#### HOLY COMMUNION Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2019

8:00 am

### **INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

This Sunday's texts paint startling pictures of the horrific—the demonic—nature of sin. The church's repeated celebration of the holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus "until he comes." It is a dramatic declaration of "how much God has done for you."

#### SILENT PRAYER

**PRELUDE:** 

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)**

#### Stand

#### HOLY BAPTISM

#### PRESENTATION

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

## *Sponsors for the candidate present the candidate:* I present Aurora Dawn Zvarick for baptism.

## The presiding minister addresses parents or others who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves:

■ Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

Response:

🕅 I do.

The presiding minister continues:

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with her among God's faithful people, bring her to the word of God and the holy supper, teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in her hands the holy scriptures, and nurture her in faith and prayer, so that your child may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?

Response:

I do.

The presiding minister addresses sponsors:

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture this person in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

## Response:

🕅 I do.

## The presiding minister addresses the assembly:

- People of God, do you promise to support Aurora Dawn and pray for her in her new life in Christ?
- **G** We do.

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

## The presiding minister addresses the candidate for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children.

- I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.
- Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? *Response:*
- I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? *Response:* 

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? *Response:* 

I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidate and the assembly.

- **P** Do you believe in God the Father?
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

 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.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

Water may be poured into the font before or during the thanksgiving. At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving:

**P** The Lord be with you.

## **G** And also with you.

- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- ▶ We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## BAPTISM

The presiding minister baptizes the candidate. The candidate is immersed into the water, or water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says:

▶ Aurora Dawn, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a second time:

and of the Son,

The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a third time:

and of the Holy Spirit.

**G** Amen.





**P** Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the head of the newly baptized, the minister prays for her:

Sustain Aurora Dawn with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

- **G** Amen.
- The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:
- Aurora Dawn, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- **C** Amen.

## WELCOME

A lighted candle may be given to the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:

▲ Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. A representative of the congregation leads the assembly in the welcome.

- **A** Let us welcome the newly baptized.
- **G** We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:

join us in giving thanks and praise to God

and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. Those who have gathered at the font may return to their places.

#### The service continues with the GREETING.

### 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.

### CANTICLE OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS)

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

 Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray.

O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **C** Amen.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

## READING

Sit

Isaiah 65:1-9

The prophet announces God's impatience. The people's self-absorption is idolatry, and images from pagan worship fill this reading. Like a

vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel's exile to establish a new community of the faithful.

**A** reading from Isaiah. <sup>1</sup>I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. <sup>2</sup>I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; <sup>3</sup>a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; <sup>4</sup>who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh. with broth of abominable things in their vessels; <sup>5</sup>who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. <sup>6</sup>See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps <sup>7</sup>their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. <sup>8</sup>Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all.

<sup>9</sup>I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

**A** The word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

#### Stand

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

## Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Luke 8:26-29

Jesus' mission includes foreigners, and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony of God's mercy and power.

**P** The holy gospel according to Luke.

## **G** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>26</sup>Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time, he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—<sup>29</sup>for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup>Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup>They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told

it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

**P** The gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to you, O Christ.

### *Sit* SERMON

Pastor Weleck

## Stand

The Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed may be spoken. The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- ▲ Lord Jesus Christ, you healed the demoniac and sent him home to declare to family and friends what God had done. We pray that in our lives, your saving grace and truth will daily be evident, and that our words and deeds give glory to God. Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- A We pray for the church, for its pastors and bishops, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace. Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.

- ▲ We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples. Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- ▲ We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- ▶ Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- **C** Amen.

## PEACE

- $\mathbf{P}$  The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say **Peace be with you** or similar words.

#### LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

#### *Sit* OFFERING

#### Stand

## OFFERTORY



#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

- A Let us pray...Merciful Father,
- **G** we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given

us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:

- $\mathbf{P}$  The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **G** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

■ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... *Here the minister continues* with the preface for the day, concluding: ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The assembly continues with the SANCTUS:

 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.

# The minister continues with the WORDS OF INSTITUTION, usually included in a Eucharistic Prayer.

 We praise you, Lord of heaven and earth, that you showed your creatures mercy, and that you have sent your only Son in our flesh.
 We thank you for the salvation you have prepared for us through the holy and all-sufficient sacrifice of his body and blood on the tree of the cross.
 Gathered in his name and for his remembrance, we pray: Lord, send down upon us the Holy Spirit, sanctify and renew us in body and soul, and grant that under this bread and wine we receive in true faith the very Body and Blood of your Son to our salvation, since even now we make use of Christ's own testament according to his command.

 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.

- **P** Great is the mystery of faith:
- **G** We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

P Therefore we remember, Lord, heavenly Father, the saving passion and death of your dear Son Jesus Christ. We praise his victorious resurrection from the dead and are comforted by his ascension into your heavenly sanctuary where he, our High Priest, continually intercedes for us. And as all of us are one body in Christ through the fellowship of his Body and Blood, so gather your faithful people from the ends of the earth, that together with all the faithful we may celebrate in his kingdom the marriage feast of the Lamb. Through him be praise and honor, glory and adoration, almighty God, in the Holy Spirit, now and forever, and to the ages of ages.

#### **C** Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- ▶ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.
- G 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.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

## LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)

- **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.

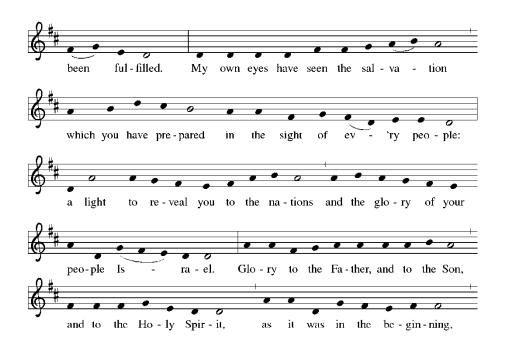
#### COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. and each person may respond

Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are "truly and substantially" present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. Communion will be distributed by Intinction. Receive the Body of Christ in the palm of your hand from the Pastor and then dip the host into the chalice containing the Blood of Christ held by the Communion Assistant. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing.

## **Stand** SONG AFTER COMMUNION (NUNC DIMITTIS)





#### **BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- **C** Amen.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

 Let us pray.
 We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen.

#### SENDING

#### **BLESSING (BENEDICTION)**

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.

#### DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

HYMN: On Our Way Rejoicing

# 260

#### **POSTLUDE:**

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**The Time of the Church** is the season after Pentecost, beginning with The Holy Trinity and ending with Christ the King. These weeks focus on Christ's ministry and teaching.

**On Sundays for which the color is green,** it is appropriate to omit either the Kyrie or the Hymn of Praise, reserving both together for festival seasons.

**The liturgical color green,** symbolic of growth, is used for the season after Epiphany and after Pentecost.

**The Eucharistic Prayer** (which includes the Words of Institution) that we use in the Summer is an English translation of the Eucharistic Prayer currently used by Lutherans in Germany.

**The green chasuble worn in the Old Church** has an unusual shape. It is called a "fiddle back" chasuble because it has the same shape as a violin. This is the shape of chasubles in the 1700s, so it is historically accurate for the period of the founding of the Old Church. And with so much material removed from the sides, it is much cooler to wear in hot temperatures.