

St. Luke Lutheran Church

Third Sunday after Pentecost • June 21, 2020 • Happy Father's Day

Prelude Debbi St. John, Organist

Confession and Forgiveness (please stand as you are able)

(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)

- L: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**
- L: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
- L: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. C: **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: #802 "Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

Verse 1

Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow His example pure, through a world that would deceive us and to sin spirits lure. Onward in his footsteps treading, trav'lers here, our home above full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Savior's bidding. Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where you guide.

Verse 2

Let us suffer here with Jesus, and with patience hear our cross. Joy will follow all our sadness; where he is there is no loss. Though today we sow no laughter, we shall reap celestial joy; all discomforts that annoy shall give way to mirth here after, Jesus, here I share your woe; help me there your joy to know.

Verse 3

Let us gladly die with Jesus, Since by death he conquered death, he will free us from destruction, give to us immortal breath, Let us mortify all passion that would lead us into sin; and the grave that shuts in shall but prove the gate of heaven. Jesus, here with you I die, there to live with you on high.

Verse 4

Let us also live with Jesus,
He has risen from the dead
that to life we may awaken.
Jesus, you are now our head,
we are your own living members;
where you live, there we shall be
in your presence constantly,
living there with you forever.
Jesus, let me faithful be;
life eternal grant to me.

Greeting

L: 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.**

Kyrie

L: Kyrie eleison
L: Christe eleison
C: Lord, have mercy.
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Glory to God

Refrain

Glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Verse 1

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. *Refrain*

Verse 2

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. *Refrain*

Verse 3

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Final Refrain

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth, and peace to God's people on earth.

Prayer of the Day: Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Psalm: Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18 (Call and response)

- C: 7Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach, and shame has covered my face.
- L: 8I have become a stranger to my own kindred, an alien to my mother's children.
- C: 9Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- L: ¹⁰I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach.
- C: ¹¹I put on sackcloth also, and became a by word among them.
- L: 12Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, and the drunkards make songs about me.
- C: ¹³But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O Lord: "In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.
- L: ¹⁴Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.
- C: ¹⁵Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.
- L: ¹6Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; in your great compassion, turn to me.
- C: ¹⁷Hide not your face from your servant; be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
- L: ¹⁸Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

Epistle Lesson: Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b}Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation Celtic Alleluia (Please stand as you are able)



L: The holy gospel according to....

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:24-39 (Please stand as you are able)

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴ A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. 30 And even the hairs of your head are all counted. 31 So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. 32" Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; 33 but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven, 34"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; 38 and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message: (you may be seated)

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: #471 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

Verse 1 Let us break bread together on our knees;

let us break bread together on our knees.

Refrain
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord, have mercy on me.

Verse 2
Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees. *Refrain*

Verse 3 Let us praise God together on our knees; let us praise God together on our knees. . *Refrain*

Apostles' Creed (*Please stand as you are able*)

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.

The Prayers: (call and response)

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world. *A brief silence.* Expansive God, you bring diverse voices together to form your church. Open our hearts and unstop our ears to learn from one another, that differences might not overshadow our baptismal unity. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Providing God, your creation shows us that life comes from death. Renew the places where our land, air, and waterways have been ill for too long. Direct the work of all who care for birds and their habitats. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Protecting God, sustain and keep safe all who work to defend others across the world. Revive and strengthen organizations dedicated to caring for refugees and migrants while their homelands struggle for peace. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Loving God, you promise to be with all who are persecuted for your sake. Guide all who speak your word of justice and console any who are tormented or targeted for being who they are. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Compassionate God, you are with us and we are never alone. Bless all fathers and father figures who strive to love and nurture as you do. Comfort all who long to be fathers and all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Gracious God, you comfort us in our grief with the promise of the resurrection. We pray for those who suffer in any way, especially Nathlye Benrud, Kyle Poncelet, Micah Huneke, Maureen Lodermeier, Nancy Nord, George Campbell, Kelly Rehder, Tom Diercks, Dean Kirkland, Marlene Roschen, Lloyd Roschen, Robert Reese, Karl Thomforde, Finley Budensiek, Billie Maher & Mark Beebe. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Reigning God, you bless us with guides and caretakers in the faith. As we give thanks for those who have died (especially Onesimos Nesib, translator and evangelist), increase our care for one another until we walk with them in newness of life. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing the Peace

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

Offering & Doxology

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offertory Prayer

God our provider, we bring nothing into this world and we can take nothing out of it. Accept the gifts you have first given us, which we bring to your table, and with them the offering of our lives. Nourish us now with the life that really is life, revealed to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. C: **Amen.**

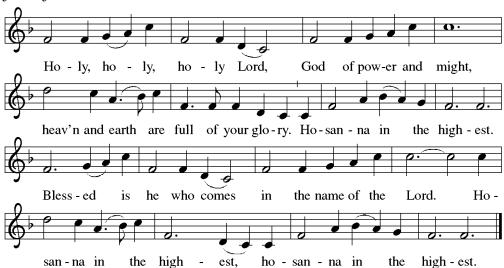
The Great Thanksgiving

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

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

Salutation

Holy, Holy, Holy

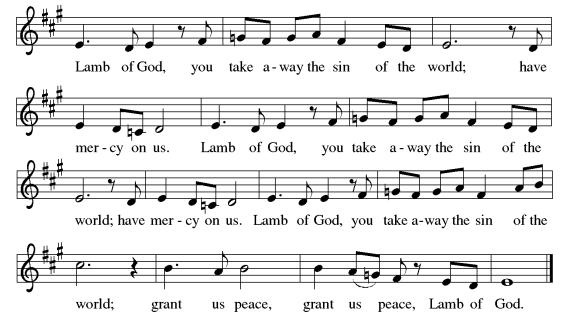


Words of Institution

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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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.





Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

God of blessing, at this table we have seen you face to face, and in the gift of Christ's body and blood, our hearts have been refreshed. Send us now to shine with your goodness and bear witness to the one we have received: Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

Blessing (please stand as you are able)

L: May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor + and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Sending Hymn: #660 "Lift High the Cross"

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Verse 1

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*

Verse 2

All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

Verse 3

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain*

Verse 4

So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

Dismissal L: You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Amen. Thanks be to God.

"Go In Peace" 3X Sung by Worship Committee and written by Debbi St. John

Go In Peace
And serve the Lord your God
Sow the seeds about the man of love
Go into the world and
tell them One by one
Go tell them what
Jesus has done