

6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
DIVINE SERVICE II
JULY 12, 2020 9:00 A.M.

PRAYER ON ENTERING CHURCH: *“LORD, I love the habitation of Your House and the place where Your Glory Dwells. In the multitude of Your Tender Mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your House to worship and confess Your Holy Name; through Jesus Christ, my God and LORD.”* (145)

BEFORE WORSHIP: *“O LORD, our Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as we come together to worship You in Spirit and in Truth, we humbly pray that You would open our hearts to the preaching of Your Word so that we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in Grace and Holiness. Hear us for His sake, Amen.”* (146)

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN: *“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”* [LSB: 901]

1.

Open now Thy Gates of Beauty;
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for Him Who answers prayer.
Oh, how Blessèd is this place,
Filled with Solace, Light, and Grace!

3.

Here Thy praise is gladly chanted;
Here Thy Seed is duly sown.
Let my soul, where it is planted,
Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
So that all I hear may be
Fruitful unto life in me.

5.

Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee; Let Thy will be done indeed.
May I undisturbed draw near Thee While Thou dost Thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.

2.

Gracious God, I come before Thee;
Come Thou also unto me.
Where we find Thee and adore Thee, There a
heav’n on earth must be. To my heart, O
enter Thou; Let it be Thy Temple now!

4.

Thou my faith increase and quicken;
Let me keep Thy Gift Divine,
Howsoe’er temptations thicken;
May Thy Word still o’er me shine As my
Guiding Star through life, As my Comfort in all
strife.

✠ SERVICE OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION ✠

INVOCATION..... [Pg. 167]

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

[Matthew 28:19b, 18-20]

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION [LSB: pg. 167]

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, Who is Faithful and Just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1:8-9

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most Merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You I 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 Almighty God in His Mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His Authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the **✠** Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

PSALMODY OF THE DAY: *Psalm 65:1-13 (antiphon: v. 5)*



- P** By Awesome Deeds You answer us with Righteousness, O God of our Sal- | vation,*
 the Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the | farthest seas;
 You visit the earth and water it; You greatly enrich it; the River of God is full of | Water,*
 You provide their grain, for so You have pre- | pared it.
- L** Praise is due to You, O God, in | Zion,*
 and to You shall vows | be performed.
 O You who | hears prayer,*
 to You shall | all flesh come.
- P** When iniquities prevail a- | gainst me,*
 You atone for our trans- | gressions.
 Blessed is the one You choose and bring near, to dwell | in Your courts!*
- L** By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness, O God of our sal- | vation,*
 the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the | farthest seas;
 the One Who by His strength established the | mountains,*
 being girded | with might;
- P** Who stills the roaring of the seas, the roaring | of their waves,*
 the tumult of the | peoples,
 so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe | at Your signs.*
 You make the going out of the morning and the evening to | shout for joy.
- L** You visit the earth and water it; You greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of | water;*
 You provide their grain, for so You have pre- | pared it.
 You water its furrows abundantly, settling its | ridges,*
 softening it with showers, and bless- | ing its growth.
- P** You crown the year with Your | bounty;*
 Your wagon tracks overflow with a- | bundance.
 The pastures of the wilderness | overflow,*
 the hills gird them- | selves with joy,
- L** the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck them- | selves with grain,*
 they shout and sing together | for joy.
 By awesome deeds You answer us with righteousness, O God of our sal- | vation,*
 the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the | farthest seas.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son***
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P** By Awesome Deeds You answer us with Righteousness, O God of our Sal- | vation,*
 the Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the | farthest seas;
 You visit the earth and water it; You greatly enrich it; the River of God is full of | Water;*
 You provide their grain, for so You have pre- | pared it.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

A In peace let us pray to the **LORD**.
C **LORD, have Mercy**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the **LORD**.
C **LORD, have Mercy**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the **LORD**.
C **LORD, have Mercy**

A For this Holy House and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the **LORD**.
C **LORD, have Mercy**

A Help, Save, Comfort, and Defend us, Gracious **LORD**.
C **Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE: ≈ *This is The Feast* [LSB: pg. 171]
Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

P This is the Feast of Victory for our God. Alleluia

C **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb Who was slain, Whose Blood set us free to be People of God. Power, Riches, Wisdom and Strength, and Honor, Blessing, and Glory are His. This is the Feast of Victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, Honor, Glory, and Might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the Feast of Victory for our God, for the Lamb Who was slain has begun His Reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY [Pg. 172]

P *Sung:* The LORD be with you.
C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, Your Mercy attends us all our days. Be our Strength and Support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your Promised Rest and the full Joys of Your Salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our LORD, Who Lives and Reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and Forever.
C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Isaiah 55:10-13*

"For as the rain and the snow come down from Heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹so shall My Word be that goes out from My mouth; it shall not return to Me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. ¹²For

You shall go out in Joy and be led forth in Peace; the mountains and the hills before You shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. ¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a Name for the LORD, an Everlasting Sign that shall not be cut off."

A **This is the Word of the LORD.**

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL [Pg. 172]

A Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain!
As we have heard, so | have we seen*
in the city of the | LORD of hosts.
We have thought on your steadfast love, | O God,*
in the midst of your | temple.
Great is the LORD and greatly | to be praised*
in the city of our God, his holy | mountain!

EPISTLE READING: *Romans 8:12–17*

“So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of

Adoption as sons, by whom we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are Children of God, ¹⁷ and if Children, then Heirs — Heirs of God and fellow Heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be Glorified with Him.”

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

C Glory to you, O LORD.

“That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² And great crowds gathered about Him, so that He got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And He told them many things in parables, saying: ‘A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶ but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ He who has ears, let him hear’...¹⁸ ‘Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹

When anyone hears the Word of the Kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the Word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the Word, immediately he falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the Word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the Word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³ As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the Word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

P This is the Gospel of our LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *“Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing”* [LSB: 584]

1.
**Faith and Truth and Life Bestowing,
Open now the Scriptures, LORD,
Seed to Life Eternal Sowing,
Scattered on the wind abroad.
Let not hearts, Your Word receiving,
Like a barren field be found,
Choked with thorns and unbelieving,
Shallow earth or stony ground.**

2.
**May the Spirit’s Pow’r Unceasing
Bring to Life the hidden grain,
Daily in our hearts increasing,
Bearing Fruit that shall remain.
So in Scripture, song, and story,
Savior, may Your Voice be heard.
Till our eyes behold Your Glory
Give us ears to hear Your Word.**

SERMON

APOSTLES’ CREED..... [LSB: pg. 175]

C **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into Heaven**

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to Judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints, the Forgiveness of sins,
the Resurrection of the body, and the Life Everlasting. ~~Amen~~ the ancient text reads "catholic," meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH [I timothy 2:1-4] [LSB: pg. 175]

OFFERTORY [Psalm 116:12-13; 17-19] [LSB: pg. 176]

C What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the Name of the LORD.
I will take the Cup of Salvation and will call on the Name of the LORD.
I will pay my vows to the LORD now in the presence of all His People,
In the courts of the LORD's House, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE [LSB: pg. 177]

P The LORD be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*
C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts *Colossians 3:1*
C We lift them to the LORD.

P Let us give thanks to the LORD our God. *Psalm 136*
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE (seasonal)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times...we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying::

SANCTUS ≈ Holy, Holy, Holy [Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9] [LSB: pg. 178]

**Holy, Holy, Holy LORD, LORD God of Pow'r and Might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the LORD.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING [LSB: pg. 178]

P Blessed are You, LORD of heaven and earth... with all the faithful the Marriage Feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom.
C Amen.

THE WORD'S OF OUR LORD [LSB: pg. 179]

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST [LSB: pg. 179]

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the LORD's death until He comes.[I Corinthians 11:26]
C Amen. Come, LORD Jesus. *[Revelation 22:20]*

P O LORD Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father. So remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER [LSB: pg. 179]

C 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. *Matthew 6:9-13*

PAX DOMINI ≈ *The Peace of the LORD* [LSB: pg. 180]

P The Peace of the LORD be with you always.
C Amen.

AGNUS DEI ≈ *Lamb of God* [LSB: pg. 180]

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have Mercy upon us.
 Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have Mercy upon us.
 Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, grant us Thy Peace. *John 1:29*

DISTRIBUTION [LSB: pg. 181]

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #1: *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*” [LSB: 641]

(Refrain)
 You satisfy the hungry heart
 With Gift of Finest Wheat.
 Come give to us, O saving LORD,
 The Bread of Life to eat.

1.
 As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
 They know and heed his voice;
 So when You call Your Fam’ly, LORD,
 We follow and rejoice. *Refrain*

2.
 With joyful lips we sing to You
 Our praise and gratitude
 That You should count us worthy, LORD,
 To share this Heav’nly Food. *Refrain*

3.
 Is not the Cup we bless and share
 The Blood of Christ outpoured?
 Do not one Cup, one Loaf, declare
 Our oneness in the LORD? *Refrain*

4.
 The myst’ry of Your presence, LORD,
 No mortal tongue can tell:
 Whom all the world cannot contain
 Comes in our hearts to dwell. *Refrain*

5.
 You give Yourself to us, O LORD;
 Then selfless let us be,
 To serve each other in Your Name
 In truth and charity. *Refrain*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #2: *“O LORD, We Praise Thee”* [LSB: 617]

1.
 O LORD, we praise Thee,
 Bless Thee, and adore Thee,
 In thanksgiving bow before Thee.
 Thou with Thy Body
 And Thy Blood didst nourish
 Our weak souls that they may flourish: O
 LORD, have Mercy!
 May Thy Body, LORD, born of Mary,
 That our sins and sorrows did carry,
 And Thy Blood for us plead
 In all trial, fear, and need:
 O LORD, have Mercy!

2.
 Thy Holy Body into death was given, Life to
 win for us in Heaven.
 No greater Love than
 This to Thee could bind us;
 May this feast thereof remind us!
 O LORD, have Mercy!
 LORD, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee
 That Thy Blood should bless and sustain me.
 All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God
 once more is made: O LORD, have Mercy!

3.
 May God bestow on us His Grace and Favor That we follow Christ our Savior
 And live together here in love and union Nor despise this blest Communion!
 O LORD, have Mercy! Let not Thy Good Spirit forsake us; Grant that Heav’nly-minded
 He make us; Give Thy Church, LORD, to see Days of peace and unity: O LORD, have Mercy!

THE DISMISSAL [LSB: pg. 181]

P The Body and Blood of our LORD Jesus Christ Strengthen and Preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
Depart ☩ in Peace.
C Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: [LSB: pg. 182]

C LORD, now You let Your servant go in Peace; Your Word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the Salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people; A Light to reveal You to the nations and the Glory of your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT [LSB: pg. 183]

P Let us pray ... Gracious God, our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, ☩ Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

BENEDICTION [LSB: pg. 183]

P The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His Face Shine on You and be Gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and ☩ give you Peace.
C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: "Before You, LORD, We Bow" [LSB: 966]

1.
Praise to the LORD, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your Health and Salvation! Let all who hear Now to His Temple draw near, Joining in glad adoration!

2.
Praise to the LORD, Who o'er all things is wondrously Reigning And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining. Have you not seen All that is needful has been Sent by His Gracious Ordaining?

3.
Praise to the LORD, Who has fearfully, wondrously, made you, Health has bestowed and, when heedlessly falling, has stayed you. What need or grief Ever has failed of relief? Wings of His Mercy did shade you.

4.
Praise to the LORD, Who will prosper your work and defend you; Surely His Goodness and Mercy shall daily attend you. Ponder anew What the Almighty can do As with His Love He befriends you.

5.
Praise to the LORD! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly forever adore Him!

POSTLUDE

Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament: Almighty and Everlasting God, we thank and praise You for Feeding us the Life-Giving Body and Blood of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send us Your Holy Spirit that, having with our mouths received the Holy Sacrament, we may by Faith obtain and Eternally enjoy Your Divine Grace, the Forgiveness of sins, Unity with Christ, and Life Eternal, through Jesus Christ, our LORD. (158)

For blessing on the Word: LORD God, bless Your Word wherever it is proclaimed. Make it a word of power and peace to convert those not yet Your own and to confirm those who have come to saving faith. May Your Word pass from the ear to the heart, from the heart to the lip, and from the lip to the life that, as You have promised, Your Word may achieve the purpose for which You send it; through Jesus Christ, our LORD. (150)