

The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 21 and 22, 2025



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WELCOME to those visiting us this Lord’s Day. It is our joy to have you worshipping with us. We invite you to come again and worship the Lord.

AS WE GATHER ~ The season of Pentecost has arrived! With the arrival of the Holy Spirit, this season of the Church Year is marked by growth. We see evidence of the growth the Spirit is seeking in this week’s Readings. The Lord and giver of life seeks to see His people grow faithful hearts through faithful worship, resulting in faithful service. When the way ahead isn’t as clear or as comfortable as we would like, we rely on the Lord’s wisdom, leading us back to His faithful servant, Jesus Christ, who clears the obstacles of our sinfulness and comforts us with His Word and sacramental gifts.

PRELUDE

GREETING AND RINGING OF THE BELLS

♪ OPENING HYMN ↓ *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* *LSB 528*

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name.**

**Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
’Tis music in the sinner’s ears, ’tis life and health and peace.**

**He breaks the pow’r of canceled sin; He sets the pris’ner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean; His blood avails for me.**

**Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race.
Look and be saved through faith alone, be justified by grace.**

**See all your sins on Jesus laid; the Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an off’ring made for ev’ry soul of man.**

**To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv’n
By saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heav’n.**

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION ~ Page 203 ↑

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. (Matthew 28:19)

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)

Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. (Psalm 130:3-4)

Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God be merciful to me, a sinner.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. (John 20:19-23)

INTROIT FOR THE DAY ↑

Pastor: Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. (Psalm 71:3)

Pastor: You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again;

People: from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.

Pastor: You will increase my greatness

People: and comfort me again.

Pastor: I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God;

People: I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

Pastor: My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you;

People: my soul also, which you have redeemed.

Pastor: And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long,

People: for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt. (Psalm 71:20-24)

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. (Psalm 71:3)

♪ KYRIE ~ Page 204 ↑

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy. (Mark 10:47)

♪ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Page 204 ↑

**To God on high be glory and peace to all the earth;
Good-will from God in heaven proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing --
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, the Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; receive our heart-felt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated at God's right hand on high --**

**For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.** (Luke 2:14; John 1:29)

COLLECT OF THE DAY ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you. (Ruth 2:4)

People: And also with you. (Luke 1:28)

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING ↓

Isaiah 65:1-9 (ESV)

¹I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;
I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, "Here am I, here am I,"
to a nation that was not called by my name.

²I spread out my hands all the day

to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;
³a people who provoke me
to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and making offerings on bricks;
⁴who sit in tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat pig's flesh,
and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;
⁵who say, "Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."
These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all the day.
⁶Behold, it is written before me:
"I will not keep silent, but I will repay;
I will indeed repay into their bosom
⁷both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together,
says the Lord;
because they made offerings on the mountains
and insulted me on the hills,
I will measure into their bosom
payment for their former deeds."
⁸Thus says the Lord:
"As the new wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, 'Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it,'
so I will do for my servants' sake,
and not destroy them all.
⁹I will bring forth offspring from Jacob,
and from Judah possessors of my mountains;
my chosen shall possess it,
and my servants shall dwell there."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING ↓**Galatians 3:23-4:7 (ESV)**

²³Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

♪ ALLELUIA and VERSE ~ Page 205 ↑

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, these things are written that you may believe
That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.** (John 20:31)

HOLY GOSPEL READING ↑**Luke 8:26-39 (ESV)**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." ²⁹For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.)

³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss.

³²Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

³⁴When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

♪ HYMN OF THE DAY ↓*Rise, Shine, You People***LSB 825**

**Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
Our human story; God in Him is centered.**

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.

See how He sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;

He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.

All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,

Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.

To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.

Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.

Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation His new creation.

SERMON ↓*Reverent Fear***NICENE CREED ~ Page 206 ↑**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all
things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His 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 us men and 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 at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH ↑

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)



We welcome the opportunity to explain what we believe, teach and confess regarding the Lord's Supper. In order not to impose those beliefs on you, we ask that if you are not a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, you would speak with a Pastor before receiving Holy Communion.

PREFACE ~ Page 208 ↑

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right and salutary.....evermore praising you and saying:

♪ SANCTUS ~ Page 208 ↑

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored:

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER ~ Page 209 ↑

(Matthew 6:9-13)

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.

WORDS OF OUR LORD ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI ~ Page 209 ↑

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

(John 20:19)

♪ AGNUS DEI ~ Page 210 ↑

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(John 1:29)

♪ DISTRIBUTION ↓

*Just as I Am, without One Plea**LSB 570*

Just as I am, without one plea but that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind; sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am; Thy love unknown has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

*“Away from Us!” the Demon Cried**LSB 541*

“Away from us!” the demon cried when Christ, the Lord, drew near.
“Our dark, disordered world is lost when You, the Light, appear!”

But Jesus spoke with God's own pow'r; “Come forth!” was His command;
For evil cannot bear the Light nor sin the Truth withstand.

O risen Christ, God's living Word, to us, we pray, draw near.
Come, speak the truth that cleanses sin with love that conquers fear.

Drive out the doubt that cripples faith; expel our pride and greed
That we, from pow'rs that threaten us, may, by Your grace, be freed.

Then help us, Lord, to greet each day with hearts and wills made new
And, when You call us forth to serve, to rise and follow You.

*Seek Where You May to Find a Way**LSB 557*

Seek where you may to find a way that leads to your salvation.
My heart is stilled, on Christ I build, He is the one foundation.
His Word is sure, His works endure; He overthrows all evil foes;
Through Him I more than conquer.

Seek whom you may to be your stay, none can redeem his brother.
All helpers failed; this man prevailed, the God-man and none other,
Our Servant-King of whom we sing. We're justified because He died,
The guilty being guiltless.

Seek Him alone who did atone, who did your souls deliver.
O seek Him first, all you who thirst for grace that fails you never.
In ev'ry need seek Him indeed; to ev'ry heart He will impart
His blessings without measure.

My heart's delight, my crown most bright, O Christ, my joy forever.
Not wealth nor pride nor fortune's tide our bonds of love shall sever.
You are my Lord; Your precious Word shall guide my way
And help me stay forever in Your presence.

BLESSING ~ Page 210 ↑

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in
body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

People: Amen.

♪ NUNC DIMITTIS ~ Page 211 ↑

O Lord, now let Your servant depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, all glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit, forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning, is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding through all eternity.

COLLECT ~ Page 212 ↑

Pastor: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION ~ Page 212 ↑

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

People: Amen.

(Numbers 6:24-26)

♪ CLOSING HYMN ↑ *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* *LSB 849*

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;

Praise the One who frees the pris'ners turning blindness into sight.

Praise the One who preached the Gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,

Calming storms, and feeding thousands with the very Bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong, yet gentle word;

Praise the One who drove out demons with the piercing two-edged sword.

Praise the one who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;

From this Well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Let us praise the Word incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place.

Jesus died and rose victorious that we may know God by grace.

Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done;

Let us praise the true Redeemer, praise the One who makes us one.

POSTLUDE