

**7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
DIVINE SERVICE II
JULY 19, 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: *“The LORD, My God, Be Praised”* [LSB: 794]

1.
The LORD, my God, be praised,
My Light, my Life from Heaven;
My Maker, Who to me
Has soul and body Given;
My Father, Who will Shield
And keep me day by day
And make each moment yield
New Blessings on my way.

2.
The LORD, my God, be praised,
My Trust, my Life from Heaven,
The Father’s Own dear Son,
Whose Life for me was Given,
Who for my sin Atoned
With His most Precious Blood
And gives to me by Faith
The Highest Heav’nly Good.

3.
The LORD, my God, be praised,
My Hope, my Life from Heaven,
The Spirit, Whom the Son
In Love to me has Given.
His Grace revives my heart
And gives my spirit Pow’r,
Help, Comfort, and Support
In sorrow’s gloomy hour.

4.
The LORD, my God, be praised,
My God, the Ever-Living,
To whom the Heav’nly host
Their laud and praise are giving.
The LORD, my God, be praised,
In whose Great Name I boast,
God Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost.

✠ **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. 1 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.

ABSOLUTION [LSB: pg. 167]

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: *Psalms 119:57-64*



- P** ⁵⁷ The LORD is my | portion;*
I promise to | keep Your Words.
⁵⁸ I entreat Your Favor with | all my heart;*
be Gracious to me according to Your | Promise.
- L** ⁵⁹ **When I think | on my ways,***
I turn my feet to Your Testi- | monies;
⁶⁰ **I hasten and do | not delay***
to keep Your Com- | mandments.
- P** ⁶¹ Though the cords of the wicked en- | snare me,*
I do not for- | get Your Law.
⁶² At midnight I rise to | praise You,*
because of Your Just and Righ- | teous decrees.
- L** ⁶³ I am a companion of all who | fear You,*
of those who keep Your | Precepts.
⁶⁴ The earth, O LORD, is full of Your | Steadfast Love;*
teach me Your | Statutes!
- 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** ⁵⁷ The LORD is my | portion;*
I promise to | keep Your Words.
⁵⁸ I entreat Your Favor with | all my heart;*
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☩ SERVICE OF THE WORD ☩

KYRIE ≈ *LORD, Have Mercy [Mark 10:47]* [LSB: pg. 168]

- 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 O God, so Rule and Govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your Final Judgment, we may be stirred up to Holiness of living here and dwell with You in Perfect Joy hereafter; 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 44:6–8*

“Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and His Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: ‘I Am the First and I Am the Last; besides me there is no god. ⁷ Who is like Me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before Me, since I appointed an ancient

people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. ⁸ Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides Me?’”

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

C **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL [Pg. 172]

R Oh, the Depth of the Riches and Wisdom and Knowledge of God!*
How unsearchable are His Judgments and how inscrutable | His Ways!
For from Him and through Him and to Him are | all things.*
To Him be Glory Forever. | Amen.

EPISTLE READING: *Romans 8:18–27*

“For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the Glory that is to be Revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the Revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him Who Subjected it, in Hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the Freedom of the Glory of the Children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. ²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits

of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for Adoption as Sons, the Redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this Hope we were Saved. Now Hope that is seen is not Hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself Intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And He Who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit Intercedes for the saints according to the Will of God.”

A This is the Word of the LORD.

C **Thanks be to God.**

COMMON ALLELUIA VERSE

C **Alleluia. LORD to whom shall we go? You have the Words of Eternal Life. Alleluia**

HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 13:24–30, 36–43*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.
C **Glory to you, O LORD.**

“[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, ‘The Kingdom of Heaven may be compared to a Man Who sowed Good Seed in His field, ²⁵ but while His men were sleeping, His enemy came and

sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. ²⁷ And the servants of the Master of the House came and said to Him,

'Master, did you not sow Good Seed in Your Field? How then does it have weeds?' ²⁸ He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to Him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But He said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the Wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, 'gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the Wheat into my barn.' . . . ³⁶ Then He left the crowds and went into the house. And His Disciples came to Him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' ³⁷ He answered, 'The One Who sows the Good Seed is the Son of

Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, and the Good Seed is the Children of the Kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send His angels, and they will gather out of His Kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, ⁴² and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the Righteous will Shine like the Sun in the Kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.'"

P This is the Gospel of our LORD.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling" [LSB: 827]

1.
Hark, the voice of Jesus Calling,
"Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting—
Who will bear the sheaves away?"
Loud and long the Master Calleth;
Rich Reward He Offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
"Here am I, send me, send me?"

2.
Some take up His Task in morning,
To their LORD responding soon;
Some are Called in heat of midday,
Others late in afternoon;
Even as the sun is setting,
Some are Sent into the fields,
There to gather in the Bounty
That God's Word so Richly Yields.

3.
For as rain and snow from Heaven
Water seeds in dusty soil,
Causing them to bud and flower,
Giving bread to those who toil;
So the LORD sends forth His Promise,
Words of Life and Joy and Peace—
Never void to Him returning,
Bearing Fruit with Great Increase.

4.
Hearken to the LORD Whose Coming
Marks the Time when Grace shall end,
When with His angelic reapers
He in Glory shall Descend.
Soon the Night, the Final Harvest;
Soon the Time for work shall cease.
Then the souls His Grace has garnered
Shall enjoy His Sabbath Peace.

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.

Christian: 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. *1 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 HYMN #1: *"If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee"* [LSB: 750]

1.
If thou but trust in God to Guide thee
And hope in Him through all thy ways,
He'll give thee Strength, whate'er betide thee, And
bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's Unchanging Love
Builds on the Rock that naught can move.

2.
What can these anxious cares avail thee,
These never-ceasing moans and sighs?
What can it help if thou bewail thee
O'er each dark moment as it flies?
Our cross and trials do but press
The heavier for our bitterness.

3.
Be patient and await His Leisure
In cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er thy Father's Pleasure
And His discerning Love hath sent,
Nor doubt our inmost wants are known
To Him Who Chose us for His Own.

4.
God knows full well when times of Glad-ness
Shall be the needful thing for thee.
When He has tried thy soul with sadness
And from all guile has found thee free,
He comes to thee all unaware
And makes thee own His Loving Care.

5.
Nor think amid the fiery trial
That God hath cast thee off unheard,
That he whose hopes meet no denial
Must surely be of God preferred.
Time passes and much change doth bring And
sets a bound to ev'rything.

6.
All are alike before the Highest;
'Tis easy for our God, we know,
To raise thee up, though low thou liest,
To make the rich man poor and low.
True Wonders still by Him are wrought
Who setteth up and brings to naught.

7.
Sing, pray, and keep His Ways unswerving, Perform thy duties Faithfully,
And trust His Word; though undeserving, Thou yet shalt find it True for thee.
God never yet forsook in need The soul that trusted Him indeed.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN #2: *"Here, O My LORD, I See Thee Face to Face"* [LSB: 631]

1.
Here, O my LORD, I see Thee face to face; Here
would I touch and handle things unseen; Here
grasp with firmer hand the Eternal Grace, And
all my weariness upon Thee lean.

2.
Here would I feed upon the Bread of God, Here
Drink with Thee the Royal Wine of Heav'n;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here
taste afresh the calm of sin Forgiv'n.

3.
This is the Hour of Banquet and of Song; This is
the Heav'nly Table spread for me; Here let me
Feast and, Feasting, still prolong The brief
bright Hour of Fellowship with Thee.

4.
I have no help but Thine; nor do I need Another
arm but Thine to lean upon. It is enough, my
LORD, enough indeed; My strength is in Thy
Might, Thy Might alone.

5.
Mine is the sin, but Thine the Righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the Cleansing Blood;
Here is my Robe, my Refuge, and my Peace:
Thy Blood, Thy Righteousness, O LORD my
God.

6.
Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear; The
Feast, though not the Love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here;
Nearer than ever; still my Shield and Sun.

7.
Feast after Feast thus comes and passes by,
Yet, passing, points to that glad Feast above,
Giving sweet Foretaste of the Festal Joy,
The Lamb's Great Marriage Feast of Bliss and Love.

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 Φ 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: "Christ Sits at God's Right Hand" [LSB: 564]

1.
Christ sits at God's right hand,
His Saving Work complete,
To Reign till ev'ry foe will lie
Beneath His feet—
All that the Father Planned,
The Son sought to Fulfill,
When first He said, "LORD, here am I
To do Your will."

2.
Christ was that Priest God swore,
Uniquely First and Last,
Who would in Righteousness and Love Be
unsurpassed: "A Priest Forevermore," An oath
God would not break, "A Priest within the
Order of
Melchizedek."

3.
Christ's Altar was the Tree,
Where on the world's behalf
He shed a Blood, unlike the blood
Of goat or calf, To Seal God's Guarantee
Of Grace that cannot fail;
With Blood He entered for our Good
Behind the Veil.

4.
What costly Sacrifice
To cover human sin!
Who but Christ Jesus had the right
To enter in? His Blood, that Sprinkled Price, So
we might be assured
That our inheritance in Light
Has been Secured.

5.
Then let us now draw near,
Washed in that Precious Flood
And enter the Most Holy Place
By Jesus' Blood. From hearts that are sincere,
Let tongues our Hope profess,
And trust anew God's Faithful Grace
That we confess.

6.
All praise to Christ we bring,
Our LORD Who Intercedes,
Our Great High Priest Enthroned above
Who knows our needs;
And to the Father sing
Our songs of thankful praise,
Who with the Spirit Reigns in Love
For Endless Days.

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)