

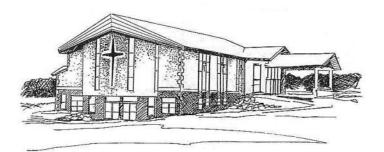
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



Christ, the Deliverer Even from Death!



"I rejoiced with those who said to me, Let us go to the house of the LORD."" Psalm 122:1



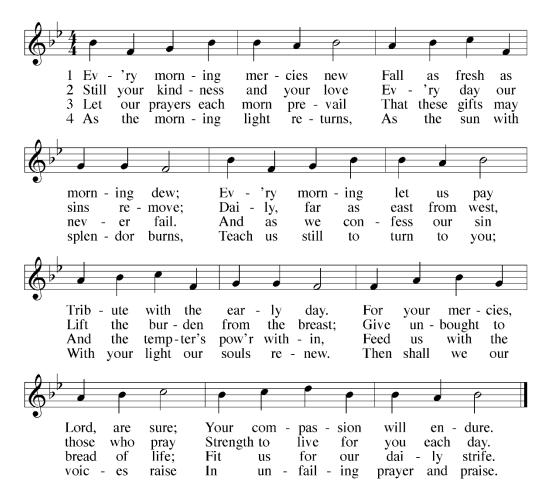
Lord of Love Lutheran Church

July 4, 2021

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 580)

Every Morning Mercies New



Text: Greville Phillimore, 1821–84, alt. Tune: VOLLER WUNDER (77 77 77) Johann G. Ebeling, 1637–76.

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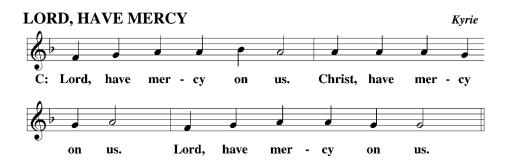
M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.





CONFESSION OF SINS

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ 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.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

HYMN RESPONSE (CW 239:1-2)

Glory be to God the Father

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, while eternal ages run!

Glory be to him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain; Glory be to him who bought us, Made us kings with him to reign! Glory, glory, to the Lamb that once was slain!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Lamentations 3:22-33

²² By the mercies of the LORD we are not consumed, for his compassions do not fail.

²³ They are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness.

²⁴ My soul says, "The LORD is my portion. Therefore, I will hope in him."

²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.

²⁶ It is good to hope quietly for the salvation of the LORD.

²⁷ It is good for a man that he bears a yoke early in his life.

²⁸ Let him sit alone and be silent, because the LORD has laid this upon him.

²⁹ Let him stick his face in the dust. Perhaps there still is hope.

³⁰ Let him turn his cheek toward the one who strikes him. Let him be filled with disgrace.

³¹ For the Lord will not push us away forever.

³² Even though he brings grief, he will show compassion on the basis of his great mercy.

³³ Certainly it is not what his heart desires when he causes affliction,

when he brings grief to the children of men.

SECOND LESSON

8 Now brothers, we want you to know about the grace of God that was given in the churches of Macedonia: ² In a severe test of trouble, their overflowing joy and their deep poverty overflowed into an abundance of their generosity. ³ I testify that of their own free will they gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability, ⁴ pleading with us with an urgent request for the gracious privilege of joining in this service to the saints. ⁵ And they did this not as we had expected, but in keeping with God's will they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us. ⁶ As a result we urged Titus, since he had already made a beginning, to bring to completion this gracious gift on your part. ⁷ But just as you overflow in every way—in faith, in word, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you also overflow in this gracious gift.

⁸ I do not say this as a command, but to test how genuine your love is, by comparing it with the eagerness of others. ⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich.

¹³ Certainly, our goal is not that others take it easy while you are burdened, but that there may be equality. ¹⁴ At the present time, your abundance will provide what they lack, in order that their abundance will also provide what you lack—in this way there will be equality.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Alleluia. (Mark 8:34b)

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Text: Magnus B. Landstad, 1802–80, abr.; tr. *The Lutheran Hymnary*, Decorah, 1913, alt. Tune: DEN SIGNEDE DAG (98 98 98) Christoph E. F. Weyse, 1774–1842.

SERMON

²¹ When Jesus had again crossed over in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him near the sea. ²² Then one of the synagogue rulers, named Jairus, came. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet ²³ and repeatedly pleaded with him, "My little daughter is near death. Please come and place your hands on her so that she may be healed and live." ²⁴ Jesus went with him...

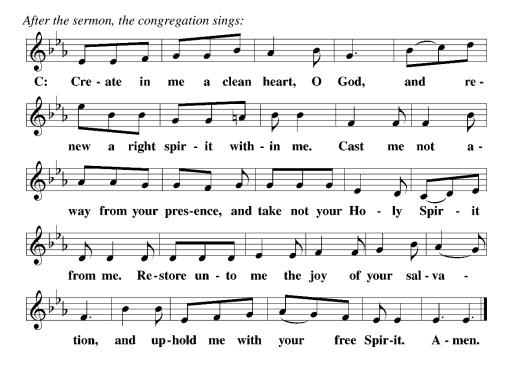
³⁵ While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue ruler's house arrived, saying, "Your daughter is dead. Why bother the Teacher anymore?"

³⁶ But when Jesus heard this report, he told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid. Only believe." ³⁷ He did not allow anyone to follow him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. ³⁸ They went into the house of the synagogue ruler, and Jesus saw a commotion with people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ When he entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping."

⁴⁰ They laughed at him. But after he put everyone out, he took the father of the child, her mother, and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ Grasping the hand of the child, he said to her, "Talitha, koum!" (When translated, that means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!") ⁴² Immediately the little girl stood up and began to walk around. (She was twelve years old.) They were completely and utterly amazed. ⁴³ Then he gave them strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and he told them to give her something to eat.

In His Hand, Death is Only Sleep

STAND



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **M:** Almighty God, we acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from your gracious hand. We come before you today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people.
- C: We thank you for enabling us to worship you in freedom and to serve you without fear.
- **M:** You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science.
- C: For all these blessings, we praise and glorify you.
- M: Look with favor upon our nation, and preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect those who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.
- C: Give us willingness to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good.

- **M:** Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident, and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic.
- C: Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.
- M: Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M: To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.
- C: Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

> The recorded Service of the Word for members at home concludes here. We continue with the Service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had **M**: given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

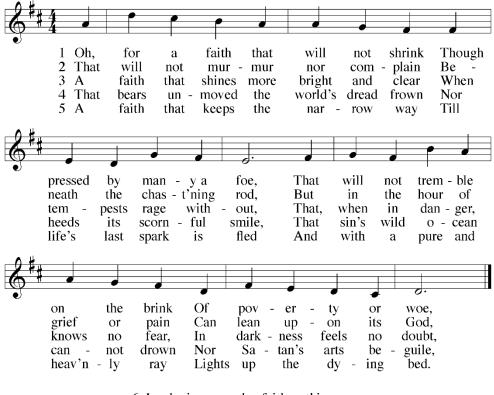


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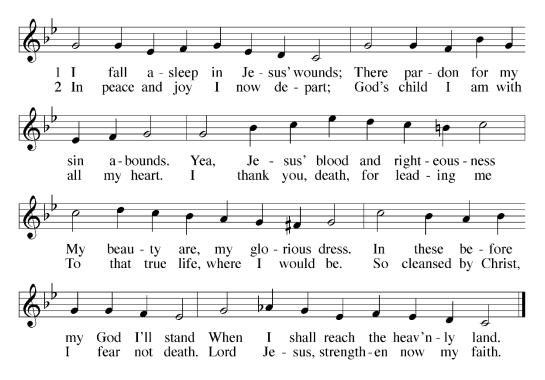
In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 405)



6 Lord, give us such a faith as this, And then, whate'er may come, We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.

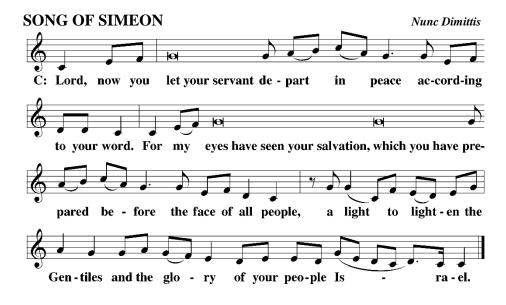
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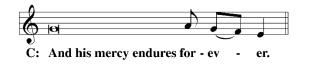
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Tune: VATER UNSER IM HIMMELREICH, DER DU (88 88 88) attr. Martin Luther, 1483–1546.

THANKSGIVING



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN (CW 619)

God Bless Our Native Land

God bless our native land! Firm may she ever stand, through storm and night! When the wild tempests rave, Ruler of wind and wave, Do thou our country save, By thy great might.

For her our prayers shall rise, To God above the skies; on him we wait. Thou who art ever nigh, Guarding with watchful eye, To thee aloud we cry, God save the state!

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Sunday July 4: 6th Sunday after Pentecost The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: Mike Wilson (9:00) and Steve Kalscheuer (10:30)
- Usher 9:00 am: Dave Olson
- Usher 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel

• A/V & Recording: Joe Hornbeck

Sunday July 11: 7th Sunday after Pentecost The Family Altar Devotion, 8:00 am Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: Dave Olson (9:00) and Greg Zeman (10:30)
- Usher 9:00 am: Aaron Oughton
- Usher 10:30 am: Chad Heath
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel

• A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Hudson Myhre (7/4), Weston Myhre (7/4), Roxanne Andler (7/5), Kellan Krueger (7/7), Reneé Olson (7/7), Amanda Nasett (7/8), Shari Blossom (7/10), Abigail Brown (7/10) and Audrey Wirsbinski (7/11) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Becki & Darrin Woolsey (7/5) and Kim & Rich Bauer (7/6) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Jack Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Annual Open Forum & Voter's Meeting

Sunday July 18 11:45 am in the sanctuary



Outdoor Worship Sunday July 25 at 10:30 am

Plan to join us for an outdoor worship service and picnic the end of July. **There will be only one service that day at 10:30 am.** Bring a lawn chair, sun glasses and wear comfortable clothes. The WELS Wind Ensemble will be playing for our worship service. Following worship, we will enjoy a picnic and some activities for the kids.

Picnic Information: This year, we will have our picnic a little different than in previous years. Most of our food items are going to be individually wrapped to help limit the number of hands that come into contact with the food. Burgers, brats and hot dogs will be grilled at church. There will be individual bags of veggies, chips, fruit and dessert served. Beverages will be provided.

Items we would appreciate being donated are:

- Individual size bags of chips/snacks
- Small carrots or cut up veggies (bring to church Saturday morning)
- Grapes or other "finger food" fruits (bring to church Saturday morning)
- Cookies or bars placed in snack size closable bags (approximately 2 per bag). Prepackaged desserts can be brought to church Sunday morning and placed in the kitchen.

Saturday: Volunteers are needed to help set up the tent on Saturday July 24 at 9:00 am. Meet by the garage. Volunteers are also needed Saturday morning to help set up the downstairs and place veggies and fruit into small bags. Meet downstairs in the kitchen at 9:00 am.

Sunday: Volunteers are needed Sunday to help set up before worship. Please arrive at 9:00 am. Volunteers are also needed to assist the grillers as the food is grilled and placed in buns. They will be wrapped in foil/bags for serving. About 11:30 am.

Please see the signup sheets on the counter as you enter church to donate a food item and to volunteer to help.

Sunday Devotion at 8:00 am - The Family Altar

Families of all ages are invited to this morning devotion. The group follows the format of *The Family Altar* which is available each week at the back of church, or on our website under **Devotions**. The group meets in the sanctuary.

Tuesday Bible Study at 9:00 am

"Gospel" means "good news"! The good news Mark brings us is Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. In a world that constantly unsettles us with bad news, Mark's good news offers us lasting peace and joy! Bring your Bible and join us on Tuesday



mornings at 9:00 for a study on the book of Mark! The group meets downstairs and uses the lower doors. Coffee is served.

Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 pm New topic: Ephesians

This study meets in the sanctuary.

Friday Breakfast/Bible Study at 6:00 am Topic: Acts

The group meets each Friday morning at the DeForest Family Restaurant. (505 W. North Street, DeForest) Breakfast is at 6:00 am with the study starting at approx. 6:50 am.