

Take a moment to notice the \* at the beginning of various portions of the order of service. The \* indicates the place where it is inappropriate to enter or leave the sanctuary because it marks a time of prayer or respect for the Word of the Lord. Please be considerate of others around you by honoring these notations.

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Our Only Hope Is in Christ’s Righteousness

July 16, 2023

**AS WE GATHER:** *"Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven"* (Matt 5:20). God demands nothing less than perfection and holiness from you in regard to His commandments (Ex. 20:1-17). Your only hope, then, is not in your own goodness but in the goodness of Christ, who did not come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them for you. In Christ, your righteousness does indeed exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees. For you have been baptized into Christ’s death and your sinful nature crucified. Therefore, he who has died has been freed from sin (Rom. 6:1-11). You are now raised with Christ to walk in newness of life and to share in His resurrection on the Last Day. Christ has brought you through the baptismal sea *"out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery"* (Ex. 20:2). Therefore, *"consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus"* (Rom. 6:11).

\*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People: who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

**People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

**People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

\*COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good things,

**People: graft into our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
Matins

**Organ Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Opening Hymn** **LSB 829**  
"Christ the Eternal Lord"

**\*Confession and Absolution:** (Printed)

**"O Lord, open my lips..."** **LSB 219**

PSALMODY

**Venite:** **LSB 220ff**

READINGS

**Catechism Review**

**Catechism Recitation** Question #8

**Old Testament:** Exodus 20:1-17

**Epistle:** Romans 6:1-11

**\*Holy Gospel:** Matthew 5:17-26

**\*Common Responsory** **LSB 221**

**Office Hymn:** **LSB 562**  
"All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall " v 1-5

**Sermon**

**Offertory** **LSB 955**

**\*Canticle** **LSB 941**

PRAYER

**\*Kyrie:** **LSB 227**

**\*Lord’s Prayer:** **LSB 227**

**\*Prayer of the Church**

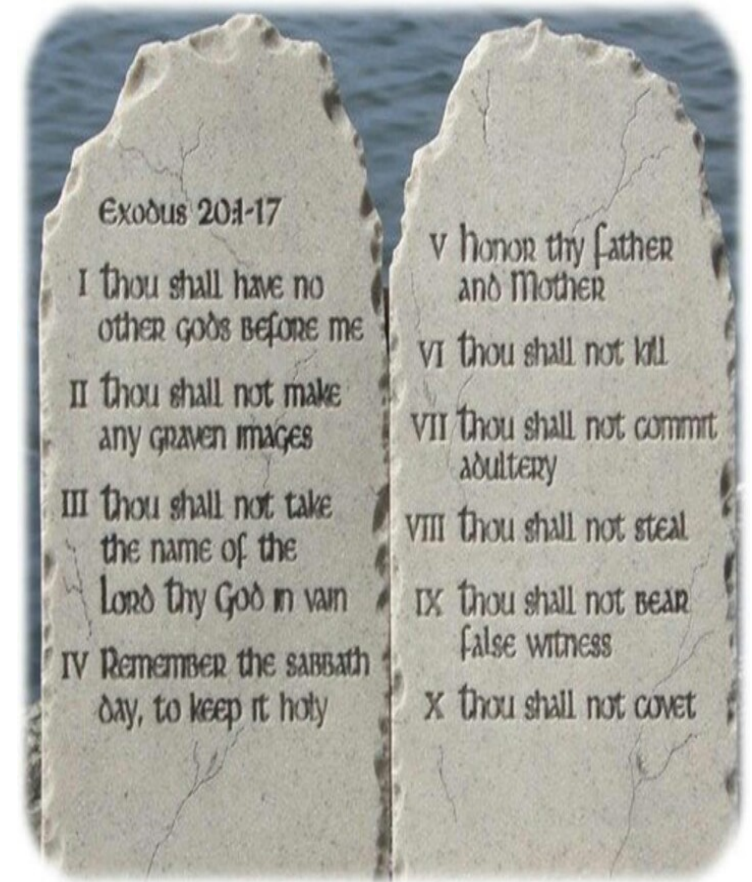
**\*Collect of the Day:** (Printed)

**\*Collect for Grace:** **LSB 228**

**\*Benedicamus/Benediction:** **LSB 228**

**Closing Hymn:** **LSB 862**  
"All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall" v 6

As Prayer Warriors with Love, Inc.: For women- a woman please pray for her sister as she was in a car accident. a woman please pray for her to stay safe from people who may hurt her. a woman please pray for her to get employment, and to better use her time and resources. Please pray for her family, and her future. a woman please pray over her life, and her finances. Please pray as she makes hard decisions. Also, please pray for her back issues. a woman please pray that her back pain will end soon so she can get back to work. Also, that her dream of being a social worker will happen. a woman please pray over her life and circumstances. a woman please pray for her health and strength. a woman please pray for her son having surgery, and for the doctors during the surgery. a woman please pray over her health and finances as she is unable to work due to her illness, and now can not pay the rent. a woman please pray for her family, and for her to have strength as she goes thru her struggles. a woman please pray for her as she grieves for her friend who died of suicide a few weeks ago. a woman please pray for her son to be released from prison. He needs a miracle, he is in prison for life. a woman please pray for her housing issues to be solved. Please pray for her family as they deal with health issues. For men -For a man please pray for justice and deliverance for our community and others after finding out about a difficult family tragedy. a man please pray for his girlfriend's mom having surgery for an aneurysm soon. a man please pray over his life. a man please pray that he will get a job soon. Also, please pray for good health for him and his two sons. a man please pray over his fiances, for his stress to be lessened, and for him to know the presence of God in his life. a man please pray for success in new job. Please pray for his Mom disabled with lupus; heart failure, lymphedema in legs, and that his brother's life improves. Also, for safety walking back and forth to work. a man please pray for his health, as he works to stay clean. a man please pray for him, his family, LoveINC and for better times. This request came online to the LoveINC office. Please pray for my mom's salvation and pray for her healing. She lost her hearing, has memory loss, bad posture, body pain, and high blood pressure. Pray for excellent health. Pray for a long life. Pray for the removal of debt. Also, please pray for salvation and excellent health and long life for my uncle, aunt, and Pray salvation, healing and long life for my mom's boyfriend who has cancer. Please Pray GOD Blesses me with a life partner real soon.,I've been praying for this since 1995...In the name of Jesus.



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