

Bulletin for June 6, 2021 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Prelude ***King of Kings*** by Dean Ramberg

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation P: We worship in the name of the Father, and the Son +, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Litany

P: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

**C: Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my call for mercy!**

P: If you, O Lord, should keep a record of our sins,
Lord, who could stand?

**C: But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.**

P: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

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

P: Hope in the Lord!
For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

**C: It is God who will redeem you
from all its iniquities.**

(based on Psalm 130)

Gathering Music

Lead Me, Guide Me (ELW #768)

Refrain

**Lead me, guide me, along the way;
For if You lead me, I cannot stray;
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.**

Verse 1

I am weak and I need Thy strength and power
To help me over my weakest hour;
Let me through the darkness Thy face to see,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. (Refrain)

Verse 2

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness;
Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress.
I am putting all my trust in Thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. (Refrain)

Verse 3

I am lost, if you take your hand from me;
I am blind, without Thy Light to see;
Lord, just always let me Thy servant be,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me. (Refrain)

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

(A time for personal confession and reflection.)

P: Eternal God our creator and redeemer,

C: in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: We are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's grace has been poured into our hearts, creating them anew, through the Holy Spirit. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for you while you were still a sinner; and for his sake, God forgives all your sins. As a called and ordained minister in the Christ of Christ, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of your sins. In the name of the Father, and the + Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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.

Prayer of the Day

WL: Let us pray.

C: All-powerful God, 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.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE, PREACHING AND SONG

First Lesson **Genesis 3: 8-15**

Second Lesson **2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1**

Children's Sermon

Gospel **Mark 3: 20-35**

(Before) **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

(After) **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Music of the Day ***A Mighty Fortress*** (ELW #504)

**1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.**

**The old satanic foe
has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.**

2 No strength of ours can match his might!

**We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.**

**4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.**

**Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
though life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!**

Confession of Faith..... Apostle's Creed

C: 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 into hell.

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 the People

WL: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Sharing a Sign of Christ's Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always! **C: And also with you!**

GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST

Offering

Moments of Generosity A message from the Creator Stewardship Team

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray,

C: Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution

Lamb of God (Tree of Life Liturgy)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us.

(Repeat)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

Grant us your peace.

Grant us your peace.

Post Communion Blessing

P: The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US IN MISSION TO THE WORLD

Blessing

P: The Lord God Almighty, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Amen.

Sending Music

Rise, Shine, You People! (ELW #665)

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
with grace unbounded.**

- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
now are forgiven.**

- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
of Jesus' glory.**

- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
God's new creation.**

Sending

P: Go in Peace. Christ is with you.

C: Thanks be to God.

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