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

Prelude: *"Holy, Holy"* **2X** *written by Debbi St. John* **Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy. Holy. Holy is the Lamb. Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy You are the Great I Am. You are the Great I Am.**

Welcome and Announcements

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, and 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. C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" #413

- Vs 1: Holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity!
- Vs 2: Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which were, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- Vs 3: Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.
- Vs 4: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Prayer of the Day: P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading - Isaiah 6:1-8 *read by Jacob Melson* ¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Gospel Acclamation: "Celtic Alleluia" (Stand as you are able) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. 2X

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17 ¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11" Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony.¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.¹⁷ "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

Children's Message

Sermon Rev. Dr. Kazuhiro Sekino

Hymn of the Day: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" #414

- Vs 1: Holy God, we praise Your name; Lord of all, we bow before You; All on earth Your scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore You. Infinite Your vast domain, Everlasting is Your reign.
- Vs 2: Hark, the loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and seraphim In unceasing chorus praising, Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord."
- Vs 3: Lo! the apostolic train, Join Your sacred name to hallow; Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow; And from morn to set of sun, Through the church the song goes on.
- Vs 4: Lo! the apostolic train, Join Your sacred name to hallow; Prophets swell the glad refrain, And the white-robed martyrs follow; And from morn to set of sun, Through the church the song goes on.
- 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*. We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns especially; Gabriel Ryan, Ruth Holm, Keith Brown, Dolly Mensink, Naomi Berland, Dean Kirkland, Finley Budensiek, Brent Hokanson, Connie Ludwig, Joe Melson, Louise Petefish and the Family of Kerry Bien. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

We pray in remembrance of loved ones lost as Memorial Day approaches. For those who gave their lives protecting our way of life, we give You thanks. For those who cared for home and hearth so the greatest of sacrifices could be made we give You thanks. For those who witnessed to your work in our lives and now rest with your holy angels, we give You thanks. 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 & Doxology: *"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.

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.)

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

Sending: "Father Most Holy" #415

- Vs 1: Father most holy, merciful, and tender; Jesus our Savior, with the Father reigning; Spirit of comfort, Advocate, Defender, Light never waning;
- Vs 2: Trinity blessed, Unity unshaken; goodness unbounded, very God of heaven, light of the angels, joy of those forsaken, Hope of all living;
- Vs 3: Maker of all things, all Thy creatures praise Thee; all for thy worship were and are created; now, as we also worship thee devoutly, hear thou our voices.
- Vs 4: Lord God Almighty unto thee be glory, one in three persons, over all exalted! Glory we offer, praise thee and adore thee, now and forever.
- **Dismissal:** L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: "Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory" #890

Vs 1: Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he hath loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword; his truth is marching on.

Refrain: Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

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