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**WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN!** Thank you for joining us as we worship our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! We are happy you are here! As a kindness to one another, *please place your cell phones on mute* for the time we are together in worship. If you are a visitor, let us know you are here!

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Please use a prayer request card if you have a specific prayer request this morning. It is our joy and our privilege to share in these petitions to Almighty God. If you have them ready before the service, hand them to Pastor when you have them completed, otherwise give them to the ushers at the time the offering is collected.

**THE MEANING OF THE TWO PICTURES IN THE BULLETIN:** The two pictures at the top of the bulletin are the church's logo and the LCMC logo. The church's logo is the descent of the Holy Spirit into 'Our Savior' at the time of His Baptism.

**JESUS LOVES YOU MINISTRIES:** This Tuesday is our 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Sandwich Day.

**HYMN SERVICE:** It has been 5 months since our last Hymn Service, We will have our next special service on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, before Pot Luck Luncheon. On the last page, you will find a form to list three hymn suggestions for the service.

**HEALING SERVICE:** We will have our next Healing service on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. When we have the laying on of hands, prepare what you would like to pray for at that time. It could be for healing for yourselves or a special prayer for someone else whom you would like to ask the Holy Spirit for a special blessing for that person or situation.

**We Serve Today:**

Reader: Pr. Steve

Offering: David Colburn Jeff Cisco

Communion: Pr. Steve, Fran Thibideau

Greeter: Jeff Cisco, Cheri Usowicz

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD PAGE 126 - PENTECOST**

**GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME:** *Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements*

**CONFESSIONAL PRAYER** - *congregational responses in BOLD*

Pastor: Lord, we approach your altar with with love for You and our concern for the price you paid for us on the cross. We realize the difficulties that we face, and we confess the poor job we have done with our response to your sacrifice. For that, dear Lord, we make our confession to you this day.

*1 John 1:8-9*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by the things 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**

**ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: As a result of the love of God, the work of Jesus on His cross, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and by the authority of Jesus Christ, forgive you all your sins in the name of the, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus we pray. **Alleluia and Amen.**

- 1. ENTRANCE HYMN:** G561 For the Beauty of the Earth
- 2. THE DIALOGUE PAGE 126 BOTTOM**
- 3. OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH PAGE 128**
- 4 THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):** P. Let us pray:

**Almighty and everlasting God, always more ready to hear than we to pray and always ready to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down on us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us the things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us the good things we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord, Alleluia.**

**May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know the hope to which God has called us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Alleluia and Amen.**

**5. THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON; AND THE EPISTLE LESSON,  
PROVERBS 25:2-10**

**2** It is the glory of God to conceal things,  
but the glory of kings is to search things out.

**3 As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth,  
so the heart of kings is unsearchable.**

**4** Take away the dross from the silver,  
and the smith has material for a vessel;

**5 take away the wicked from the presence of the king,  
and his throne will be established in righteousness.**

**6** Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence  
or stand in the place of the great,

**7 for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"  
than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.**

**What your eyes have seen**

**8** do not hastily bring into court,  
for what will you do in the end,  
when your neighbor puts you to shame?

**9 Argue your case with your neighbor himself,  
and do not reveal another's secret,**

**10** lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,  
and your ill repute have no end.

**HEBREWS 13:1-17**

**13** Let brotherly love continue. **2** Do not neglect to show hospitality to

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strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. **3** Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. **4** Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. **5** Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." **6** So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper;  
I will not fear;  
what can man do to me?"

**7** Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. **8** Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. **9** Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. **10** We have an altar from which those who serve the tent[a] have no right to eat. **11** For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. **12** So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. **13** Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured.

**14 For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. 15 Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. 16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.**

**17** Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

**6. THE GOSPEL LESSON, LUKE 14:1-14, PLEASE RISE**

**14** One Sabbath, when he went to dine at the house of a ruler of the

Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. **2** And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. **3** And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" **4** But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. **5** And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son[a] or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" **6** And they could not reply to these things.

### The Parable of the Wedding Feast

**7** Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, **8** "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, **9** and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. **10** But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. **11** For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

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### **11. SILENCE FOR MEDITATION**

**12. 'What do the Two Parables Mean?' - Rev. Steve Dygert, A.Mus.D. + STS**

Grace, mercy, and peace to you from God our Father, and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Ephesians 1:2*

**C: Amen**

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13. **SERMON HYMN:** In the Garden, *Insert*

**14. OFFERING**

**Rite of Friendship:**

P. The Peace of the Lord Be With You Always.

**C. And Also With You.**

P. We now have the opportunity to share back with the Lord a little of the bounty  
He has shared with us.

*As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.*

*Doxology, written in England for Protestant Churches in 1674.*

G D Em Bm Em D G  
Praise God, from Whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
4 G D Em C G D Em  
Him all crea - tures here be - low; praise  
7 D/F# G D G/B C D7/A G D/F#  
Him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise  
10 G A7/E D Am G/D D7 G  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

**MUSICAL INTERLUDE:**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Merciful Father,

**C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us-our  
selves, 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**

15. **THE PRAYERS:** PAGE 129 Let us Pray:

*(Prayer Response) Lord in your Mercy: Hear our prayer.*

**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.**

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**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and forever. Amen**

**PREPARATION OF THE TABLE:**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION:** *Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:23-25*

On the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ, took bread, and after giving thanks, He broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said; "Take and eat; this is My body, given for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same manner, after supper He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to the them saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of of Me."

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. *1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:26*

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:**

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE DISTRIBUTION, THE COMMUNION BLESSING**

16. **SENDING HYMN:** G467 Eternal Father Strong to Save

17. **THE AARONIC BENEDICTION**

18. **THE DISMISSAL**

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

19. **LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH**

**Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me  
Let there be peace on earth  
The peace that was meant to be  
With God as our father  
Brothers all are we  
Let me walk with my brother  
In perfect harmony**

**Let peace begin with me  
Let this be the moment now  
With every step I take  
Let this be my solemn vow  
To take each moment  
And live each moment  
In peace eternally  
Let there be peace on earth  
And let it begin with me**

**C. Thanks be to God**

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WALKING WITH GOD

# 635 In the Garden

*The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. John 20:20*

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the dew is  
2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the  
3. I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Tho' the night a -

still on the ros - es; And the voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear,  
birds hush their sing - ing; And the mel - o - dy that He gave to me  
round me be fall - ing; But He bids me go, thro' the voice of woe;

*Refrain*  
The Son of God dis - clos - es.  
With - in my heart is ring - ing. And He walks with me, and He  
His voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, And He tells me I am His own; And the joy we

share as we tar - ry there None oth - er has ev - er known.

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GARDEN  
Irregular meter