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## **Divine Service Setting IV - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Saturday, October 1, 2011  
5:00 pm

Sunday, October 2, 2011  
9:00 am

† **In this complex world** of mass communication we are bombarded with information. Video images flash nearly everywhere we look. Pulsating music blares at every turn. It seems there's nowhere we can go to escape the noise. **Well, here's your chance** to unplug, to step out of the world and its culture and participate in something mystical. Here we will *sing* with angels and archangels. Here we will *listen* to the voice of God through His ancient texts. Here the saints of God will *share* in the very body and blood of Christ given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. This is a holy place, a holy time, a thing that we do - or, rather, that God does in and for us through His Means of Grace. **So, turn off your cell phone**, tune out the cacophony of competing voices, and log in to this moment and the message God has for you today, for He is here to meet you as He has promised.

† **We ask that those desiring to commune** be members in good standing of Trinity or of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. If you have questions regarding this, please speak with the pastor. **Assistive listening devices** are available. If interested, an usher will be happy to assist you.

PRELUDE	God so Loved the World	Stainer/Paxton
OPENING HYMN	Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling	<b>LSB 827 (st. 1,4)</b>
CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION		<b>LSB 203</b>
INTROIT	<i>Ps. 118:22–24; antiphon: Ps. 118:1</i>	

**P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

**C** **The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.**

**P** This is the LORD's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

**C** **This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**ALL: 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.**

**P** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

KYRIE

**LSB 204**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**LSB 204**

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; 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**

*Isaiah 5:1–7*

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. <sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; and he looked for it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. <sup>3</sup>And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. <sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I looked for it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? <sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and briars and thorns shall grow up; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. <sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **GRADUAL**

*Ps. 91:11; 103:1*

**P** 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**

*Philippians 3:4b–14*

<sup>4</sup>If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the

church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. <sup>7</sup>But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup>Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— <sup>10</sup>that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA

LSB 205

HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 21:33–46*

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>33</sup>[Jesus said:] “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. <sup>34</sup>When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. <sup>35</sup>And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ <sup>39</sup>And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. <sup>40</sup>When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” <sup>41</sup>They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.” <sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes”? <sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. <sup>44</sup>And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.” <sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>And

although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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

**C** Praise to You O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

**LSB 207**

HYMN

O Love, How Deep

**LSB 544 (st. 1,5,7)**

**SERMON**

**“Caring for the Vineyard”**

*Matthew 21:33-46*

LWML Pledge (9:00)

“Serve the Lord with Gladness”

Betsy Meverden

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*After each Petition:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy

-OR-

**P** Let us pray to the Lord

**C** Hear our prayer

**C** Lord, have mercy

*After the final Petition:*

**P**...who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen

OFFERING (9:00)

They Shall Soar Like Eagles

The Gallery Choir

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

**LSB 208**

LORD'S PRAYER

**LSB 209**

AGNUS DEI

**LSB 210**

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross **LSB 425**

My Song Is Love Unknown **LSB 430**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand **LSB 739**

NUNC DIMITTIS

**LSB 211**

CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

**LSB 917 (st. 1,2)**

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

Handel