

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church
1720 E Minnehaha Parkway
Minneapolis, MN 55407**



**PENTECOST 2
JUNE 19, 2022**

Silent Prayer Before Worship: O LORD God, we bring before You the cries of a sorrowing world. In Your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and LORD. Amen.

Worship Note: *As we continue to introduce Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW, the red cover hymnal), today's service is Setting Ten, page 203. The blue hardcover hymnal is TLH and blue paperback cover is WOV.*

Welcome

GATHERING HYMN, *My Lord of Light*, ELW 832 or WOV 796

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

C: Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from You and given ourselves into the power of sin. We

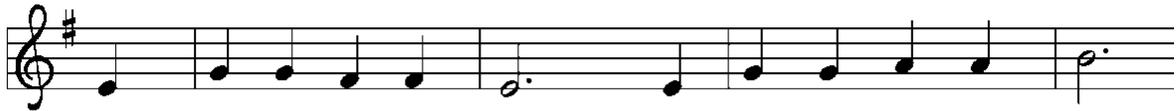
are truly sorry and humbly repent. In Your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to You, and uphold us by Your Spirit, so that we may live and serve You in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and LORD. Amen.

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.

KYRIE (ELW p. 203)

(Tune is Southwell, "Lord Jesus, Think on Me")



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!



CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW, bottom of p. 204)

(Tune is Nun Danket All, ELW 847 version)



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
"Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine.
of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: We like to take credit for what we do well, LORD; and while there's nothing wrong with that, remind us where our talents and gifts come from. Help us to remember that You love us enough to give us what we need to do things well, during good times as well as bad. In Your precious name, Jesus, we pray. Amen.

FIRST READING, ISAIAH 65:1-9 (NIV)

God promises to bring disobedient Israel back home to Judah.

[The LORD spoke, saying,] "I revealed Myself to those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. To a nation that did not call on My name, I said, 'Here am I, here am I.' All day long I have held out My hands to an obstinate people, who walk in ways not good, pursuing their own imaginations – a

people who continually provoke Me to My very face, offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on altars of brick; who sit among the graves and spend their nights keeping secret vigil; who eat the flesh of pigs, and whose pots hold broth of impure meat; who say, 'Keep away; don't come near me, for I am too sacred for you!' Such people are smoke in My nostrils, a fire that keeps burning all day. "See, it stands written before Me: I will not keep silent but will pay back in full; I will pay it back into their laps – both your sins and the sins of your ancestors," says the LORD. "Because they burned sacrifices on the mountains and defied Me on the hills, I will measure into their laps the full payment for their former deeds."

This is what the LORD says: "As when juice is still found in a cluster of grapes and people say, 'Don't destroy it, there is still a blessing in it,' so will I do in behalf of My servants; I will not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah those who will possess My mountains; My chosen people will inherit them, and there will My servants live.

L: This is the word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING, (NIV)

David calls on God to take revenge on his enemies.

LORD, how many are my foes! How many rise up against me! Many are saying of me, "God will not deliver him." But You, LORD, are a shield around me, my Glory, the One Who lifts my head high. I call out to the LORD, and He answers me from His holy mountain. I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the LORD sustains me. I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

Arise, LORD! Deliver me, my God! Strike all my enemies on the jaw; break the teeth of the wicked. From the LORD comes deliverance. May Your blessing be on your people.

L: This is the word of the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Tune is Unser Herrscher, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty")



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 READING, LUKE 8:26-39 (NIV)

Jesus heals a demon-possessed man in a foreign country.

[Jesus and His disciples] sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. When Jesus stepped ashore, He was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at His feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do You want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't

torture me!” For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

Jesus asked him, “What is your name?”

“Legion,” he replied, because many demons had gone into him. And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and He gave them permission. When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus’ feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So He got into the boat and left.

The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with Him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return home and tell how much God has done for you.” So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

P: This is the Gospel of the LORD.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES CREED (ELW p. 206)

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.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

** catholic means universal

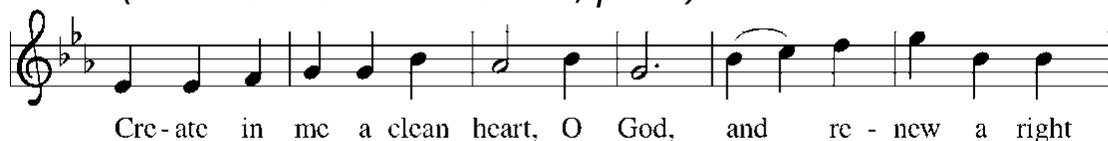
HYMN OF THE DAY, "Awake, O Sleeper," ELW 452, WOV 745

SERMON, "Whether We Want Him or Not"

"I revealed Myself to those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. To a nation that did not call on My name, I said, 'Here am I, here am I.'" – Isaiah 65:1

OFFERING CANTICLE (ELW 188)

(Tune is the same as TLH, p. 22)



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
 pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
 store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
 and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING *(The plate is available in the back of the church.)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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 upon you and be gracious unto you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG, "Precious Lord" ELW 773 or WOV 731

Spoken Announcements

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Voters Meeting Today

The annual Voters Meeting will follow the worship service this morning.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Statistics

Attendance on Sunday (6/12) was 33. The total offering was \$2,826 including \$10 to the Building Fund, and \$2 to Minneapolis Synod, and \$135 to Trinity First.

Mites Collection

The Mites collection from June 5 was \$54.76. Mites will be collected next on August 7.

Weed & Water

Calling all volunteers who are able to help water the flowers this summer. Please sign up for a week or more. The sign-up calendar and directions are in the narthex. If it turns out you have a conflict, contact someone else on the schedule to trade weeks. Thanks so much for your help again this summer. Questions? Contact Sally Gorski or Carol Horrmann.

Celebrations This Week

Happy Birthday to Julie Brammer (6/21), Erick Horrmann (6/23), Carrie Yeager (6/24), and Jasmine Witt (6/25).

Happy Anniversary to Pastor Roger and Jan Holland (6/25).

Now Available

- Lutheran Disaster Response info for Ukraine on the back table.
- Portals of Prayer (July to September) issue
- June Newsletter

Bible Study

The Apostles' Creed is the topic. We will meet in the "Family Room" at about 10:45 – resuming next Sunday. No study today because of the voters meeting.

SERVING THE LORD

Serving Today, June 19

June Altar Guild: Arlene Kise & Judy Sorenson

June Elder: Steve McConley

Counters: Adam Horrmann & Gail Klatt

Lector: Steve Blomberg

Organist: Julie Wright

Interim Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger

Recorder: James Blomberg

Treats: Open

Ushers: Lyle Horrmann & Adam Horrmann

Water & Weed: Kim Blomberg

Serving Next Sunday, June 26

June Altar Guild: Arlene Kise & Judy Sorenson

June Elder: Steve McConley

Counters: Keith and Mary Lange

Lector: Andy Tatham

Organist: Julie Wright

Interim Pastor: Rev. Don Mulfinger

Recorder: James Blomberg

Treats: Open

Ushers: Lynn Oolman & Andy Tatham

Water & Weed: Keith and Mary Lange