



Faith Lutheran Church

Faithfully Growing, Welcoming, and Caring through Christ

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 3, 2016



PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



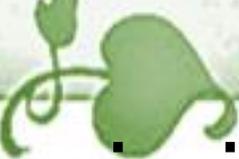


CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.





P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of one another.
Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are captive 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: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.





OPENING HYMN ~ “Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart!”

Rejoice, ye pure in heart!

**Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your king.**

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!





**With voice as full and strong
as ocean's surging praise,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old,
the psalms of ancient days.**

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!





**With all the angel choirs,
with all the saints on earth
pour out the strains of joy and bliss,
true rapture, noblest mirth.**

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!





**Praise God who reigns on high,
the Lord whom we adore:
the Father, Son, and Spirit blest,
one God forevermore.**

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!





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.**



INTRODUCTION



P: God is the source of our nourishment. Our Lord's invitation to "take and eat . . . take and drink" is a repeated one. In the Holy Eucharist, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

C: Amen.



PRAYER OF THE DAY



P: Let us pray.

ALL: **O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**





Children's Church





First Reading Isaiah 66: 10-14

A reading from Isaiah, the sixty-sixth chapter.

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her - that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.





For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.





You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God!**





Psalm 66: 1-9 ~ A Responsive Reading ~

R: Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.

C: **Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.**





R: Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies
cringe before you.

C: **All the earth bows down before you, sings
to you, sings out your name.”**





R: Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

C: God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.





R: Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

C: Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

R: Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.





Second Reading Galatians 6: [1-6] 7-16

A reading from Galatians, the sixth chapter.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit.





So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand!





It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised - only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.





For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule - peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God!**





ALLELUIA



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.





GOSPEL Luke 10: 1–11, 16-20

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go.





He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road.





Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.





Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you.'





Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning.





See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.





~ **SERMON** ~

“Worth Rejoicing Over”



HYMN OF THE DAY **“Here I Am, Lord”**

**"I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?"**





Refrain

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**





**"I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.**





Refrain

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.
Whom shall I send?"**





**"I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.**

My hand will save.

**Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.**

I will give my life to them.

Whom shall I send?"





Refrain

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**





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, and 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, and he will come to judge the living and 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,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**





Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation. *A brief silence.*

P: Gentle grower, send your church as laborers into your harvest. Make us joyful in sharing the good news of Jesus and make the harvest plentiful. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.





P: Creating God, bring about measured and healthy growth in fields and gardens through rain, wind, and sun.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.





P: Holy wisdom, you teach that we reap what we sow. Inspire leaders in our nation and throughout the world to sow the seeds of civility, peace, and goodwill.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.





P: Healer of all, we bring before you those in need of your healing presence. Do not be far off, but work your healing in the lives of all in need. We pray especially for...

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.





P: Holy friend, you call us to bear one another's burdens. Strengthen us in our commitment to the good of this congregation, our neighborhood, and our wider community.

Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.





P: O God, you have called the saints your own.
Gather us your kingdom, in the promise of
life forever with you.
Lord, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.





P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.





SHARING THE PEACE

P: The Peace of Christ be with you.

C. **And also with you.**





~VIDEO DURING OFFERING ~

**“Lord, I Need You”
By Matt Maher**





1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.





OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ our redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen.



DIALOGUE



P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks and praise to the
Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.





WORDS OF INSTITUTION





THE LORDS 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.





COMMUNION



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION



P: Let us pray.

Let us pray. O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.





BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen





CLOSING HYMN

“Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory”





**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 has 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.





**He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall
never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his
judgment seat.
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be
jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.**





Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.





**In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born
across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures
you and me.**

**As he died to make men holy, let us live to
make men free,
while God is marching on.**





Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
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His truth is marching on.





DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



















