

## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

With One Voice, Holy Communion, Setting Five



ST. JOHN'S  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Prayer before worship:

Almighty God, you pour out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and supplication. Deliver us, as we come into your presence, from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



### Pre-Service Music

"Priere A Notre Dame" (Leon Boellmann)

### Ringing of the Bells

### Welcome

### Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness

**P** In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Kneel or be seated, as able*

**P** Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are in bondage 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. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

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## Service of the Word

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### Opening Hymn

"Dearest Jesus, at Your Word" (LBW 248)

1 Dear-est Je - sus, at your word We have come a - gain to  
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep-est dark - ness  
3 Ra-diance of God's glo - ry bright, Light of light from God pro -  
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, Praise to you and ad - o -

hear you; Let our thoughts and hearts be stirred And in  
shroud - ed Till your Spir - it breaks the night, Fill - ing  
ceed - ing, Je - sus, send your bless - ed light; Help our  
ra - tion! Grant us what we need the most: Your blest

glow - ing faith be near you As the prom - is - es here  
us with light un - cloud - ed. All good thoughts and all good  
hear - ing, speak - ing, heed - ing, That our prayers and songs may  
Gos - pel's con - so - la - tion, While we here on earth a -

giv - en Draw us whol - ly up to heav - en.  
 liv - ing Come but by your gra - cious giv - ing.  
 please you, As with grate - ful hearts we praise you.  
 wait you, Till in heav'n with praise we greet you.

*Text: Tobias Clausnitzer, 1619-1684, sts. 1-3; Gesangbuch, Berlin, 1707, st. 4;  
 tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878, adapt.  
 Tune: Johann R. Ahle, 1625-1673*

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## Greeting

**P** 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.

## Hymn of Praise

**C** Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.  
**I** Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we  
 wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

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☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



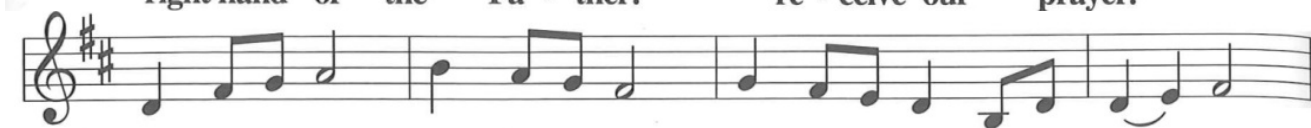
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

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For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.  
 Glo-ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;  
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,  
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### Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray:

O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Children's Message

## First Reading

Genesis 18:1-14

<sup>1</sup> The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

<sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup>The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' <sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalmody *(read responsively)*

Psalm 27:7-14

**L** Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;  
be gracious to me and answer me!

**C** You have said, "Seek my face."  
My heart says to you,  
"Your face, LORD, do I seek."

**L** Hide not your face from me.  
Turn not your servant away in anger,  
O you who have been my help.  
Cast me not off; forsake me not,  
O God of my salvation!

**G For my father and my mother have forsaken me,  
but the LORD will take me in.**

**L** Teach me your way, O LORD,  
and lead me on a level path  
because of my enemies.

**G Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;  
for false witnesses have risen against me,  
and they breathe out violence.**

**L** I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD  
in the land of the living!

**G Wait for the LORD;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the LORD!**

### Epistle Reading

Colossians 1:21-29

*Please join in reading aloud the highlighted portion of Scripture  
and consider committing this passage to memory in the week ahead.*

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. **<sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.** <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**G Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand*

## Alleluia Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

**G** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

## Holy Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**G** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Sermon

"Welcome"



## Hymn of the Day

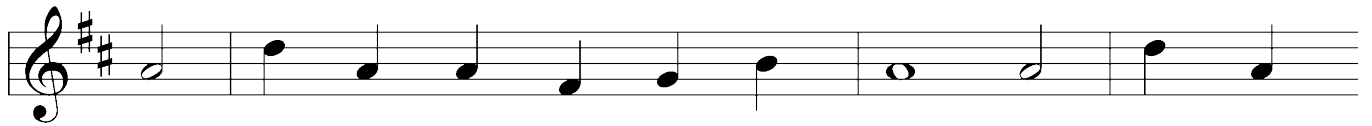
"May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill" (LSB 698)



1 May we Thy pre - cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on  
2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace a -  
3 Spir - it of life, of love and peace, U - nite our



earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove;  
dore, Thy pow'r con - fess, From sin and strife to flee.  
hearts, our joy in - crease, Thy gra - cious help sup - ply.



Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all Thy  
One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of  
To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian



chil - dren and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.  
all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.  
fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

Text: Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt. Tune: Lowell Mason, 1792–1872 Text and tune: Public domain

## Profession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, † and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*Special prayer requests are announced followed by a brief silence for private prayer. During the season after Pentecost each petition ends with the phrase: "Hear us, O God."*

*Please respond by saying: "**Your mercy is great.**"*

*The prayers end with the words:*

**P** Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

### **Announcements**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

**L** Merciful God,

**C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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## Service of the Sacrament

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### Great Thanksgiving

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them up to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

### Preface

- P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through 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. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### Sanctus

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### Eucharistic Prayer

## Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** **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.**

## Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## Distribution of Holy Communion

Lutheran Christians believe and teach that in the Sacrament of the Altar, Christ's body and blood are given to those who receive the bread and wine. With the bread and wine, the gifts of His body and blood are given to Christ's people for forgiveness of sins, strength for our journey of faith, and a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. All who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and who trust His words that these gifts are given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins, are invited to receive the Eucharist.

Please follow the direction of the ushers to come to the Lord's Table. The bread will be distributed first. **Gluten-free wafers** are available for those who may need these. Please indicate this to the pastor at the distribution. The wine is then received by individual glasses only. Non-alcoholic grape juice is available for those who for medical or recovery purposes must abstain from alcohol.

Children who do not receive the Sacrament are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. Please cross arms over chest so the pastor and lay assistant are able to distinguish children who do commune from those who do not yet receive the Sacrament.

### **Distribution Hymns**

Summer Choir Anthem      "Be Thou My Vision" – SLANE (arr. Richard Shephard)

*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.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;*

*I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;*

*Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;*

*Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*High King of Heaven, my victory won,*

*May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun!*

*Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,*

*Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

"Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"

(WOV 706)

*Refrain*

Eat this bread, drink this cup. Taste and see the

good-ness of God. Bread of life, cup of love,

we re-joice in your pres-ence.

D G Bm Em A

D A G Em Bm F#m

G A D

(stanzas 1-4 on the next page)

1 I will bless the Lord at all times,  
 2 Look up - on the Lord, be ra - diant,  
 3 An - gels fold their wings a - round us,  
 4 Saints of God, bow down and wor - ship,

A F C

praise with heart and voice; in my God I  
 nev - er turn a - way. God will save in  
 guard through good and ill. Those who seek the  
 bless the ho - ly name. Rise to tell God's

F F/E Dm C Esus E

*Refrain*

glo - ry for - ev - er: lis - ten and re - joice!  
 ev - 'ry af - flic - tion, hear us when we pray.  
 Lord will lack noth - ing; taste, and have your fill.  
 great-ness for - ev - er, won - drous deeds pro - claim!

Am D G Em Asus A

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 Music: Jeremy Young, b. 1948


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## Dismissal

### Post-Communion Canticle

"Thankful Hearts"



☐ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God,  
and lead us forth in joy with shouts  
of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.  
(Lent:) A - men, a - men.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

☐ Let us pray:

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

☑ Amen.

### Blessing

☐ Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

☑ Amen.



## Dismissal

**L** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

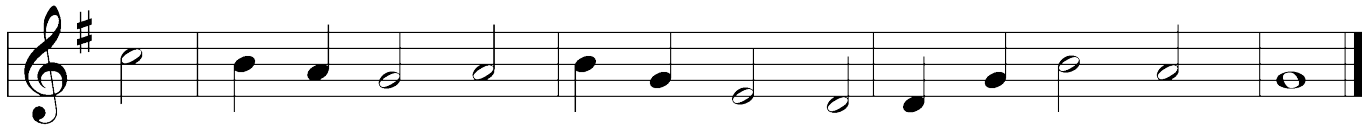
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Sending Hymn

“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” (LSB 707)



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat - utes still!  
2 Or - der my foot - steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin - cere;  
3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict - er watch to keep;  
4 Make me to walk in Thy com - mands—'Tis a de - light - ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!  
Let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.  
And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re - store Thy wan - d'ring sheep.  
Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt. Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870 Text and tune: Public domain

## Postlude

“Maestoso” from Three Short Preludes (Everett Titcomb)



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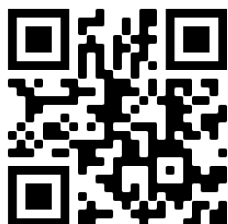
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are given by donations to the flower fund.

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