

6/21/2020 3rd Sunday of Pentecost

666 O LITTLE FLOCK, FEAR NOT THE FOE LSB 666

- 1 O little flock, fear not the foe
Who madly seeks your overthrow;
Dread not his rage and pow'r.
And though your courage sometimes faints,
His seeming triumph o'er God's saints
Lasts but a little hour.

- 2 Be of good cheer; your cause belongs
To Him who can avenge your wrongs;
Leave it to Him, our Lord.
Though hidden yet from mortal eyes,
His Gideon shall for you arise,
Uphold you and His Word.

- 3 As true as God's own Word is true,
Not earth nor hell's satanic crew
Against us shall prevail.
Their might? A joke, a mere facade!
God is with us and we with God—
Our vict'ry cannot fail.

4 Amen, Lord Jesus, grant our prayer;
Great Captain, now Thine arm make bare,
Fight for us once again!
So shall Thy saints and martyrs raise
A mighty chorus to Thy praise
Forevermore. Amen.

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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.**

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 in 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.

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.

INTROIT Ps. 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: Ps. 56:13

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from | falling,*

that I may walk before God in the | light of life.

When I | am afraid,*

I put my | trust in you.
In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not |
be afraid.*

What can flesh | do to me?
In God, whose | word I praise,*
in the LORD, whose | word I praise,
in God I trust; I shall not | be afraid.*

What can man | do to me?
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.

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my
feet from | falling,*
that I may walk before God in the | light of life.

KYRIE

LSB 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 171

A 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 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.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; 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

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Ps. 145:3, 5b, 6b

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,*

and his greatness is un- | searchable.

On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,*

and I will declare your | greatness.

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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

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, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

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.

725 CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER LSB 725

- 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

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.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LSB 176

**☐ 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.**

PREFACE

LSB 177

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.**

PROPER PREFACE

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 saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 178

C 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 179

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

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LSB 179

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

PAX DOMINI

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 180

C 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.**

DISTRIBUTION

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your
sins.

Amen.

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life
everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C **Amen.**

900 JESUS! NAME OF WONDROUS LOVE LSB 900

1 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
Name all other names above,
Unto which must ev'ry knee

Bow in deep humility.

- 2 Jesus! Name decreed of old,
To the maiden mother told,
Kneeling in her lowly cell,
By the angel Gabriel.
- 3 Jesus! Name of priceless worth
To the fallen of the earth
For the promise that it gave,
“Jesus shall His people save.”
- 4 Jesus! Name of mercy mild,
Given to the holy Child
When the cup of human woe
First He tasted here below.
- 5 Jesus! Only name that’s giv’n
Under all the mighty heav’n
Whereby those to sin enslaved
Burst their fetters and are saved.
- 6 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,

Human name of God above;
Pleading only this, we flee
Helpless, O our God, to Thee.

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837 LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

LSB 837 sts. 1–6

- 1 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain

- 2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.
Refrain

- 3 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
Refrain

- 4 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.
Refrain

- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.
Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

THANK THE LORD

LSB 181

☞ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell everyone what He has done.

Let everyone 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.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

☞ Let us pray.

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 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.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

LSB 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.

856 O CHRIST, WHO CALLED THE TWELVE LSB 856

1 O Christ, who called the Twelve

To rise and follow You,

Forsaking old, familiar ways

For ventures bold and new:

Grant us to hear Your call

To risk security

And, bound in heart and will to You,

Find perfect liberty.

2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve

The truth for ages sealed,

Whose words and works awakened faith,

The ways of God revealed:

Instruct us now, we pray,

By Your empow'ring Word.

True teacher, be for all who seek

Their light, their life, their Lord.

3 O Christ, who led the Twelve

Among the desolate

And broke as bread of life for all

Your love compassionate:

Lead us along the ways

Where hope has nearly died

And help us climb the lonely hills

Where love is crucified.

4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve

On roads they'd never trod

To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim

The nearer reign of God:

Send us on ways where faith

Transcends timidity,

Where love informs and hope sustains

Both life and ministry.

5 O Christ, the _apostles' Lord,
The martyrs' strength and song,
The crucified and risen King
To whom the saints belong:
Though generations pass,
Our tribute still we bring,
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,
Our lives an offering.

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