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# GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

**June 14, 2020 - Time after Pentecost**

*“Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers.”*

[Matthew 9:38]

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## WELCOME

We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning.

**9:30 A.M. Evangelical Lutheran Worship**

*Moses tells the Israelites that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.*

## **PRELUDE**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell among Us

Paul Manz

*Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,  
come with Pentecostal power;  
Give the church a stronger vision,  
help us face each crucial hour.  
Build upon a firm foundation,  
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,  
Still the church is called to mission  
that God's love shall be made known.*

## **BELL**

*Stand as you are able*

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

Blessed be God, who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us  
remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

*Silence for reflection.*

God of mercy, **we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our car.**

**We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else.**

**We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need.**

**Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive in Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. Christ has set us free: rejoice in this good news!  
**Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

Gather Us In

ELW 532



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness

2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who

3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the

4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings

yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,

bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,

light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.

called to be light to the whole hu - man race.

call us a - new to be salt for the earth.

now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the  
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the  
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire . . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

## GREETING

The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you**

## KYRIE

### From Now the Feast



In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have



For the reign of God, and for



mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.


peo-ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your

word, let us pray to the Lord.

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Help, save, and de-fend us, O God.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Sit

READING

Romans 5:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the

Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

<sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

<sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

**A** The word of the Lord

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand as you are able*



## GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5-8

<sup>35</sup>Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. <sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; <sup>38</sup>therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

<sup>10:1</sup>Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup>but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' <sup>8</sup>Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

**A** The grass withers and the flower fades but the word of God endures forever.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Sit*

## TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

### SERMON

*Time for reflection*

*Stand as you are able*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## In Christ Called to Baptize

ELW 575



1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace  
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,  
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach  
4 U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.  
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.  
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.  
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,  
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.  
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise  
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.  
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.  
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.  
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.



## **SUNG CREED**

*Tune: Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

**We believe in God the Father,  
God almighty, by whose plan  
Earth and heaven sprang to being,  
All created things began.  
We believe in Christ the Savior,  
Son of God in human frame,  
Virgin-born, the child of Mary  
Upon whom the Spirit came.**

**Christ, who on the cross forsaken,  
Like a lamb to slaughter led,  
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
He descended to the dead.  
We believe in Jesus risen,  
Heaven's king to rule and reign,  
To the Father's side ascended  
Till as judge he comes again.**

**We believe in God the Spirit;  
In one Church, below, above:  
Saints of God in one communion,  
One in holiness and love.  
So by faith, our sins forgiven,  
Christ our Savior, Lord and friend,  
We shall rise with him in glory  
To the life that knows no end.**

*Stand as you are able*

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*Brief silence*

Holy One, you bring us together and call us your own. Bless theologians, teachers, and preachers who help us grow in faith (*following the examples of Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory of Nazianzus, and the teacher Macrina, whom we commemorate today*). Guide your church, that we might be a holy people. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, the whole earth is yours. Where there is fire, bring cool air and new growth. Where there is flooding, bring abatement. Where there is drought, bring rain. Inspire us to care for what you have provided. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, we have created divisions you will not own. In places of conflict (*especially*), raise up leaders who work to develop lasting peace and reconciliation. Encourage organizations and individuals who care for all forced to leave their homes. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you care for those who are harassed and helpless. Protect and defend those who are abused. Heal those who are sick. Feed all who hunger. Empower all whose voices go unheard, and help us respond to the pressing needs of our neighbors. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you provide a plentiful harvest of gifts and resources. Prepare us to labor and gather the fruits of this congregation, that we might discover new ways of living. Minister to us in our work, that we do not lose heart. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Holy One, you bring all people to yourself. We give thanks for the holy people who have gone before us (*especially*).

Sustain us in your mission until the day you bear us up to  
join the saints in light. 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.**

**PEACE**

Canticle of the Turning

ELW 723

The peace of Christ be with you always.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE FOR PENTECOST

*Stand as you are able*

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

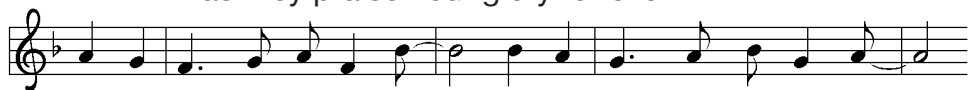
Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

With thanksgiving and unending joy we echo on earth  
the song of the angels in heaven  
as they praise Your glory for ever:



*Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



*än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.*  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



*Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,*  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



*väl - sig - na-de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.*  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

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*Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,*  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

*du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!*  
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

*Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,*  
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

*ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.*  
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### 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.**

*Stand as you are able*

## SENDING PRAYERS

O God, our beginning and our end, you kept Abraham and Sarah in safety throughout the days of their pilgrimage, you led the children of Israel through the midst of the sea, and by a star you led the magi to the infant Jesus. **Protect and guide us who travel this summer. Make our ways safe and our homecomings joyful, and bring us at last to our heavenly home, where you dwell in glory with our Lord Jesus Christ and the life-giving Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick from the coronavirus. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. **May God console them and grant them peace.**

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. **May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*Stand as you are able*

### SENDING SONG

### Rise Up, O Saints of God

ELW 669



- 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
- 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
- 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
- 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news, heal the sick, share  
our bread with the hungry.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell among Us     Benjamin Culli