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+ THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY +

Prayer and Preaching

June 6, 2021

As We Gather ~ Faith Trusts in Christ for Life Eternal

When the beggar Lazarus died, he was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. For he was truly Abraham's seed. Like Abraham, he believed in the Lord, and the Lord "counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6). The name Lazarus means "God is my help." The unnamed rich man, on the other hand, did not love and trust in God. For he evidently cared little for the beggar at his gate. And "he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20). He who loved and trusted in possessions and prestige died and was in torments in Hades (Luke 16:19–31). Repentance and faith are worked only through Moses and the prophets—that is, the Word of God, for it points us to Christ. Only through His death and resurrection are we brought the comfort of life everlasting.

Opening Hymn 'Where Charity and Love Prevail'

LSB 845



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail There
2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear His
3 For - give we now each oth - er's faults As
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; Let



God is ev - er found; Brought here to - geth - er
char - i - ty we learn; Let us with heart and
we our faults con - fess; And let us love each
all con - ten - tion cease; Be God's the glo - ry



by Christ's love By love are we thus bound.
mind and soul Now love Him in re - turn.
oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
that we seek; Be ours His ho - ly peace.

- 5 Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells Christ, His only Son;
As members of His body joined
We are in Him made one.
- 6 For love excludes no race or clan
That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all
Whose Father is the same.

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Opening Versicles: Common

LSB 260

- L This is the day which the Lord has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
C Teach me Your paths.
- L Sanctify us in Your truth.
C Your Word is truth.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

Refrain

■ The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -
claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done
glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the

earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -

hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the

Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will

be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Reading

Genesis 15:1–6

1After these words, YHWH's word was to Abram in the vision to say, "Fear not Abram. I shield much strength to you your wages." 2And Abram said, "Lord YHWH, you give what to me? I go childless and my house inheritance son is Eliezer of Damascus." 3And Abram said, "Look to me. You have not given to me a seed, and look to me an heir, a son of the house." 4And look, YHWH's word was to him to say, "This is not your heir. For only whom goes out from your inner being, he is your heir." 5And He took him outside, and He said, "Look, please, to the heavens and report the stars; if you comprehend to report them." And He said to him, "Here will be your seed." 6And he believed in YHWH and He accounted righteousness to him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Introit

Psalm 13:1–4; antiphon: vv. 5–6



[O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love;*
my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

I will sing | to the LORD,*

because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

How long, O LORD? Will you forget me for- | ever?*

How long will you hide your | face from me?

How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart | all
the day?*

How long shall my enemy be exalted | over me?

Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;*

light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"*

lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

[O Lord,] I have trusted in your | steadfast love;*

my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

I will sing | to the LORD,*

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Reading

1 John 4:16–21

16So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. 17By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world.

18There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. 19We love because he first loved us. 20If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. 21And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading

Luke 16:19–31

19[Jesus said:] “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. 22The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, 23and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. 24And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ 25But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. 26And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ 27And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— 28for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ 29But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ 30And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ 31He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory: Common

LSB 263

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

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;
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.

Sermon

'Loving Fearlessly'

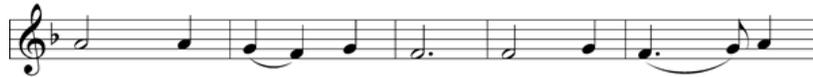
1 John 4:16-21

Hymn 'Love Divine, All Loves Excelling'

LSB 700



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Tune and text: Public

Offering

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

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C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

L O God, the strength of all who trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing, grant us Your grace to keep Your commandments that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect for the Word

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Refrain

C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Benedicamus

LSB 267

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 267

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn 'To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray'

LSB 768



1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
2 O sweet - est Love, Your grace on us be - stow;
3 Tran - scen - dent Com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,
4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;



For the true faith need - ed on our way
Set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow
Help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed
Teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - right



That He may de - fend us when life is end - ing And from
That with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er, Ev - 'ry
That we may not fal - ter nor cour - age fail us When the
That we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us, Till to



ex - ile home we are wend - ing. Lord, have mer - cy!
strang - er, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!
foe shall taunt and as - sail us. Lord, have mer - cy!
our true home He has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

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Service of Prayer and Preaching from Lutheran Service Book

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Immanuel Spirit

Scripture Lessons for next Sunday: Proverbs 9:1–10, 1 John 3:13–18 and Luke 14:15–24.

Stewardship: Luke 16:19 – “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.” Compared with most of human history, and even most of the world today, we have been abundantly blessed with riches in our time and place. The parable today indicates that God calls us to use this blessing according to His wisdom and priorities and not merely for our own comfort. We’ve been called to imitate God in His kindness and generosity, especially to those in need.

VBS is July 19-21 from 9:00am-11:00am. If anyone is thinking of coming, the Board of Education needs RSVPs so they have enough supplies, etc. Registration forms are on the entryway table.

Building Healthy Families for June 6th: It’s wedding season! You may be attending a wedding or celebrating your own anniversary soon. Consider taking time this week to look through your old wedding photos. Revisit the fun, emotion, fears, laughs, and tears of the day with your spouse. Have a conversation about all you’ve learned about life, family, and faith since that day. Who are you now compared to who you were then? What has changed? How has God made His presence known as the third person in your marriage described in Ecclesiastes 4:12? ~ **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. www.LutheranFamilyService.org**

Life Quote for June 6th: “The boundaries He establishes serve not to forbid any of sexuality’s blessings but to gather its goodness into a single setting so that nothing deprives the marriage bed of its rightful delight.” Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director of Mission and Ministry, Lutherans For Life ~ **A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org**

Lutheran Hour Ministries for June 13th: Hear “Clearly Christian: Good” by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Many think they know what Christianity is all about, but Dr. Michael Zeigler asks, what if what they think it is, it isn’t? ~ **Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.**

June newsletters, calendars and new portals of prayers books are in your boxes and on the entryway table.

ESSENTIAL EXERCISE FOR THE CHRISTIAN MIND... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's subjects include: What I Wish My Non-Lutheran Family Knew about the Holy Spirit, The Word "Wrath" in the Bible, Is Christianity Relevant?, What Martin Luther Got Wrong, The Movie "A Quiet Place Part II" and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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Cleaning: Household(s) responsible for the week of 6/6—6/12 is **Cadwell**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 6/13—6/19 is **Christinson**. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact the church office at immanuelutheran@iowatelecom.net no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

Please keep the family of Marvin and Ruth Honold in your prayers at the death of Marvin's sister Karen this past week.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

Lillian Madren...Today
Cayli Christinson...Tuesday
Julie Roberts...Wednesday
Helen Thorpe...Friday
Ruth Honold...Saturday

Celebrating Birthdays This Week

Nina Kadera...Thursday

Celebrating Anniversaries This Week

Ken & Laurie Harms...Today

We pray God's blessings upon you in the coming year.



There have been several scam attempts, both texting and phone calls, mimicking Pastor and/or Immanuel Lutheran Church. We have had reports of people using my name to request gift cards, addresses, phone numbers and other personal information. If the number doesn't look familiar, please do not respond. It is always good to double-check. Instead of calling/texting the number back, call the church or Pastor at home/cell phone. Please talk to me and don't leave any personal information over a message. Thank you. Pastor Koepf

Sunday of Special Offering

Lutheran Family Service is inviting our congregation to participate in the Say YES! appeal to raise \$50,000 to re-supply the Say YES! Counseling Assistance Fund before the end of their fiscal year on June 30. All gifts given to this cause make it possible for anyone in need of counseling who doesn't have the financial resources to cover the cost of their care won't be turned away. They're asking us to "Say YES!" so that they can always "Say YES!" to anyone in need during the coming year.

Please give generously online at
www.LutheranFamilyService.org/donations

or by texting the word GIVE to (515) 212-7585

On behalf of all who will receive help through

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

May 30, 2021

Attendance	31
Communion	24
General Fund	\$3795.00
Missions	\$25.00

WEEK AHEAD

Today	8:00am	Elders Meeting
	9:00am	1st Sunday after Trinity
		Missions: Lutheran Hour Ministries
		Acolyte/Crucifier: Elizabeth/Joey
	10:30am	Picnic
Tues.	10:00am	Greek Study, Pastor in Newton
	2:45pm	Board of Evangelism & Missions
Wed.	12:00pm	Grinnell Ministerial Association
Thurs.	11:00am	Bible Study
Next Sun.	8:00am	Council Meeting
	9:00am	2nd Sunday after Trinity
		Acolyte/Crucifier: Lauren/Cole
	10:30am	Bible Study