# 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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"Preach. Teach. Reach."

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**P**RELUDE During this time, everyone giggles and chats while waiting for the YouTube video to load.

**WELCOME** 

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

## C Amen.

P Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Reconciling God,
- We confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.
- P Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### GATHERING SONG

#### All Are Welcome



Text: Marty Haugen, b. 1950
Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen
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#### GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

#### **K**YRIE

- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P 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.
- P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

#### CANTICILE OF PRAISE

P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, 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.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

Through a symbolic action Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted the word of Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

- R The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; <sup>6</sup> and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. <sup>7</sup>But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup>The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."
- R The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23 (p. 917)

Sin is an enslaving power which motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

R <sup>12</sup>Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do 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? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, <sup>18</sup>and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

<sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- R The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL VERSE

- C Alleluia. [Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.] Alleluia.
- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 10th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

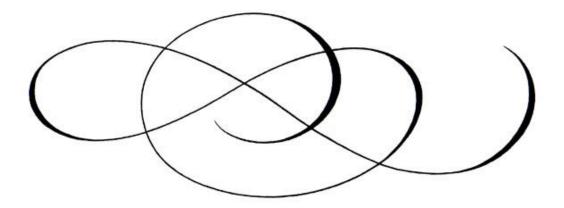
#### GOSPEL

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

- P [Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>40</sup>"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup>and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

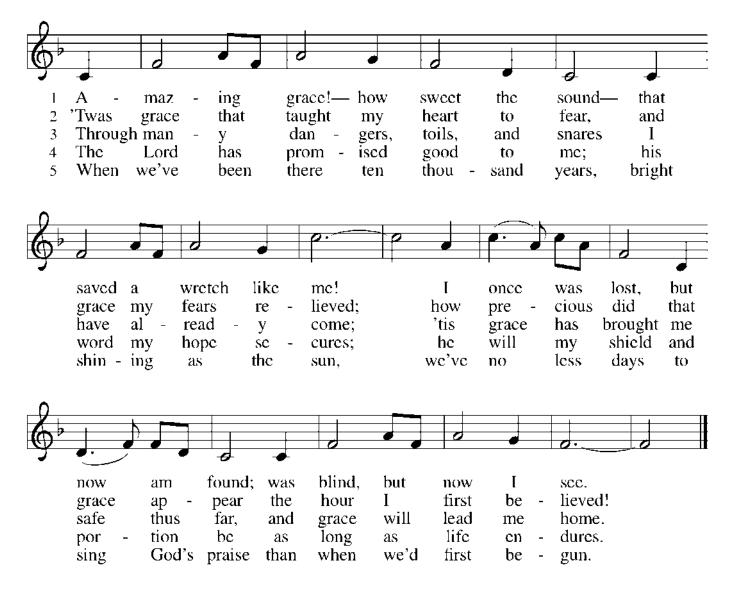
**SERMON** 

Pastor Robert Neubert online



#### HYMN OF THE DAY

# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound



Text: John Newton, 1725–1807, alt., sts. 1–4: anonymous, st. 5 Music: NEW BRITAIN, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

#### THE CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

#### A brief silence.

- P God of companionship, encourage our relationships with our siblings in Christ. Bless our conversations. Shape our shared future and give us hearts eager to join in a festal shout of praise. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- P God of abundance, you make your creation thrive and grow to provide all that we need. Inspire us to care for our environment and be attuned to where the earth is crying out. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.

P God of mercy, your grace is poured out for all. Inspire authorities, judges, and politicians to act with compassion. Teach us to overcome fear with hope, meet hate with love, and welcome one another as we would welcome you. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

P God of love, you gather in your embrace all who have died. Keep us steadfast in our faith and renew our trust in your promise. Hear us, O God.

# C Your mercy is great.

P God of community, we give thanks for this congregation. Give us passion to embrace your mission and the vision to recognize where you are leading us. Teach us how to live more faithfully with each other. Hear us, O God.

# C Your mercy is great.

P God of care, accompany all who are in deepest need. Comfort those who are sick, lonely, or abandoned, especially today we lift up Tina Bauman, Lisa Thompson, Mary Skinvik, Bev Lowe, Harper DeBauche, Helen Knuteson, Rudy Nielsen Lucy Wisner, Marv McCoy, Dave Wisner, and Stuart Svoboda. Hear us, O God.

# C Your mercy is great.

P Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## C Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- 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 indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C Holy, holy, 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. Hosanna in the highest.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin, Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup let us pray the prayer our Lord taught us.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

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.

#### **COMMUNION INSTRUMENTAL**



#### COMMUNION BENEDICTION

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

#### COMMUNION PRAYER

P God of the welcome table, in this meal we have feasted on your goodness and have been united by your presence among us. Empower us to go forth sustained by these gifts so that we may share your neighborly love with all, through Jesus Christ, the giver of abundant life.

## C Amen.

## **B**LESSING

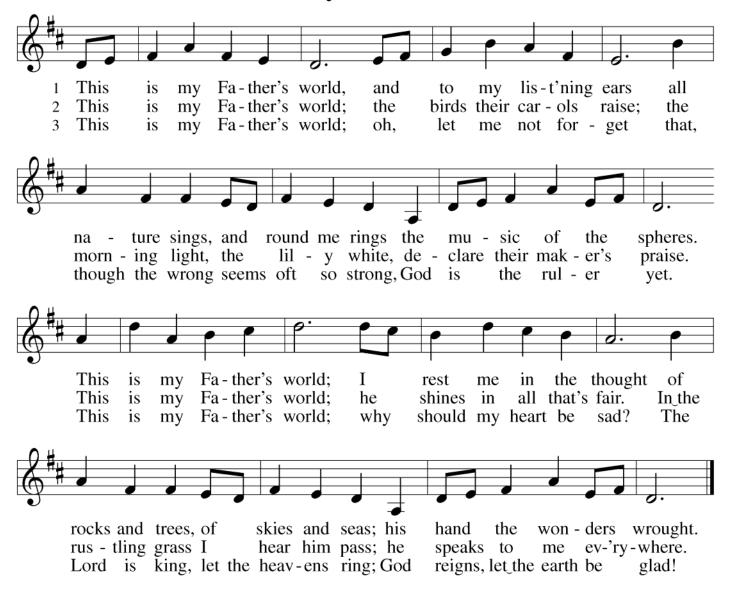
P Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

## C Amen.

#### **SENDING SONG**

# This Is My Father's World



Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

#### DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is with you.
- C Thanks be to God.

This week, Jesus tells us to be welcoming. One way to be welcoming is to give water to someone who is thirsty.

Help Squiggles bring the glass of water to the thirsty person!





# READER

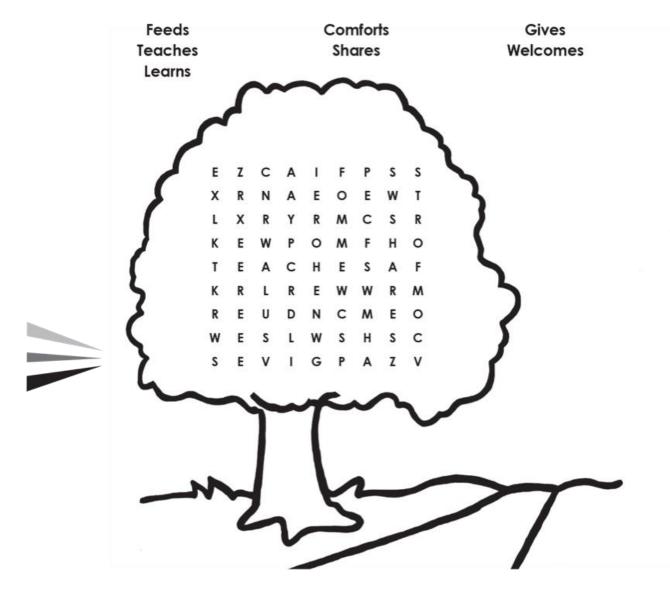
Pentecost 4

- Today is the fourth Sunday after Pentecost.
- The symbol for Pentecost is a tree.
- Trees symbolize new life and growth.
- During Pentecost, we celebrate the growth of the church!

# Look in the Leaves!

These words tell about ways that your church can grow. Each word can finish this sentence: Our church...

Search for the words inside the tree!



One of the words from the tree word search on the first page is missing in the memory verse! Look up Matthew 10:40 to fill in the blanks.

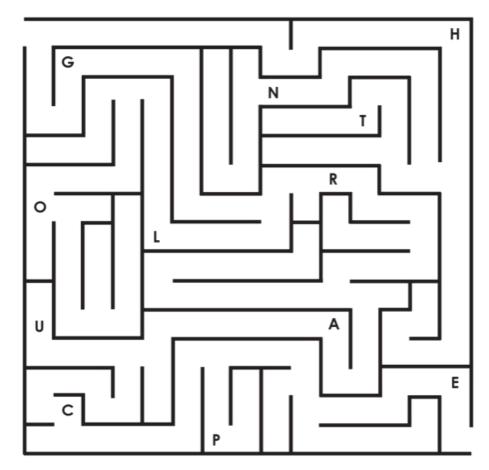


"Whoever	you	
	me, and whoever	me
	the one who sent me."	

Matthew 10:40

# God's Gift

Today's reading from the book of Romans talks about God's forgiveness and kindness and love. Paul uses a special word for this. Follow the path through the maze and pick up letters to spell out this word.





One of the readings for today comes from the book of Romans. Romans is a letter from Paul to the people living in Rome. Look up Romans 1:1-7 to read the start of this letter.

## PRAYERS & CARES

**Our Prayer List:** Contact Peri Beal with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Tina Bauman

Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)

Mary Skinvik

**Bev Lowe** 

Harper DeBauche

Helen Knuteson

Rudy Nielsen

Lucy Wisner

Stuart Svoboda

Dave Wisner

Marv McCoy

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, the leadership of Burke Lutheran Church has voted to suspend all worship services and gatherings until further notice. If you need to talk to Pastor Rob, please call his cell phone or email him directly. May God's love and peace surround you and comfort you in these anxious days ahead.

Alternate Fill the Altar: Rather than our usual food donation, please make direct donations to The River or Sunshine Place food pantries. Please give generously, many people who count on school lunch programs or face lay offs are going to need a lot of help in the weeks ahead.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net.

**August Light of Life:** Articles are due Wednesday, July 15. Send items via email to burkelutheran@att.net.

**Hospitalized?:** Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church, so we are notified.

**Budget News:** Despite the quarantine, several members have made special contributions. Please do whatever you can to help Burke pay its \$150,000 annual budget. Contributions through 5/31 for the last 3 years:

2020 \$43,598 2019 \$50,034

2018 \$49,800

#### SANCTUARY UPDATE



It's on the move!

With a building that is 121 years old we have encountered a few unexpected problems that have increased our costs. Funds are needed now for us to continue this project.

Burke Lutheran is a small congregation and this is a big undertaking. We have always been a fiscally responsible group but we are overwhelmed with these additional costs. We will be forever grateful to those who help us save this historic church.

## GoFundMe Link:

https://tinyurl.com/y7a7w2el