

# Order of Service

## Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

July 12, 2020

*"With one mind and one voice glorify God the Father."*

Opening Hymn: ELH 65 vs. 1, 2, and 5 (Tune TLH # 39)

*"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Salvation!  
Join the full throng; Wake, harp and psalter and song;  
Sound forth in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord

**Who o'er all things so wondrously** reigneth,  
Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen, How thy desires all have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath,  
Come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen, Sound from His people again;  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

[ P = Pastor C = Congregation ]

### The Invocation

P: We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: (sung) Amen.

## **The Confession & Absolution**

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Merciful Father, 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.

P: On this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of the Lord Jesus Christ I announce the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

C: (sung) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, forevermore. Amen.

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### Prayer for the Day

P: O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises. We ask for this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sung) Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 28: 5-9

*(Many faithful Old Testament prophets correctly foretold God's wrath against disobedient kingdoms. Hananiah proclaimed the popular message that God was going to restore peace. Jeremiah wished it could be so. But if Hananiah's prophecy of peace did not materialize, he would be exposed as a false prophet.)*

<sup>5</sup>Then the prophet Jeremiah replied to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord. <sup>6</sup>He said, "Amen! May the Lord do so! May the Lord fulfill the words you have prophesied and bring back the vessels of the Lord's house, and may he bring back all the exiles from Babylon to this place. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless, listen now to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup>The prophets from ancient times who came before you and me prophesied war, famine, and plague against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies peace, only when the word of that prophet actually happens will that prophet become known as someone whom the Lord has truly sent."

The Holy Bible, Evangelical Heritage Version® (EHV)

Psalm for the Day: 89

P: I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

C: With my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

P: I will declare that your love stands firm forever,

C: That you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

P: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant,"

**C: "I will establish your line forever and make your throne firm through all generations."**

P: The heavens praise your wonders, Lord,

C: Your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

P: Who is like you, Lord God Almighty?

C: You, Lord, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

The Epistle Lesson: Romans 6:1b-11

*(Through Holy Baptism we participate in Christ's death and resurrection. Sin no longer has dominion over us. We are free to live a godly life here on earth and forever in heaven.)*

<sup>1</sup> Shall we keep on sinning so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> Absolutely not! We died to sin. How can we go on living in it any longer? <sup>3</sup> Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were therefore buried with him by this baptism into his death, so that just as he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too would also walk in a new life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be united with him in the likeness of his resurrection. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him, to make our sinful body powerless, so that we would not continue to serve sin. <sup>7</sup> For the person who has died has been declared free from sin. <sup>8</sup> And since we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that since Christ has been raised from the dead, he will never die again. Death no longer has control over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died, he died to sin once and for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> In the same way also consider yourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. (EHV)

### The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 10: 40-42

(When we are at peace with God, we are, of necessity, at war with the world, which has rejected our Savior. Our love for Jesus may sever the closest bonds of human love, or it may cost us our lives. We can be sure that when we suffer crosses with Jesus, we will receive eternal life by the grace of God. Likewise, the most *insignificant act of mercy done out of faith in Jesus will receive God's eternal favor.*)

<sup>40</sup>“Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward. Whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man’s reward. <sup>42</sup>Whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink because he is my disciple—Amen I tell you—he will never lose his reward.” (EHV)

### The Confession of Faith — The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Children’s Sermonette

Hymn: ELH 402      *“Holy Ghost, with Light Divine”*

Holy Ghost, with light divine  
Shine upon this heart of mine;  
Chase the shades of night away,  
Turn the darkness into day.

**Let me see my Savior’s face,**  
Let me all His beauties trace;  
Show those glorious truths to me  
Which are only known to Thee.

**Holy Ghost, with pow’r divine**  
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;  
In Thy mercy pity me,  
**From sin’s bondage set me free.**

Holy Ghost, with joy divine  
Cheer this saddened heart of mine;  
Yield a sacred, settled peace,  
Let it grow and still increase.

Sermon: Matthew 10:34-39  
*“Jesus Peace is Worth the Fight”*

<sup>34</sup>“Do not think that I came to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup>For I came to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup>A man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.

<sup>37</sup>“Whoever 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. <sup>38</sup>Whoever does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. (EHV)

Hymn: ELH 210

*“Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”*

**Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life’s way;**

Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day.

Without Your grace and favor I go astray;

So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

Lord, when the tempest rages I need not fear;

For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near.

Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe,

For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.

Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come,

I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home,

And nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend!

So, take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

Offering Prayer

*Through Jesus’ blood and merit I am at peace with God;*

*What, then, can daunt my spirit, However dark my road?*

*My courage shall not fail me, For God is on my side;*

*Though hell itself assail me, Its rage I may deride. Amen.*

10:00 a.m. - Installation of Teachers and Principal

Katelyn Zeamer – K-3 and K-4

Sarah Krueger – Grades 7-8

Jim Speerschneider – Principal

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### Prayer of the Church

P: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

P: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed truthfully to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope to the world.

P: Look with favor on our nation. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice.

C: Protect those who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.

P: Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident and spare us from the ravages of disease and epidemic.

C: Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.

P: Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

P: Hear us Lord, as we bring our private petitions to you.

Silent Prayer

P: Gracious Father, we pray as Jesus taught, with confidence that you will hear and will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.



## The 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.

## Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn to you in His favor and give you peace

C: (sung) Amen. Amen. Amen.

## Closing Hymn:– TLH 451 vs. 1, 3, 4

*“Stand Up! Stand Up for Jesus”*

Stand up!--stand up for Jesus, Ye soldiers of the Cross!

Lift high His royal banner, It must not suffer loss.

From vict'ry unto vict'ry His army shall He lead

Till ev'ry foe is vanquished And Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up!--stand up for Jesus! Stand in His strength alone; The arm of flesh  
will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own. Put on the Gospel armor, Each piece  
put on with prayer; Where duty calls or danger, Be never wanting there.

Stand up!--stand up for Jesus! The strife will not be long; This day the noise  
of battle, The next, the victor's song.

To him that overcometh A crown of life shall be;

He with the King of Glory Shall reign eternally.