

**20th Sunday After Pentecost**  
**JONAH - Chapter 1**  
**Running Away From God**



**AS WE GATHER**

Jonah heard God's call, and ran the other way! Jonah thought he could run away from God. Because of our own sin and guilt, many of us also try to run away from God. But our Lord Jesus is full of compassion, He has come to "seek and save the lost" (Luke 19:10).

**816 From All That Dwell Below the Skies**

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's  
 2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at -  
 Δ 3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be, All praise, e - ter - nal

praise a - rise; Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 tends Thy Word. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Son, to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung Through ev - 'ry land by  
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore Till suns shall rise and  
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore For - ev - er and for -

ev - 'ry tongue. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 set no more. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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**+ INVOCATION +**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
 People: Amen.

**OPENING SCRIPTURES - The Sign of Jonah**

Pastor: The Word of the Lord came to Jonah,  
 People: **Go to the great city of Ninevah.** *Jonah 1:1*

Pastor: When God saw that they turned from their evil ways.  
 People: **He had compassion on them.** *Jonah 3:10*

Pastor: Jesus said, "A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a sign.  
 People: **But none will be given except the sign of Jonah."** *Matthew 12:39*

Pastor: "As Jonah was three days in the belly of a huge fish,  
 People: **So the Son of Man will be three days in the heart of the earth."** *Matt. 12:40*

**+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
 People: **Who made heaven and earth.** *Psalms 124:8*

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
 People: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** *Psalms 130:3-4*

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying:

People: **God, be merciful to me, a sinner.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

People: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**KYRIE**

LSB 204



Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**HYMN OF PRAISE – Gloria in Excelsis**

LSB 204



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good - will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Jonah 1:1-7, 11-17*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah son of Amittai: <sup>2</sup>“Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me.”

<sup>3</sup> But Jonah ran away from the LORD and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the LORD.

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up. <sup>5</sup> All the sailors were afraid and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the ship. But Jonah had gone below deck, where he lay down and fell into a deep sleep. <sup>6</sup> The captain went to him and said, “How can you sleep? Get up and call on your god! Maybe he will take notice of us so that we will not perish.” <sup>7</sup> Then the sailors said to each other, “Come, let us cast lots to find out who is responsible for this calamity.” They cast lots and the lot fell on Jonah...

<sup>11</sup> The sea was getting rougher and rougher. So they asked him, “What should we do to you to make the sea calm down for us?” <sup>12</sup> “Pick me up and throw me into the sea,” he replied, “and it will become calm. I know that it is my fault that this great storm has come upon you.”

<sup>13</sup> Instead, the men did their best to row back to land. But they could not, for the sea grew even wilder than before. <sup>14</sup> Then they cried out to the LORD, “Please, LORD, do not let us die for taking this man’s life. Do not hold us accountable for killing an innocent man, for you, LORD, have done as you pleased.” <sup>15</sup> Then they took Jonah and threw him overboard, and the raging sea grew calm. <sup>16</sup> At this the men greatly feared the LORD, and they offered a sacrifice to the LORD and made vows to him.

<sup>17</sup> Now the LORD provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**THE EPISTLE**

*1st Timothy 1:12-17*

<sup>12</sup>I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup>though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup>But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup>To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

*LSB 205*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 12:38-42*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 12th chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered him, saying, "Teacher, we wish to see a sign from you." <sup>39</sup>But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. <sup>40</sup>For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. <sup>41</sup>The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, something greater than Jonah is here. <sup>42</sup>The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, something greater than Solomon is here.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

**THE NICENE CREED**

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 of the world to come. Amen.

**715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me**

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's  
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush  
 3 When at last I near the shore And the fear -

tem - pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,  
 the o - cean wild; Bois - t'rous waves o - bey Thy will  
 ful break - ers roar Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,

Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -  
 When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -  
 Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear

pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
 Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

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 Tune: John E. Gould, 1822-75  
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**THE SERMON**

**THE OFFERING** (*Offering plates are located in the back of the church.*)

**+ RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS +  
 + THE HOLY RITE OF CONFIRMATION+**

*Chrissy Walter*

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Father in Heaven, by Your great compassion, You sent the prophet Jonah to Ninevah, send out Pastors, teachers and missionaries to proclaim Your Word to all nations, Lord in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Lord Jesus Christ, You came to seek and save the lost, through Your means of grace bring more people into Your Kingdom, Lord in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Compassionate Savior, we pray for all who are suffering or who are in need, [especially...], Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

**PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

### SANCTUS

LSB 208



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

### THE 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.**

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **Amen.**

### AGNUS DEI

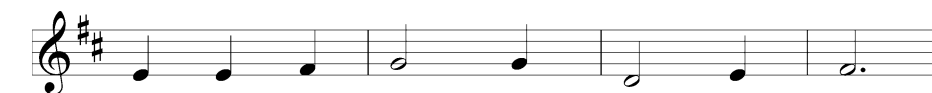
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1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

### THE DISTRIBUTION

433 **Glory Be to Jesus**



1 Glo - ry be to Je - sus, Who in bit - ter pains  
 2 Grace and life e - ter - nal In that blood I find;  
 3 Blest through end - less a - ges Be the pre - cious stream  
 4 A - bel's blood for ven - geance Plead - ed to the skies;



Poured for me the life - blood From His sa - cred veins!  
 Blest be His com - pas - sion, In - fi - nite - ly kind!  
 Which from end - less tor - ment Did the world re - deem!  
 But the blood of Je - sus For our par - don cries.

**5 Oft as earth exulting, Wafts its praise on high,  
 Angel hosts rejoicing, Make their glad reply.**

**6 Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood;  
 Louder still and louder, Praise the precious blood!**

Text: Italian, c. 18th cent.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814-78, alt. Tune: Friedrich Fillitz, 1804-76 Text and tune: Public domain

610 **Lord Jesus, Think on Me**



1 Lord Je - sus, think on me And purge a - way my sin;  
 2 Lord Je - sus, think on me, By anx - ious thoughts op - pressed;  
 3 Lord Je - sus, think on me A - mid the bat - tle's strife;  
 4 Lord Je - sus, think on me Nor let me go a - stray;  
 5 Lord Je - sus, think on me That, when this life is past,



From world - ly pas - sions set me free And make me pure with - in.  
 Let me Your lov - ing ser - vant be And taste Your prom - ised rest.  
 In all my pain and mis - er - y, O be my health and life!  
 Through dark - ness and per - plex - i - ty Point out Your cho - sen way.  
 I may the e - ter - nal bright - ness see And share Your joy at last.

Text: Synesius of Cyrene, c. 365-c. 414; tr. Allen W. Chatfield, 1808-96, alt.  
 Tune: William Daman, c. 1540-1591 Text and tune: Public domain

835 **On Galilee's High Mountain**

*sts. 1-4*



1 On Gal - i - lee's high moun - tain Christ gave the great com - mand  
 2 The Lord who, born of Mar - y, Came down as man and died,  
 3 His strength with - in my weak - ness Will make me bold to say  
 4 And not a - lone to na - tions In far - a - way re - treats,



In words of strength and prom - ise Which all can un - der - stand:  
 Who preached to all who lis - tened, For us was cru - ci - fied—  
 How His re - deem - ing pow - er Trans - forms my stub - born clay;  
 But ev - 'ry - where I broad - cast His love through crowd - ed streets:



“All pow'r to Me is giv - en To do what I shall choose;  
 This Lord, our liv - ing broth - er, In pow'r at God's right hand,  
 His touch of fire ig - nites me, With cour - age I am sent,  
 The lives that my life touch - es, How - ev - er great or small—



There - fore I send My chil - dren, Their wit - ness I will use.”  
 Has cho - sen us to car - ry His truth to ev - 'ry land.  
 My tongue - tied si - lence bro - ken, With grace made el - o - quent.  
 Let them through me see Je - sus, Who served and saved us all.

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**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE – Nunc Dimittis**

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;  
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen.

**912 Christ Is Our Cornerstone**

1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;  
 2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,  
 Δ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring;  
 With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His  
 And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til  
 Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus  
 great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.  
 that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.  
 pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

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SERMON SERIES FOR OCTOBER



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the GREAT DECEIVER

It should come as no surprise that an adversary fit to be called the "god of this world" and the "power of darkness" is a force to be reckoned with. And so he is. In *The Great Deceiver* explore a being so diabolical he will stop at nothing to separate us from God.

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study**  
**Sunday Mornings at 8:45 AM**

