

OUR WORSHIP TODAY, July 22nd, 2019 Ninth Sunday after Pentecost GATHERING AND MEDITATION TIME

Pre-Service Music, Welcome, and Announcements

CONFESSIONAL PRAYER

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.

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. Go and sin no more. In the name of Jesus we pray. **Alleluia and Amen**.

ENTRANCE HYMN: 597 God of Our Fathers

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison):

Lord, you are our Shepherd, we shall not want for anything. You bless us each and every day of our lives. 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. Alleluia and Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6 (ESV)

The Righteous Branch

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD.

Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD.

Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

PSALM: Psalm 23 (KJV)

(Recited whole verse by whole verse – Congregation in **Bold**)

A Psalm of David. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 2:11-22 (ESV)

One in Christ

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Please rise for the Alleluia. (Page 62, LBW)

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-44 (ESV)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th Chapter.

Glory to you Oh Lord.

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught.

And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they

had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves.

Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them.

When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things. And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late. Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish."

Then he commanded them all to sit down in groups on the green grass.

So they sat down in groups, by hundreds and by fifties.

And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the people. And he divided the two fish among them all.

And they all ate and were satisfied.

And they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. And those who ate the loaves were five thousand men. This is the Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you oh Christ!

SERMON "Do Miracles Really Happen Today?" Pastor Steve Dygert

SERMON HYMN: 370 The King of Love My Shepherd Is, vs. 1,3,6

OUR CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed © I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; [God of God], Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. "Who, for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

"And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father [and the Son]; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen."

THE OFFERING: Offertory – *Here I Am, Lord*, Dean Carson *As the offering is brought forward, we will sing the Doxology.*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him, all creatures here below, Praise him above, Ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: PRAYERS OF PRAISE:

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

HE LORD'S PRAYER, PREPARATION OF THE TABLE, WORDS OF INSTITUTION, THE DISTRIBUTION

THE COMMUNION BLESSING:

SENDING HYMN: 599 My Country 'Tis of Thee

THE AARONIC BENEDICTION

Congregational Song, Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth

now

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 earth

In perfect harmony

Let this be the moment

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

And let it begin with me.

THE DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God

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WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN! Thank you for joining us as we worship of 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 muted 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.

JESUS LOVES ME MINISTRIES: We have a 5th Tuesday in July so it is sandwich time again in two weeks on Tuesday, July 31st.

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Will be celebrated on July 29th. We will have our cake and eat it too on Sunday July 29th. We will have Bible Study following our party.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Recreation will perform here again on Saturday, January 26, 2019.

We Serve Today, July 22nd:

Reader: Jeanne Keyser Offering: Dean Carson,

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Communion: Janette Barker, Geri McGary, Noreen Borchard Greeter: Jeanne Keyser

We Serve Next Sunday, July 29th:

Reader: Dean Carson Offering: Dean Carson,

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Lead Pastor: Rev. Dr. Steve Dygert

Sunday

Asst. Pastor: Rev Tony Alonzo

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Worship Time: Sunday 10 A.M Bible Study 2: Wednesdays 10 A.M.