



Faith Lutheran Church

***Faithfully Growing, Welcoming,
and Caring through Christ***

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 10, 2018

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy
endures forever.

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: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(A brief silence.)*

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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.

OPENING HYMN *“I Love to Tell the Story”*

**I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.**

Refrain

I love to tell the story;

'twill be my theme in glory

to tell the old, old story

of Jesus and his love.

**I love to tell the story:
how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard
the message of salvation
from God's own holy word. Refrain**

Refrain

***I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.***

**I love to tell the story,
for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting
to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
I'll sing the old, old story
that I have loved so long. Refrain**

Refrain

***I love to tell the story;
'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.***

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 TO THE DAY

P: A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are sisters and brothers of the Lord. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. *(A brief silence.)* All-powerful God,

C: **in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S CHURCH



FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

R: A reading from Genesis, the 3rd chapter.

Adam and Eve heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked?”

Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers; he will
strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

A Responsive Reading from Psalm 130

R: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

C: O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

R: If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD,
who could stand?

**C: Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that
you may be feared.**

R: I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;
in your word is my hope.

**C: My soul waits for the Lord more than those
who keep watch for the morning, more than
those who keep watch for the morning.**

R: O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

C: For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

R: A reading from 2 Corinthians, the 4th chapter.

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture - "I believed, and so I spoke" – we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

R: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the 3rd chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went home; and the crowd came together again, so that Jesus and the disciples could not even eat.

When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.”

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.”

And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin” - for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.”

And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Family Matters”

HYMN OF THE DAY *“Thy Holy Wings”*

**Thy holy wings, O Savior,
spread gently over me,
and let me rest securely
through good and ill in thee.**

**Oh, be my strength and portion,
my rock and hiding place,
and let my ev'ry moment
be lived within thy grace.**

**Oh, let me nestle near thee,
within thy downy breast
where I will find sweet comfort
and peace within thy nest.**

**Oh, close thy wings around me
and keep me safely there,
for I am but a newborn
and need thy tender care.**

**Oh, wash me in the waters
of Noah's cleansing flood.
Give me a willing spirit,
a heart both clean and good.
Oh, take into thy keeping
thy children great and small,
and while we sweetly slumber,
enfold us one and all.**

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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves. *(A brief silence.)* Lord God, you call your church to be one and teach us that a house divided against itself cannot stand. Overcome our separations in the body of Christ and make us one diverse family, the brothers and sisters of Jesus. Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

P: Lord God, with you there is forgiveness and hope, and you love your whole creation. Help us order our lives so that human activity in your creation gives voice to hope. Empower us to bring healing in your world. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Lord God, you still walk among us and we still hide ourselves from you out of fear. We withdraw from strangers and those unlike ourselves, the very people you call us to love. Replace our fear with trust, remove enmity between nations, and grant us peace. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Lord God, your compassion continually reaches into the lives of your people. Visit with loving kindness those experiencing afflictions of any kind (*especially*). Renew all of us and prepare us for glory so that we do not lose heart.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Lord God, more than those who watch for the morning, our souls wait and watch for you. In the coming months of summer, help us to be refreshed and at play, watching and waiting for you at every turn.
Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: Lord God, you raised Jesus from the dead and promise to raise us with him and bring us into his presence. We remember those who have died (*especially*), and we thank you for your steadfast love and power to redeem. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P: By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit,
O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and
thanksgiving; 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 OFFERTORY ~

“All That Matters”

by Colton Dixon

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being.

For your Word of life, O God,

C: we give you thanks and praise.

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 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.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN *“CHORAL BENEDICTION”*

May the light of God shine on us today.

May the light of God shine on us today.

May it show us where to travel;

lead us back if we should stray.

May the light of God shine on us today.

May the love of God live in us today.

May the love of God live in us today.

**May the warmth we feel within us
show in all we do and say;**

May the love of God live in us today.

May the peace of God be with us today.

May the peace of God be with us today.

May it guide us and protect us;

as we go our separate ways.

May the peace of God be with us today.

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Today at 10:45am is our meeting to consider taking out a property improvements loan.

A quorum is necessary to make a decision.

Please plan to stay!

