HOLY COMMUNION Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021

8:00 am and 9:30 am

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between": between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: Fantasia on America

Broughton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory Printed on the next page.*

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory



CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- **P** Almighty God,

to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
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.
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. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

Stand

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.
 God of glory and love, peace comes from you alone. Send us as peacemakers and witnesses to your kingdom, and fill our hearts with joy in your promises of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 2:1-5

In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak God's word to a people unwilling to hear.

A reading from Ezekiel.

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Later service only:

PSALM 123 (The congregation's verses are in bold face type.)

¹To you I lift | up my eyes,

to you enthroned | in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand | of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand | of her mistress,

- 3 so our eyes look to the | LORD our God,
 - until he show | us his mercy.

⁴Have mercy upon us, O | LORD, have mercy,

for we have had more than enough | of contempt,

⁵too much of the scorn of the in- | dolent rich, and of the derision | of the proud.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.

A reading from Second Corinthians.

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** The congregation sings the Acclamation, Verse, and repeats the Alleluia. Al-le-lu - ia. al - le-lu - ia. al le lu - ia. O You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu ia. al le lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.

P The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

- **P** The gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit SERMON *Stand Later service only:*

Pastor Weleck

HYMN OF THE DAY: *O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True Printed on the next page.*



O Christ, Our Light, O Radiance True

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The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times. **APOSTLES CREED**

- **P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

- With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.
- We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace.
 Lord in your mercy.

Lord, in your mercy,

- **C** 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,

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C 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,

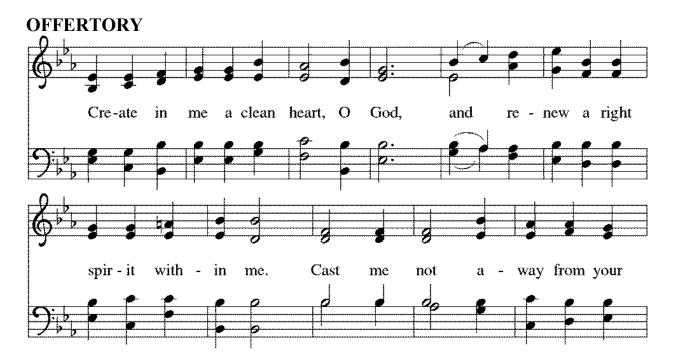
C hear our prayer.

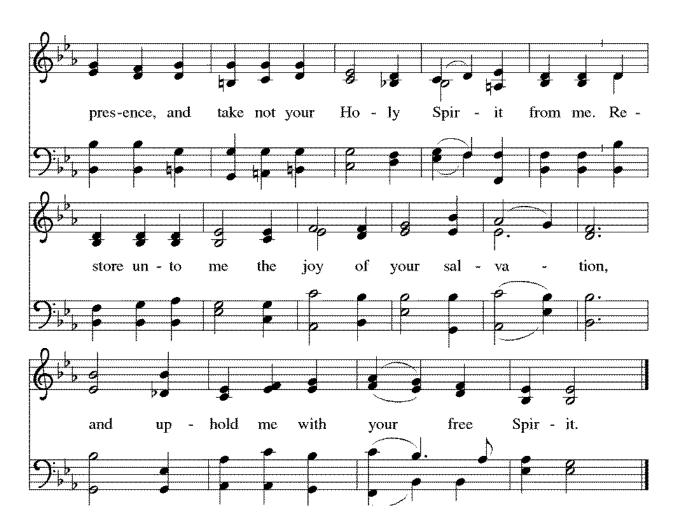
- A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,
- **G** hear our prayer.
- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

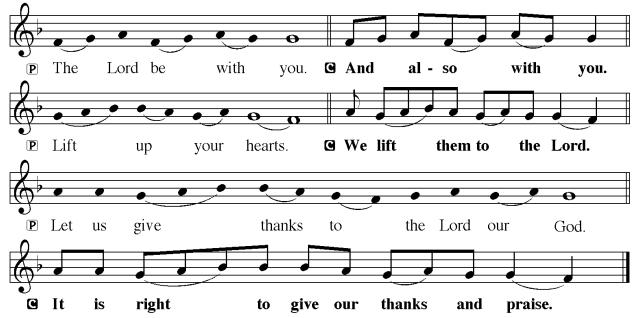
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GREAT THANKSGIVING

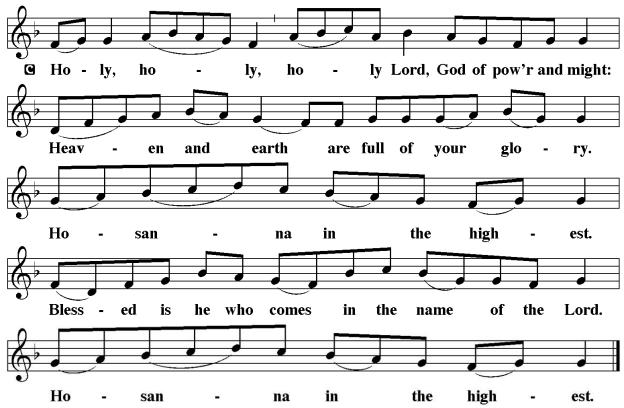
The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks:



The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

P 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 sings the SANCTUS:



The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.
- 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.

Sit

COMMUNION

When giving the bread, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given 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. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing. At the direction of the ushers, approach the communion station, receive the host in your palm, move to the side and place the host in your mouth, and return to your seat.

Music during Communion: LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI) Lamb of God, C take a - way the you of the world; sin have mer cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the of the world; sin have mer cy on us. -Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace. A men

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION: Panis Angelicus Alan Shunk, Baritone

Text and translation: Panis Angelicus fit panis hominum Dat panis coelicus figuris terminum O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum Pauper, pauper, servus et humilis. The angel's bread becomes the bread of men The heavenly bread ends all symbols Oh, miraculous thing! The body of the Lord will nourish The poor, poor, and humble servant.

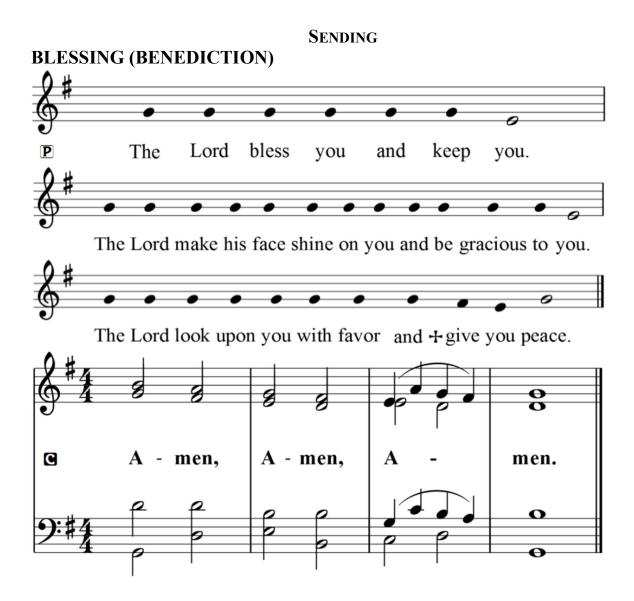
Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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



DISMISSAL

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

HYMN: *My* Country 'Tis of Thee Printed on the next page.



OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE: God of Our Fathers

Hughes

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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.

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We're so glad to see you today! Good News!

As of June 2, 2021, the Vestry approved the following changes as we begin to return to a more normal routine:

- Masks and social distancing are not required for those who are fully vaccinated,
- Singing may take place without any restriction,
- Cantors, quartets, and choirs may be employed without any restrictions,
- Hymnals and worship aids may be used without any restrictions,
- As of July 1, 2021, authorized groups may again use the campus.

Additional changes may follow as we approach September.

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Vestry Greeters: Gary Wessner, Lois Robinson, and Frank DePaul Ushers: Dick Allebach, Scott Halteman, and Mike Taylor Lectors: 8:00 am: Laurie Mueller 10:30 am: Sonya Sowards Altar Guild: Deb Scholl

Offering Tabulation: Gary Wessner, Lois Robinson, and Frank DePaul Video Production: Jim Lien, Jeannie Funk, or Jonathan Mueller.

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar in the Brick Church Nave</u> are given to the glory of God by Mr. and Mrs. John Schatz, Jr. and family in memory of parents, Warren and Jacqueline Dieffenbach, sister, Linda M. Killen, and nephew, Robert J. Paoletti, Jr.

<u>The Flowers that Adorn the Altar in the Old Church Nave</u> are given to the glory of God by Sally Sweeney in memory of her mother, Virginia L. Weicheld, and Debra Augustine in loving memory of her son, Samuel Carlos Augustine.

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is given to the glory of God by Mike Taylor in memory of late wife, Helen Taylor.

<u>The Worship Bulletins</u> are given to the glory of God by Mr. Marty Burke in loving memory of his Mother, Roberta Lyon.

CUB SCOUT/BOY SCOUT CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE (COR)

The Vestry of Augustus Lutheran is looking for someone over the age of 18 to be a liaison between the Scouts and the Church. Augustus Lutheran is the sponsor for Troop/Pack 87. The responsibilities are as follows:

- 1. Sign forms when needed. This pertains to any leader applications, Pack & Troop Charters, etc.
- 2. Communicate with Pastor and/or the Vestry when there are questions or issues.
- 3. Attend committee and district meetings a couple of times throughout the year.
- 4. Work with Vestry / Pack / Troop regarding clearances and keys.

If you are interested, please contact Gary Wessner, <u>gtwess@comcast.net</u>. The COR must be a member of the Sponsors organization (Augustus Lutheran Church). Being a past member of the Scouts is not a prerequisite for this position.

<u>Green Thumb Volunteers Needed:</u> We are very proud of the Augustus campus and would like anyone who visits it to be left with a feeling that the congregants really care how it looks. As a result, the Property Committee is looking for a few individuals to maintain/weed various areas around the campus such as the Mother's Day Garden, the Bubeck memorial and the gardens around the Old Church throughout the summer months. If you have any interest please contact Pat O'Hara (<u>qadirector5@aol.com</u>) or Gary Wessner (<u>gtwess@comcast.net</u>). Any help would be greatly appreciated.

<u>Craft & Flea Market Chairperson Needed:</u> Two years ago, Augustus Women of the ELCA (WELCA) held a Fall Craft and Flea Market in support of mission work in Tanzania. This event did very well netting over \$1500, all of which was donated in support of our global Christian community. This year in 2021 Augustus WELCA would like to resume the event this upcoming autumn in support of the Irente Children's Home and the Sebastian Kolowa Memorial University (SEKOMU). Both of these missions are located in Tanzania. However, the Fall Craft and Flea Market needs a chairperson or co-chairperson for this activity to continue. The event comes with a team of support to facilitate your success. If you have a desire to help us out and support the children and youth of Tanzania or have a passion to be part of global Christian missions, please reach out to Dale O'Hara at 610-489-0417 for more information. Your efforts will be most appreciated and will not go unnoticed.

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry will be collecting school supplies and

backpacks for the children of our clients. Our biggest needs this year include:

- small backpacks with cartoon characters, Disney or similar
- medium and especially large backpacks
- 24 count packs of crayons
- Fiskar children's scissors
- boxes of 24 colored pencils
- plastic pencil boxes
- pencil cases with 3 holes for binders
- composition books
- red pens
- packs of 3x5 index cards

- packs of dividers for binders
- 1" three-ring binders
- folders with prongs
- loose leaf filler paper
- black dry erase markers
- packs of dry erase markers containing 4 different colors
- highlighters of any color
- mechanical pencils
- Sharpie markers
- small pencil sharpeners
- packs of Post-It notes
- flash drives.

We will be distributing backpacks and school supplies at the food pantry throughout the month of August and will gladly accept donations through mid-August. All donations can be delivered to the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry. There is someone there to receive donations Monday through Friday from 9 A.M. until Noon. Since we distribute food to clients on Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11 A.M. you might want to avoid those times. You can also drop off school supplies at any time in the beige bin near the garage doors on the side of the food pantry. This bin is checked each morning by our volunteers. Thank you so very much for your dedicated and generous support of this project! We sincerely appreciate it!