

**St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Warrens, WI**  
**6:30 PM Live-Streamed Devotional Service**  
**Wednesday, June 3, 2020**

**Pre-Service Music & Introduction to Service**

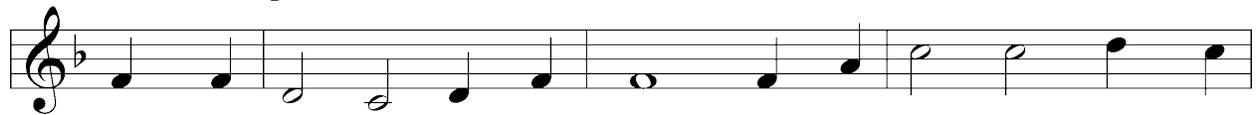
**We Sing: "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"**



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet  
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,  
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons  
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the  
With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool  
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing  
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this  
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.  
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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**Opening Verses: (Psalm 92:1)**

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and peace at the last.

**Amen.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
**To sing praise to Your name, O Most High;**

To herald Your love in the morning,  
**Your truth at the close of the day.**

**Confession:**

Holy and gracious God,  
**I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God, we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. We rest now in His peace and rise in the morning to serve Him. **Amen.**

**Prayer for Hearing God's Word:**

Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your Holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

**First Reading: *Psalms 136* (selected verses)**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.  
Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who by understanding made the heavens, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who spread out the earth above the waters, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who made the great lights, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
the sun to rule over the day, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
the moon and stars to rule over the night, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
and brought Israel out from among them, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
with a strong hand and an outstretched arm, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who divided the Red Sea in two, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
and made Israel pass through the midst of it, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
to him who led his people through the wilderness, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
It is he who remembered us in our low estate, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
and rescued us from our foes, for his steadfast love endures forever;  
he who gives food to all flesh, for his steadfast love endures forever.  
Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

**Scripture Reading: *Exodus 20:1-21, 24:12-18***

<sup>20:1</sup> And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup>“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>3</sup>“You shall have no other gods before me. <sup>4</sup>“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>“You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. <sup>8</sup>“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup> For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. <sup>12</sup>“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. <sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder. <sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery. <sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal. <sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s. <sup>18</sup> Now when all the people saw the thunder and the flashes of lightning and the sound of the trumpet and the mountain smoking, the people were afraid and trembled, and they stood far off <sup>19</sup> and said to Moses, “You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, lest we die.” <sup>20</sup> Moses said to the people, “Do not fear, for God has come to test you, that the fear of him may be before you, that you may not sin.” <sup>21</sup> The people stood far off, while Moses drew near to the thick darkness where God was.

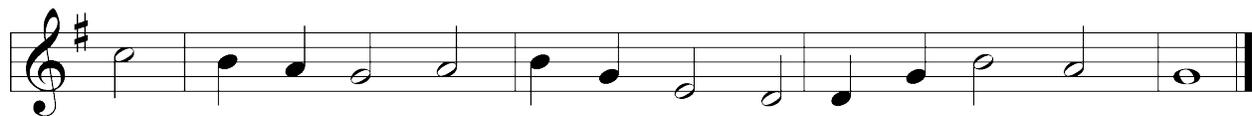
<sup>24:15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> The glory of the Lord dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup> Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**We Sing: “Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways”**



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His stat - ues still!  
 2 Or - der my foot - steps by Thy Word And make my heart sin - cere;  
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, A strict - er watch to keep;  
 4 Make me to walk in Thy com - mands—'Tis a de - light - ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!  
 Let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, But keep my con - science clear.  
 And should I e'er for - get Thy way, Re - store Thy wan - d'ring sheep.  
 Nor let my head or heart or hands Of - fend a - gainst my God.

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**Devotion:** *Times of Testing* – for Moses and the Israelites at Mount Sinai

## Prayers for our Neighbors and Ourselves

### Evening Prayer:

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer:

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.

### Benediction:

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you. Amen.

### We Sing: "Here I Am, Lord"

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

#### *Refrain:*

Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them, Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

Words and Music by Daniel L. Schutte; based on Isaiah 6:8

### Sending:

Go in peace to grow in Christ.  
Thanks be to God!