

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson
8:30AM • July 4, 2021

Prelude

Temple Talk: *Why Music?* by Eve Stone

Greeting *(please stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God C: **Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

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, live-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.**

Gathering Hymn: "Be Thou My Vision" #793

Vs. 1: **Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art.**

Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Vs. 2: **Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.**

Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r, raise thou me heav'nward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Vs 3: **Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always.**

Thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Vs 4: **Light of my soul, after victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!**

Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Prayer of the Day: P: Let us pray.

C: **God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading - Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. ²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Gospel Acclamation: *"I Love You Lord" 2X (Stand as you are able)*

I love you Lord and I lift my voice. To worship You , Oh my soul , rejoice!

Take my King, In what You hear. Let it be a sweet, sweet sound, In Your ear.

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:1-13

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said

to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house."⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them.⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching.⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts;⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place.¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them."¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent.¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

Children's Message

Homily Pastor Eric Hanson

Hymn of the Day: "Will You Come and Follow Me" #798

Vs 1: Will You Come And Follow Me If I But Call Your Name? Will You Go Where You Don't Know And Never Be The Same? Will You Let My Love Be Shown, Will You Let My Name Be Known, Will You Let My Life Be Grown In You And You In Me?

Vs 2: Will You Leave Yourself Behind If I But Call Your Name? Will You Care For Cruel And Kind And Never Be The Same? Will You Risk The Hostile Stare Should Your Life Attract Or Scare? Will You Let Me Answer Prayer In You And You In Me?

Vs 3: Will You Let The Blinded See If I But Call Your Name? Will You Set The Prisoners Free And Never Be The Same? Will You Kiss The Leper Clean, And Do Such As This Unseen, And Admit To What I Mean In You And You In Me?

Vs 4: Will You Love The 'You' You Hide If I But Call Your Name? Will You Quell The Fear Inside And Never Be The Same? Will You Use The Faith You've Found To Reshape The World Around, Through My Sight And Touch And Sound In You And You In Me?

Vs. 5: Lord, Your Summons Echoes True When You But Call My Name. Let Me Turn And Follow You And Never Be The Same. In Your Company I'll Go Where Your Love And Footsteps Show. Thus I'll Move And Live And Grow In You And You In Me.

Apostles' 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, & 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, & he will come to judge the living & 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, & the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers: (call and response)

Let us come before the triune God in prayer. *A brief silence.* God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Sustain the baptized and increase their faith, that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of the heavens, your creating Spirit animates the universe. We give you thanks for the moon and stars, for the planets and the Milky Way Galaxy, and for all of the mysteries of the cosmos that remain unknown to us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Defend us from tyrants in our midst and deliver us from all forms of slavery or corruption. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need especially; Gabriel Ryan, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Naomi Berland, Dean Kirkland, Finley Budensiek, Sue Majerus, Connie Ludwig, Joe Melson, Sara Nolte, Doug & Charlotte Hindal, and the family of Ruth Holm. Surround them with your unwavering presence. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. We pray for our outreach ministries. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our Prayer.**

We give you thanks that in every time and place you call forth prophets who move us towards freedom. Thank you for those who work for human rights, community organizers, and all who strive for liberty for all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace:

L: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

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Offertory Prayer:

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you **C: And also with you**

L: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give Him thanks & praise.**

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

Communion Prayer: P: O God,

C: We give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing: *(Please stand as you are able.) "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #884*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Sending: *"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" #888*

**Vs 1: O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea!**

**Vs 2: O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness And ev'ry gain divine!**

**Vs 3: O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
confirm thy soul in selfcontrol, thy liberty in law!**

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

Postlude *"Go In Peace"*

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