God in show of worship and gratitude for his love and blessing. Online giving is available at our website Milanslutheranchurch.com.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of creation

C you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

P The God of love
draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus

C Amen.

P The God of hope
grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

C Amen.

P The God of grace
✙ bless you now and forever.
C **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN “God of Grace and God of Glory” vs.1,3,4 ELW #705
DISMISSAL

P Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
C **Thanks be to God**

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This week's happenings:

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Wed., Oct. 21	Deacons meeting	5:30 p.m.
	Confirmation Class	6:30 p.m.
	Trustees meeting	7:00 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 23	<i>November Newsletter deadline</i>	
Sun., Oct. 25	<i>Reformation Sunday</i>	
	Worship – <i>WEAR RED</i>	9:00 a.m.
	Coffee Fellowship	10:00 a.m.
	Sunday School	10:00 a.m.



*The Vision of Kviteseid Lutheran Church is to grow
and send disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to serve in families, communities and the world,
witnessing to the love of God and the empowerment
of Christ's Spirit.*



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