

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost-

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 89:1, 15–18*

Reader: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

R: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever.

C: With my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

R: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face, who exult in your name all the day and in your righteousness are exalted.

C: For you are the glory of their strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.

R: For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.

C: 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.

OPENING SONG

"Sing to the King"

Sing to the King who is coming to reign

Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain.

Life and salvation His empire shall bring,

And joy to the nations, when Jesus is King.

Chorus:

Come, let us sing a song,

A song declaring that we belong to Jesus;

He is all we need. Lift up a heart of praise.

Sing now with voices raised to Jesus. Sing to the King.

For His returning we watch and we pray;

We will be ready the dawn of that day.

We'll join in singing with all the redeemed,

'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King.

Sing Chorus twice, then ending

Ending: Sing to the King. Sing to the King.

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another. . . I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my own fault. Therefore, I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.
Amen.

C: The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

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P: As a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the Lord's own command and promise, I forgive you all your sins.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 20:7–13

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me,
and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all the day;
everyone mocks me.

⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out,
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹If I say, "I will not mention him,
or speak any more in his name,"
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire
shut up in my bones,
and I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.

¹⁰For I hear many whispering.
Terror is on every side!

“Denounce him! Let us denounce him!”

say all my close friends,
watching for my fall.

“Perhaps he will be deceived;
then we can overcome him
and take our revenge on him.”

¹¹But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble;
they will not overcome me.

They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.

Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.

¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,
who sees the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you have I committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!

For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hand of evildoers.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE Romans 6:12–23

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG

"Draw Me Close"

Draw me close to you

Never let me go

I lay it all down again

To hear you say that I'm your friend

You are my desire

No one else will do

'Cause nothing else can take your place

To feel the warmth of your embrace

Help me find the way

Bring me back to you

You're all I want

You're all I've ever needed

You're all I want

Help me know you are near

Repeat all

Chorus

Help me know you are near

Help me know you are near

(Stand)

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

²¹"Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master.

²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be

revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed*

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.

Sit

THE CHILDREN'S TALK

LSB HYMN 725 Children of the Heavenly Father

1 Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish;
 In His holy courts they flourish.
 From all evil things He spares them;
 In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever
 From the Lord His children sever;
 Unto them His grace He showeth,
 And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh,
 God His children ne'er forsaketh;
 His the loving purpose solely
 To preserve them pure and holy.

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SERMON When Jesus Comes Again (Matthew 10:21-33)

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

PRAYERS *Lord, in Your Mercy . . . **hear our prayer***

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

(Sit)

THE SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION

"Seekers of Your Heart"

**Lord, we want to know You, live our lives to show You
All the love we owe You— We're seekers of Your heart,
Repeat.**

Ending: Seekers of Your heart.

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"O Lamb of God"

**Your only Son, no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.**

**Your gift of love they crucified,
They laughed and scorned Him as He died,
The humble King they named a fraud
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.**

Refrain:

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the holy Lamb of God,
O wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.**

**I was so lost, I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod
And to be called the Lamb of God. Refrain:**

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"Spirit of the Living God"

**Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.**

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(Stand)

ACCLAMATION *Rom. 11:33, 36*

Pastor: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

People: For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His favor upon you and give you peace.

People: Amen.

SONG

"Celebrate Jesus"

**Celebrate Jesus, celebrate,
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate,
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.**

**He is risen, He is risen,
And He lives forevermore.**

**He is risen, He is risen,
Come on and celebrate**

The resurrection of our Lord. *Repeat from beginning*

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To God Alone be All Glory