# CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

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# Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 19 & 20, 2021 5:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m.

#### AS WE GATHER

In today's Gospel, Jesus commands the wind and the sea to become calm, which understandably stuns the disciples. "Who is this?" they wonder. The other Readings today reaffirm that we know that Jesus is one person of the Holy Trinity. The Creator puts creature Job in his place. We also ought to remember with whom we are dealing when we request or complain. Paul encourages his readers, then and now, to put their circumstances into the context of the whole Church. Our situations do not define us! Sure of God's care and emboldened by the strength He provides, we are called to live out our faith confidently. We know who this is: He is Jesus, our Savior.

#### **PRELUDE**

"Concerto in C Minor" (Movement 1, Allegro Moderato)

B. Marcello

#### WELCOME

#### **№** PREPARATION **№**

#### **OPENING HYMN**

728 How Firm a Foundation (sung by soloist)

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
  Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
  What more can He say than to you He has said
  Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed,
  For I am your God and will still give you aid;
  I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
  Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply. The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."

#### Please stand

#### **INVOCATION**

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

People: Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive

our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and

unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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. 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.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

818 In Thee is Gladness (sung by soloist)

In Thee is gladness Amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given The gifts of heaven,
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest, Our bonds Thou breakest;
Who trusts Thee surely
Has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining To see Thy shining,
Dying or living To Thee are cleaving;
Naught can us sever: Alleluia!

2 Since He is ours, We fear no powers,
Not of earth nor sin nor death.
He sees and blesses In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices; All heav'n rejoices
In Him forever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness, Triumph o'er sadness,
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever: Alleluia!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, the powers of the universe are subject to You. Help us to find peace in Your Lordship, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

forever.

People: Amen.

#### **₩** WORD **₩**

#### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:1-11

(God puts Job in his place.)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Then the LORD answered Job out of the storm. He said:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "Who is this that darkens my counsel with words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup> Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me. <sup>4</sup> "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. <sup>5</sup> Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? <sup>6</sup> On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone-- <sup>7</sup> while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? <sup>8</sup> "Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, <sup>9</sup> when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness, <sup>10</sup> when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, <sup>11</sup> when I said, 'This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt'?

PSALM Psalm 124

Pastor: If the LORD had not been on our side-- let Israel say —

People: if the LORD had not been on our side when men attacked us,

Pastor: when their anger flared against us, they would have swallowed us alive;

People: the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over

us,

Pastor: the raging waters would have swept us away.

People: Praise be to the LORD, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

Pastor: We have escaped like a bird out of the fowler's snare; the snare has been

broken, and we have escaped.

People: Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in

the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**EPISTLE** 2 Corinthians 6:1–13

(No matter the circumstances, now is the day of salvation.)

"In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you."

I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

<sup>3</sup> We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited. <sup>4</sup> Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; <sup>5</sup> in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; <sup>6</sup> in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; <sup>7</sup> in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left; <sup>8</sup> through glory

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. <sup>2</sup> For he says,

and dishonor, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors; 9 known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed; 10 sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup> We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and opened wide our hearts to you. <sup>12</sup> We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us. <sup>13</sup> As a fair exchange--I speak as to my children--open wide your hearts also.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 4:35–41

(Jesus amazes the disciples by stilling the storm.)

<sup>35</sup> That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." <sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. <sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. <sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **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.

# PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon	notes:		

#### **HYMN**

752 Be Still, My Soul (sung by all)

- Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;
  Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
  Leave to your God to order and provide;
  In ev'ry change He faithful will remain.
  Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly Friend
  Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
- 2 Be still, my soul; your God will undertake
  To guide the future as He has the past.
  Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
  All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
  Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know
  His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.
- 3 Be still, my soul; though dearest friends depart
  And all is darkened in this vale of tears;
  Then you will better know His love, His heart,
  Who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.
  Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay
  From His own fullness all He takes away.
- Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on
  When we shall be forever with the Lord,
  When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
  Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
  Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past,
  All safe and blessèd we shall meet at last.

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all

people according to their needs.

+++ Special Intercessions +++

Each concluding: Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

#### **★ SACRAMENT ★**

In the Lord's Supper we receive Christ's body and blood in and with the bread and wine. The two great blessings of the Lord's Supper are the forgiveness of sins and strength to live an improved Christian life. In response to the Lord's command we are to examine ourselves privately prior to partaking of the Sacrament. There are three basic questions on which we should examine ourselves, all of which we should be able to answer in the affirmative if we are to partake of the Sacrament worthily: 1) Am I truly sorry for my sins?

2) Do I believe Jesus Christ is my Savior? 3) Do I promise with God's help to live a Christian life? If you agree with the above statement, we invite you to 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.

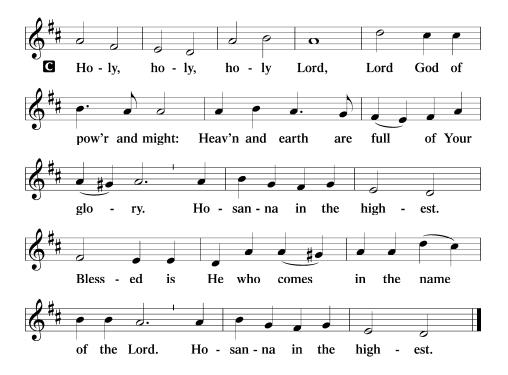
Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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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**



#### 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

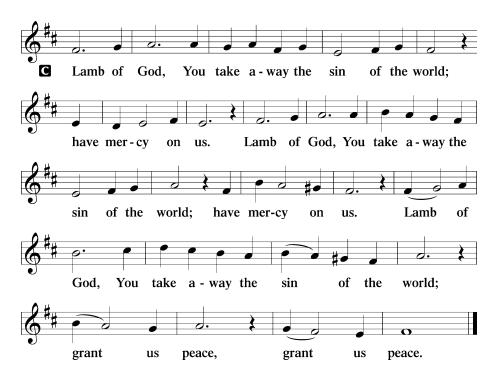
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

#### PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: And also with you.

#### **AGNUS DEI**



After the Words of Institution are spoken, the bread and wine (sealed in a plastic chalice) will be distributed to communicants in the pew. Non-alcoholic elements have the letters "NA" written on the top of the chalice.

Please wait to open the sealed chalice until after the bread and wine has been distributed to everyone. When all have received the bread and wine, we will all take the body of blood of Christ together at the same time.

The ushers will collect the used communion cup when you are dismissed to leave after the closing hymn.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

5:00 p.m. "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" 8:30 a.m. "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

#### SILENT PRAYER

You may pray the following prayer as we give thanks to God for His good gifts:

Dear Lord Jesus, we thank and praise You that You have again refreshed us with the gift of Your holy body and blood in this comforting sacrament. Bless our participation that we may depart from Your presence with peace and joy in the knowledge that we are reconciled to God. We ask this in Your name. Amen.

Please stand

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure (sung by all)

- I Jesus, priceless treasure,
  Fount of purest pleasure,
  Truest friend to me,
  Ah, how long in anguish
  Shall my spirit languish,
  Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
  Thou art mine,
  O Lamb divine!
  I will suffer naught to hide Thee;
  Naught I ask beside Thee.
- In Thine arms I rest me;
  Foes who would molest me
  Cannot reach me here.
  Though the earth be shaking,
  Ev'ry heart be quaking,
  Jesus calms my fear.
  Lightnings flash
  And thunders crash;
  Yet, though sin and hell assail me,
  Jesus will not fail me.

### 3 (Organ alone)

Satan, I defy thee;
Death, I now decry thee;
Fear, I bid thee cease.
World, thou shalt not harm me
Nor thy threats alarm me
While I sing of peace.
God's great pow'r
Guards ev'ry hour;
Earth and all its depths adore Him,
Silent bow before Him.

- 5 Evil world, I leave thee;
  Thou canst not deceive me,
  Thine appeal is vain.
  Sin that once did blind me,
  Get thee far behind me,
  Come not forth again.
  Past thy hour,
  O pride and pow'r;
  Sinful life, thy bonds I sever,
  Leave thee now forever.
- 6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
  For the Lord of gladness,
  Jesus, enters in.
  Those who love the Father,
  Though the storms may gather,
  Still have peace within.
  Yea, whate'er
  I here must bear,
  Thou art still my purest pleasure,
  Jesus, priceless treasure!

Prepare for next weekend's worship by reading: Lamentations 3:22-33; 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43 Find a devotional guide on the readings at www.chapelofthecross.org/walkingtogether

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# Serving at Chapel

Preacher: Ellory Glenn

Liturgists: 5:00 p.m. Kent Burreson

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11:00 a.m. Jedidiah McClellan

Singers: 5:00 p.m. Anne, Jonah & Grace Meyer

8:30 a.m. Mark Petersen 11:00 a.m. Mark Petersen

Instrumentalist: Lynda Christian, oboe

Organist & Accompanist: Ryan Meyer

## **Chapel of the Cross - Lutheran**

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# Worship and Christian Education

Saturday - 5:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Worship Service broadcast on KFUO 850 AM Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Live internet streaming at www.chapelofthecross.org Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

Holy Communion is celebrated the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  and  $5^{th}$  Sundays of the month at 8:30 a.m., the  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  and  $5^{th}$  Sundays of the month at 11:00 a.m., and the  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  and  $5^{th}$  Saturdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday school for children, Sunday Bible classes for adults and youth – 9:45 a.m.

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#### **Missions**

Chapel of the Cross supports the ministry of the English District and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod as well as the Lutheran High School Association. We also assist the following ministries and organizations:

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