

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost and Hymn Sing Sunday



St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson
8:30AM • August 29, 2021

Prelude *Pianist, Debbi St. John*

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: "Christ Be Our Light" #715

**Vs 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

**Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**Vs 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. [Refrain]**

**Vs 5: Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another, signs of your kingdom come. [Refrain]**

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: We confess our sins together, in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: God of all Mercy, come to our aid. When we hide brokenness and only show you wholeness, forgive us. When we cover shame and guilt with pride and pretense, forgive us. When we point out the speck in our neighbor's eye but ignore the log in our own eye, forgive us. When we choose old, harmful ways of living over new, life-giving ways, forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, Lord God, & make us new.

P: Children of God, God loved us even when we were dead in sin, and makes us new through Jesus Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live as people set free. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: "How Great Thou Art" #415

Vs 1: O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand have made I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder Thy pow'r thru'out The universe displayed

**Chorus: Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art
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Vs 2: When through the woods & forest glades I wander I hear the birds Sing sweetly in the trees When I look down From lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook And feel the gentle breeze [chorus]

Vs 3: But when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin [chorus]

Vs 4: When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art [chorus]

Prayer of the Day: **P:** Let us pray.

C: O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading - Isaiah 64:8

But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Gospel Hymn: *"Change My Heart O God"* #801 (Stand as you are able)

**Change my heart O God make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.
You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
Change my heart O God make it ever true; Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.**

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 ¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; ⁷in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' ⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." ¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

P: This is the Word of our Lord, **C:** Thanks be to God.

Children's Hymn: *"Jesus Loves Me"* children lead

**Vs 1: Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.**

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

**Vs 2: Jesus loves me he who died heaven's gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: Jesus loves me, he will stay close beside me all the way;
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high. [Refrain]**

Homily Pastor Eric Hanson

Hymn of the Day: *"Borning Cry"*

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Vs 1: I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

Vs 2: When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun."

Vs 3: In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise."

Vs 4: I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

The Baptism of Margaret Jo Huneke

Hymn: *"O Lord, Hear My Prayer"* #751

**Vs 1: O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and listen to me.**

**Vs 2: The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: all my hope comes from God.
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.**

The Prayers: (call and response)

Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need. A brief silence. We pray for the church, that it is a safe haven for all who seek your presence. Fill it with pastors, deacons, and leaders who echo your expansive and generous welcome. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the whole of creation, that plants and animals have the habitat and resources to thrive and flourish. Inspire us to protect threatened habitats and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for individuals in positions of authority. Raise up wise & discerning leaders in federal, state, & local governments & guide them to seek the benefit of every person Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who are in need. Support and encourage those who are unemployed, underemployed, or experiencing poverty. Bring food, shelter, clothes, and stability for daily life. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this congregation, especially those beginning a new school year. Empower teachers and school administrators. Guide students in their learning and development. Accompany parents, foster parents, and caregivers who provide encouragement and love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all soldiers sent to Afghanistan. We pray for the success of their mission and for protection over their bodies, hearts, and spirits especially; Garret & Jess Huemann and Shea Mollenhauer. Be with family members waiting for their return. Give endurance to troubled hearts, and peace to anxious minds. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who mourn the deaths of their beloved ones. We give you thanks for the saints who have gone before us. Come quickly to help all those who suffer especially; the family of Dean Luhman, the Atkinson family, Gabriel Ryan, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Dean Kirkland, Finley Budensiek, Connie Ludwig, Joe Melson, Sara Nolte, Mark Jacobson, Deb Huneke and Pat Ferkin. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God, & those in our hearts known only to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace: L: The peace of Christ be with you always. C: And also with you.

Ushers bring offering forward.

Offertory - Doxology Hymn: "Jesus Name Above All Names"

Vs 1: Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

Words of Institution

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 Meal and Hymn: "Healer of Our Every Ill" #612

Refrain: Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.

Vs 1: You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [Refrain]

Vs 2: In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [Refrain]

Vs 4: You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [Refrain]

Blessing Hymn: "Make Me A Servant" 2X (Please stand as you are able.)

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak. And may the pray'r of my heart always be;
Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

Dismissal: L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Sending: "It Is Well With My Soul" #785

Vs 1: When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain: It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

**Vs 2: Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control:
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. [Refrain]**

**Vs 3: He lives oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [Refrain]**

**Vs 4: Lord, hasten the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so, it is well with my soul. [Refrain]**

Postlude

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