



9TH Sunday After Pentecost

August 2, 2020

Prelude

Song: "Forever"

Verse 1

Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Verse 2

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

Pre-Chorus

Sing praise sing praise

Chorus

**Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever forever**

Verse 3

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise sing praise

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

OFFERING OF CONFESSION

P: Gracious God,

C: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have acted out of a belief that there is not enough to go around, when you proclaim that in you there is only abundance. We have sought to spend on what does not satisfy, instead of trusting in your gracious provision in us and through us. Despite ourselves, you come to adopt us as your children, to extend the grace of

your life into ours by your sacrifice. In the midst of the sin that we cannot free ourselves from, you have sent Jesus to have compassion on us. Forgive us Lord, and grant us faith.

GIFT OF ABSOLUTION

P: Almighty God, in His abundance, has given His Son Jesus on our behalf and for His sake forgives us all our sin. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God unto all of you, that in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus you are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

COLLECT

P: Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

C: And also with you!

P: We greet one another in the peace of the Lord.

You are welcome to greet each other as forgiven brothers and sisters in Jesus, in your homes and in our chat, or send a text to someone you know sharing the peace of Jesus is for them. Or, if you are gathered in person, a polite bow or sign language of God's peace to each other.

READINGS

A Reading from Isaiah 55:1–5

55 “Come, all you who are thirsty,
come to the waters;
and you who have no money,
come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without cost.

²Why spend money on what is not bread,
and your labor on what does not satisfy?
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,
and you will delight in the richest of fare.

³Give ear and come to me;
listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,
my faithful love promised to David.

⁴See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,
a ruler and commander of the peoples.

⁵Surely you will summon nations you know not,
and nations you do not know will come running to you,

because of the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel,
for he has endowed you with splendor.”

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

A Reading from Romans 9:1–13

9 I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit— **2** I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. **3** For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, **4** the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. **5** Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

6 It is not as though God’s word had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. **7** Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham’s children. On the contrary, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.” **8** In other words, it is not the children by physical descent who are God’s children, but it is the children of the promise who are regarded as Abraham’s offspring. **9** For this was how the promise was stated: “At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son.”

10 Not only that, but Rebekah’s children were conceived at the same time by our father Isaac. **11** Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad—in order that God’s purpose in election might stand: **12** not by works but by him who calls—she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” **13** Just as it is written: “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

A: The Holy Gospel according St. Matthew, the 14th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

13 When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. **14** When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

15 As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

16 Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”

17 “We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

18 “Bring them here to me,” he said. **19** And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. **20** They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. **21** The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

A: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Hymn: "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

Lutheran Service Book 711

Savior, like a shepherd lead us;
Much we need Your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have bought us; we are Yours.

We are Yours; in love befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us,
Seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear us children when we pray.

You have promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to You.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to You.

Early let us seek Your favor,
Early let us do Your will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With Your love our spirits fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
You have loved us, love us still.

SERMON

Song: "How Can I Keep From Singing"

There is an endless song
Echoes in my soul
I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on
To the rock I cling

Chorus

**How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart (want to sing)**

I will lift my eyes
In the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You
Knowing You'll see me through
And sing the songs You give

Bridge

I can sing in the troubled times
Sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step
And fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up
Sing 'cause You're there
I can sing 'cause You hear me Lord
When I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath
Sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels
And the saints around the throne

Chorus

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart (want to sing)

Ending

I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart
I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing
Yeah I can sing

P: Let us confess our faith together using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**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 there 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.**

PRAYERS

A: Lord in Your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Rejoicing in God, we pray:

**ALL: 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 for ever and ever. Amen.**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with You.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is good and right 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. We welcome you who took up
a cross for our sake, and invited us to follow in both pattern and practice, that the glory of your
work would be shown in us. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of
heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**C: Holy Lord, God of power 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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BENEDICTION

A: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn: “Now Thank We All Our God”

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Now thank we all our God
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blest us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore

Oh, may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!

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