

# 6/6/2021 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

## *"Better Is One Day"*

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty,  
For my soul longs and even faints for You,  
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

*Chorus:* Better is one day in Your courts, better is one  
day in Your house,

Better is one day in Your courts than thousands  
elsewhere.

Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day  
in Your house,

Better is one day in Your courts than thousands  
elsewhere,

Than thousands elsewhere.

One thing I ask and I would seek: to see Your beauty,  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

One thing I ask and I would seek: to see Your beauty,  
To find You in the place Your glory dwells.

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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. 28:7–9; antiphon: Ps. 28:6*

Blessèd | be the LORD!\*

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.  
The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my  
heart trusts, and | I am helped;\*  
my heart exults, and with my song I give | thanks to  
him.

The LORD is the strength of his | people;\*  
he is the saving refuge of his a- | nointed.

Oh, save your people and bless your | heritage!\*

Be their shepherd and carry them for- | ever.

**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.

Blessèd | be the LORD!\*

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for | mercy.

*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.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*OLD TESTAMENT READING*

*Genesis 3:8–15*

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?” <sup>10</sup>And he said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.” <sup>11</sup>He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” <sup>12</sup>The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I

ate.” <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,  
“Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

**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*

*2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1*

<sup>13</sup>Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, <sup>14</sup>knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup>as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

<sup>1</sup>For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

**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*

*Mark 3:20–35*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

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

<sup>20</sup>Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat.

<sup>21</sup>And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, “He is out of his mind.”

<sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, “He is possessed by Beelzebul,” and “by the prince of demons he casts out the demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him and said to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is

divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you."<sup>33</sup>And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!" <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*741 JESUS CHRIST, MY SURE DEFENSE LSB 741 sts. 1*

- 1           Jesus Christ, my sure defense  
              And my Savior, now is living!  
Knowing this, my confidence  
              Rests upon the hope here given,  
Though the night of death be fraught  
Still with many\_an anxious thought.
- 2           Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;  
              Likewise I to life shall waken.  
He will bring me where He is;  
              Shall my courage then be shaken?  
Shall I fear, or could the Head  
Rise and leave His members dead?
- 3           No, too closely I am bound  
              By my hope to Christ forever;  
Faith's strong hand the Rock has found,  
              Grasped it, and will leave it never;

Even death now cannot part  
From its Lord the trusting heart.

4 I am flesh and must return  
    To the dust, whence I am taken;  
But by faith I now discern  
    That from death I shall awaken  
With my Savior to abide  
In His glory, at His side.

5 Glorified, I shall anew  
    With this flesh then be enshrouded;  
In this body I shall view  
    God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;  
In this flesh I then shall see  
Jesus Christ eternally.

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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*

**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.

**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.

*735 HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK*

*LSB 735*

- 1        Have no fear, little flock;  
          Have no fear, little flock,  
              For the Father has chosen  
              To give you the Kingdom;  
          Have no fear, little flock!
  
- 2        Have good cheer, little flock;  
          Have good cheer, little flock,  
              For the Father will keep you  
              In His love forever;  
          Have good cheer, little flock!
  
- 3        Praise the Lord high above;  
          Praise the Lord high above,  
              For He stoops down to heal you,  
              Uplift and restore you;  
          Praise the Lord high above!
  
- 4        Thankful hearts raise to God;

Thankful hearts raise to God,  
For He stays close beside you,  
In all things works with you;  
Thankful hearts raise to God!

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*673 JERUSALEM, MY HAPPY HOME*

*LSB 673*

- 1 Jerusalem, my happy home,  
When shall I come to thee?  
When shall my sorrows have an end?  
Thy joys when shall I see?
- 2 O happy harbor of the saints,  
O sweet and pleasant soil!  
In thee no sorrow may be found,  
No grief, no care, no toil.
- 3 Thy gardens and thy gallant walks  
Continually are green;  
There grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs  
As nowhere else are seen.
- 4 There trees forevermore bear fruit  
And evermore do spring;

There evermore the angels dwell  
And evermore do sing.

5 Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there  
Around my Savior stand;  
And soon my friends in Christ below  
Will join the glorious band.

6 O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare  
For that bright home of love  
That I may see Thee and adore  
With all Thy saints above.

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*668 RISE! TO ARMS! WITH PRAYER EMPLOY YOU LSB*

1 Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you,  
O Christians, lest the foe destroy you;  
For Satan has designed your fall.  
Wield God's Word, the weapon glorious;  
Against all foes be thus victorious,  
For God protects you from them all.  
Fear not the hordes of hell,  
Here is Emmanuel.  
Hail the Savior!

The strong foes yield  
To Christ, our shield,  
And we, the victors, hold the field.

2 Cast afar this world's vain pleasure  
And boldly strive for heav'nly treasure.  
    Be steadfast in the Savior's might.  
Trust the Lord, who stands beside you,  
For Jesus from all harm will hide you.  
    By faith you conquer in the fight.  
Take courage, weary soul!  
Look forward to the goal!  
    Joy awaits you.  
The race well run,  
Your long war won,  
Your crown shines splendid as the sun.

3 Wisely fight, for time is fleeting;  
The hours of grace are fast retreating;  
    Short, short is this our earthly way.  
When the Lord the dead will waken  
And sinners all by fear are shaken,

The saints with joy will greet that day.  
Praise God, our triumph's sure.  
We need not long endure  
Scorn and trial.  
Our Savior King  
His own will bring  
To that great glory which we sing.

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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.

*825 RISE, SHINE, YOU PEOPLE*

*LSB 825*

1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered

Our human story; God in Him is centered.

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,  
With grace unbounded.

- 2            See how He sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;  
He brings us freedom, light and life and  
healing.  
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,  
Now are forgiven.
- 3            Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,  
Your songs and prayers against the darkness  
hurling.  
To all the world go out and tell the story  
Of Jesus' glory.
- 4            Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.  
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.  
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation  
His new creation.

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