

REDEEMER

LUTHERAN CHURCH

First Service

B L E S S E D
FATHER'S
DAY



Sunday, June 18, 2023, 9:00am
Father's Day Celebration
Following the Leader

Canoeing specialist, Bill Havens, was a shoe-in, to win a gold medal in the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris. But a few months before the Games were held, he learned that his wife would give birth to their first child while he was away.

She told him that she could make it on her own, but this was a milestone Bill just didn't want to miss. So he surprised everyone and stayed home. Bill greeted his infant son, Frank, into the world on August 1, 1924. Though he always wondered what might have been, he said he never regretted his decision.

Well, he poured his life into his son and shared with him a love for the rapids.

Twenty-four years passed, and the Olympic Games were held in Helsinki, Finland. This time Frank Havens was chosen to compete in the canoeing event.

The day after the competition, Bill received a telegram from his son that read, "Dear Dad, Thanks for waiting around for me to be born in 1924. I'm coming home with the gold medal that you should have won." It was signed, "Your loving son, Frank."

Many would question Bill Haven's decision to miss his big opportunity in Paris, but he never wavered. He wanted his family to know that they always came first, no matter what.

And that made him a hero to a little boy named Frank.

Prelude

#571, God Loved the World So That He Gave

571 GOD LOVED THE WORLD SO THAT HE GAVE

1 God loved the world so that He gave

His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.

2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,

Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

3 God would not have the sinner die;

His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.

6 Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

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

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.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, I confess that I am by nature sinful and unclean. I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I have not loved You with my whole heart; I have not loved my neighbors as myself. I justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me. Forgive me, renew me, and lead me, so that I 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 Jesus, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

KYRIE

LSB 168

Assistant In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant 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.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Congregation Lord, have mercy.

Assistant Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Congregation Amen.

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 171

Assistant This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Congregation

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and 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 and honor and 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.

P The Lord be with you

C And also with you.

P: Together, we pray,

C: Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

Children's Time

First Reading Deuteronomy 6:5–9

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Readings Proverbs 22:6 and Ephesians 6:4

Train up a child in the way they should go; even when they are old they will not depart from it....Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

L: This is the Word of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 173

Congregation

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord

Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the Gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." And He called to Him His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them

out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ

#863, Our Father, by Whose Name

863 OUR FATHER, BY WHOSE NAME

1 Our Father, by whose name

All fatherhood is known,
Who dost in love proclaim
Each family Thine own,
Bless Thou all parents, guarding well,
With constant love as sentinel,
The homes in which Thy people dwell.

2 O Christ, Thyself a child

Within an earthly home,
With heart still undefiled,
Thou didst to manhood come;
Our children bless in ev’ry place
That they may all behold Thy face,
And knowing Thee may grow in grace.

3 O Spirit, who dost bind

Our hearts in unity,
Who teachest us to find
The love from self set free,
In all our hearts such love increase
That ev’ry home by this release
May be the dwelling place of peace.

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P: Please rise and join me as we profess our faith,

C: NICENE CREED

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Congregation

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Gathering of our Gifts and Tithes

OFFERTORY

Congregation

**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.**

The Prayers of His Children

P: Lord, in Your mercy. C: Hear our prayer.

PREFACE

LSB 177

**Pastor The Lord be with you.
Congregation And also with you.**

**Pastor Lift up your hearts.
Congregation We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
Congregation It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus
Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious
resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and
archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious
name, evermore praising You and singing,**

SANCTUS

LSB 178

Congregation

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n 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.**

The Words of our Lord

**P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death
until He comes.**

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Jesus, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray,

C: LORD'S PRAYER

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

C: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 180

Congregation

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

#570, *Just as I Am, without One Plea*

1 Just as I am, without one plea

But that Thy blood was shed for me

And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2 Just as I am and waiting not

To rid my soul of one dark blot,

To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

3 Just as I am, though tossed about

With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,

Fightings and fears within, without,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;

Sight, riches, healing of the mind,

Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,

Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;

Because Thy promise I believe,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown

Has broken ev'ry barrier down;

Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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#801, *How Great Thou Art*

1 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
 Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
 Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain

ref Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
 How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
 How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
 I hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
 And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze; Refrain

3 But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
 Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
 He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
 And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
 And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" Refrain

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#802, *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

802 IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

1 Immortal, invisible,
 God only wise,
In light inaccessible
 hid from our eyes,
Most blessèd, most glorious,
 the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
 Thy great name we praise.

2 Unresting, unhasting,
 and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting,

Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains
high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
of goodness and love.

3 To all life Thou givest—
to both great and small—
In all life Thou livest,
the true Life of all;
We blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish—
but naught changes Thee.

4 Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee,
all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render:
O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor
of light that hides Thee.

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THANK THE LORD

LSB 181

Congregation

**Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

P: Together, we pray,

**C: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through
this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would
strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward
one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.**

God's Benediction

#790, Hymn *How Great Thou Art* (801)

- 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!

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Announcements

Postlude