

## Saturday, June 25, 2022 and Sunday, June 26, 2022

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### Confession and Forgiveness

P: We gather in the name of our baptism, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**A: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**A: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

**A: 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.**

P: 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.

**A: Amen.**

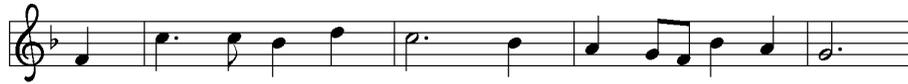
### Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**A: And also with you.**

## Gathering Hymn: ELW 651: "Oh, Praise the Gracious Power"

### Oh, Praise the Gracious Power



- 1 Oh, praise the gra - cious pow'r that tum - bles walls of fear  
2 Oh, praise per - sis - tent truth that o - pens fist - ed minds  
3 Oh, praise in - clu - sive love, en - cir - cling ev - 'ry race,  
4 Oh, praise the word of faith that claims us as God's own,  
5 Oh, praise the tide of grace that laps at ev - 'ry shore



and gath - ers in one house of faith all strang - ers far and near:  
and eas - es from their anx - ious clutch the prej - u - dice that blinds:  
ob - liv - i - ous to gen - der, wealth, to so - cial rank or place:  
a liv - ing tem - ple built on Christ, our rock and cor - ner - stone:  
with vi - sions of a world at peace, no lon - ger bled by war:



*Refrain*  
We praise you, Christ! Your cross has made us one!

- 6 Oh, praise the pow'r, the truth,  
the love, the word, the tide.  
Yet more than these, oh, praise their source,  
praise Christ the crucified: *Refrain*
- 7 Oh, praise the living Christ  
with faith's bright joyful voice!  
Announce the gospel to the world  
and with these words rejoice: *Refrain*

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## Kyrie

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**A: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**A: Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Day**

P: Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **First Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21**

Then the Lord said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

P: The word of the Lord,

**A: Thanks be to God!**

## **Psalm 16**

P: Protect me, O God, for take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

**A: All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.**

P: But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

**A: I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.**

P: O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

**A: My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

P: I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

**A: I have set the Lord always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

P: My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

**A: For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**

P: You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## **Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

P: The word of the Lord,

**A: Thanks be to God!**

## **Gospel Acclamation: ELW: 508: "As Rain from the Clouds" verse 1**

As rain from the clouds will your word come to earth,  
as snow from the heavens refreshing the land.  
Then soften our soil that the good seed may grow  
and ripen rich fruit to return to your hand.  
We praise you, our God, for the dew of your word;  
we thank you, good gard'ner, for your tender toil.  
We bless you, best farmer, for hundredfold yield,  
for harvest of grace in our once-barren soil.

P: The Gospel according to Luke.

**A: Glory to you, O Lord!**

## **Gospel: Luke 9:51-62**

When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

A: Praise to you, O Christ!

## Sermon

### Hymn of the Day: ELW 470: "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"

#### Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether



1 Draw us in the Spir - it's teth - er, for when hum - bly  
 2 As dis - ci - ples used to gath - er in the name of  
 3 All our meals and all our liv - ing make as sac - ra -



in your name two or three are met to - geth - er,  
 Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the giv - er  
 ments of you, that by car - ing, help - ing, giv - ing,



you are in the midst of them. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 break the bread and bless the cup, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 we may be dis - ci - ples true. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Touch we now your gar - ment's hem.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! so now bind our friend - ship up.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! We will serve with faith a - new.

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## **Prayers of Intercession**

P: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

P: God of faithfulness, set the face of your church firmly on you. Rooted in your self-giving love, may the church find freedom in loving our neighbors. God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of gentleness, strengthen the earth's ability to heal. Where there are dangerous storms, bring calm. Where there are destructive fires, bring rain. Protect homes, habitats, and livelihoods threatened by climate disasters. God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of peace, guide all who govern, that they place the good of their citizens above self-promotion. Anoint leaders of nations with your Spirit of neighborly love. Protect refugees and all who live under tyranny or conflict (especially). God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of kindness, reveal your healing presence to all who are sick or dying (especially). Uphold those who grieve. Support the needs of any who are unemployed, hungry, or have nowhere to lay their heads. God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of love, attend to those struggling with addiction, depression, or uncontrolled anger. Provide support systems and loving companions as they work toward health, that they may rest in hope and know the fullness of joy in your presence. God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of joy, we give thanks for all who have died and now celebrate the inheritance of life in you. Keep their examples of faithfulness always before us, that we trust your promises in life and in death. God of grace,

**A: hear our prayer.**

P: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

**A: Amen.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**A: And also with you.**

## **Announcements**

## **Offertory Prayer**

P: Giver of every good thing,

**A: we set before you the gifts that you have already given to sustain our lives and to share with others. Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it, and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast you prepare for all who hunger. Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

P: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”**

(ELW 413, Verse 2)

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

P: 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.

P: 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.

**A: 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.**

### **"Lamb of God"**

(ELW 336, Verse 3)

I was so lost, I should have died,  
but you have brought me to your side  
to be led by your staff and rod  
and to be called a lamb of God.

#### *Refrain*

O Lamb of God,  
sweet Lamb of God,  
I love the holy Lamb of God.  
Oh, wash me in your precious blood,  
my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

## **Invitation to Communion**

P: There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

## **Communion Distribution**

### **Communion Music:**

"Crazy People" by Casting Crowns

"Get Together" by The Youngbloods and as interpreted by Dan Gresh

## **Prayer After Communion**

P: We give you thanks, gracious God,

**A: that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

## **Blessing**

P: The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

P: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

P: The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

## **Sending Song: ELW 659: “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”**

### Will You Let Me Be Your Servant



1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as  
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers  
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time  
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll  
5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as



Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to  
on the road; we are here to help each oth - er  
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to



let you be my ser - vant, too.  
walk the mile and bear the load.  
speak the peace you long to hear.  
till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
let you be my ser - vant, too.

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## **Dismissal:**

P: With faith renewed, hope restored, and love revived, we go,

**A: to invite every generation on a shared journey to Christian growth.**