

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 17, 2022 10:30 a.m.



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Order of Worship

Prelude

Beautiful Savior

Rhonda R.

Welcome and Announcements

Confession

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God,
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.

Forgiveness

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 your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

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Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
 Calling for you and for me.
 See, on the portals he's waiting and watching
 Watching for you and for me.
 "Come home, come home!
 You who are weary, come home."
 Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
 Calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading
 Pleading for you and for me?
 Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
 Mercies for you and for me?
 "Come home, come home!
 You who are weary, come home."
 Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
 Calling, "O sinner, come home!"

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,
 Promised for you and for me!
 Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
 Pardon for you and for me.

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“Come home, come home!
You who are weary, come home.”
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, “O sinner, come home!”

Text: Will L. Thompson; **Music:** Will L. Thompson.

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

Response: *And also with you.*

Canticle of Praise

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain,
Whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
And honor and blessing and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God
And join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
Be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God,
For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

First Reading – Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him.



When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may

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refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

Word of God, Word of Life.

Response: *Thanks be to God!*

Psalm 15

O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart;

who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the Lord; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;

who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Second Reading – Colossians 1:15-28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and

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blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Response: *Thanks be to God!*

Gospel Acclamation

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

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Gospel – Luke 10:38-42

Response: *Glory to You, O Lord.*

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

Blessed Assurance

Pastor Mandsager

Blessed Assurance

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Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

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This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long:
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long:
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long:
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby; **Music:** Phoebe P. Knapp.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of the Church

Christiana Adams

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

Response: And also with you.

Offertory *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?* Rhonda R.

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE



The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Response: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Invitation

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray.

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.

Communion Distribution

Communion Song*Lamb of God*

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant us peace, grant us peace.

Prayer

Oh, grant us then, well-strengthened with heav'nly food
while here, our course on earth is lengthened, to serve you
free from fear; and bring us home to praise you where none
can peace destroy, where we will ever raise you glad songs in
endless joy. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord's face shine upon
you with grace and mercy; the Lord look upon you with favor
and give you peace. **Amen.**

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

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Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow his example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in his footsteps treading,
Trav'lers here, our home above,

Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do our Savior's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

Let us suffer here with Jesus,
And with patience bear our cross.
Joy will follow all our sadness;
Where he is there is no loss.
Though today we sow no laughter,
We shall reap celestial joy:
All discomforts that annoy
Shall give way to mirth hereafter.
Jesus, here I share your woe;
Help me there your joy to know.

Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death he conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate of heaven.
Jesus, here with you I die,
There to live with you on high.

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Let us also live with Jesus.

He has risen from the dead

That to life we may awaken.

Jesus, you are now our head,

We are your own living members;

Where you live, there we shall be

In your presence constantly, living there with you forever.

Jesus, let me faithful be;

Life eternal grant to me.

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Oh, for a Thousand Tongues
To Sing*

Rhonda R.



Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?

*Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.*

*We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are trav'lers on the road;
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.*

*I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the nighttime of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.*

*I will weep when you are weeping;
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.*

*Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.*



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