

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

Greetings and Welcome

Prelude – “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus,” Taylor Justison, violin

GATHERING

**Call to Worship and Confession*

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: 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.

C: Amen.

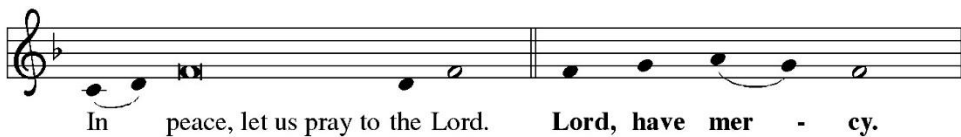
Silence for Reflection and Confession

P: Most merciful God,

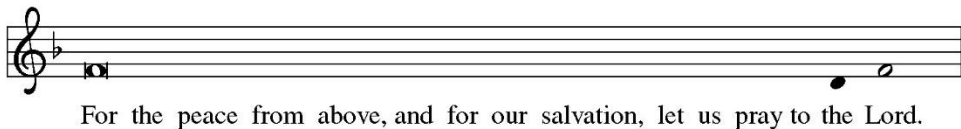
C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, 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 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.

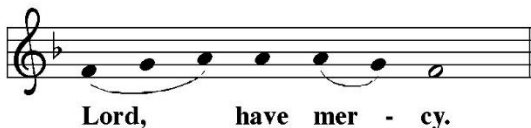
C: Amen.



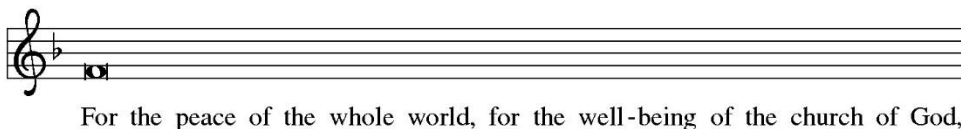
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



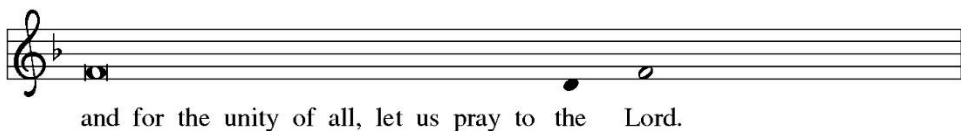
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



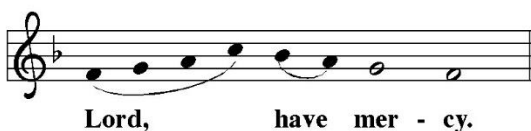
Lord, have mer - cy.



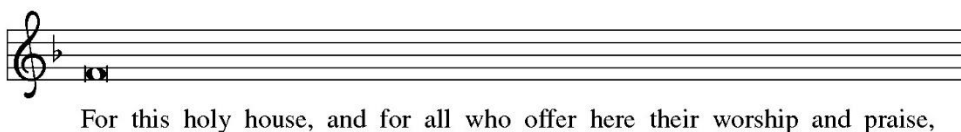
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



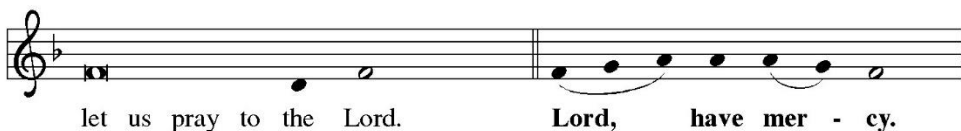
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



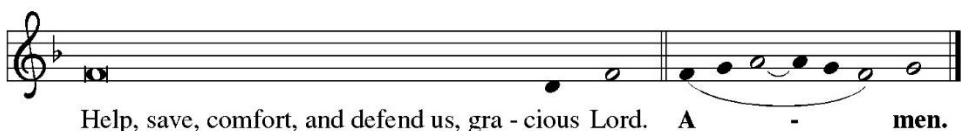
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. **A - men.**

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**Greeting and Prayer of the Day*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray ...

C: Amen.

**Sharing Christ's Peace*

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

C: And also with you.

All are invited to share the peace of Christ with one another.

Children's Sermon

Hymn of Praise – "I Am Trusting You, Lord Jesus" (LBW 460) (organ)

Introduction by Jean Welch

- 1 **I am trusting you, Lord Jesus, trusting only you;
trusting you for full salvation, free and true.**
- 2 **I am trusting you for pardon; at your feet I bow,
for your grace and tender mercy trusting now.**
- 3 **I am trusting you for cleansing in the crimson flood;
trusting you to make me holy by your blood.**
- 4 **I am trusting you to guide me; you alone shall lead,
ev'ry day and hour supplying all my need.**
- 5 **I am trusting you for power; you can never fail.
Words which you yourself shall give me must prevail.**
- 6 **I am trusting you, Lord Jesus; never let me fall.
I am trusting you forever and for all.**

WORD

Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Reader: Kelly Hartz

¹If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,
⁷but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
⁸ he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,
¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
¹¹and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading:* John 3:1-10, 16-17

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for

no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.’ ³Jesus answered him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.’ ⁴Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?’ ⁵Jesus answered, ‘Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, “You must be born from above.” ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.’ ⁹Nicodemus said to him, ‘How can these things be?’ ¹⁰Jesus answered him, ‘Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?’

¹⁶‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

P: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon: "I am Trusting You, Lord Jesus"

Song of the Day – “Firm Foundation”

(piano)

Chorus: Jesus, You’re my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure.

*Jesus, You’re my firm foundation, I put my hope in your holy Word,
I put my hope in your holy Word.*

1. **(I have a living hope) I have a living hope**
(I have a future) I have a future
(God has a plan for me) God has a plan for me
(Of this I’m sure) Of this I’m sure. Chorus
2. **(Your Word is faithful) Your Word is faithful**
(Mighty in power) Mighty in power
(God will deliver me) God will deliver me
(Of this I’m sure) Of this I’m sure. Chorus

**The 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 Intercession*

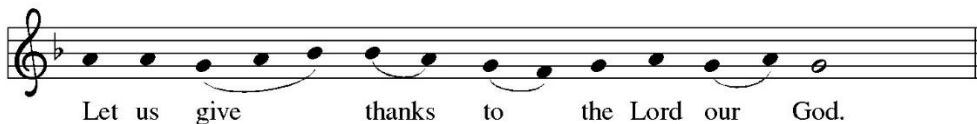
Stewardship Time

“In Christ Alone,” arr. Galbraith
sung by the Faith Singers
Taylor Justison, violin

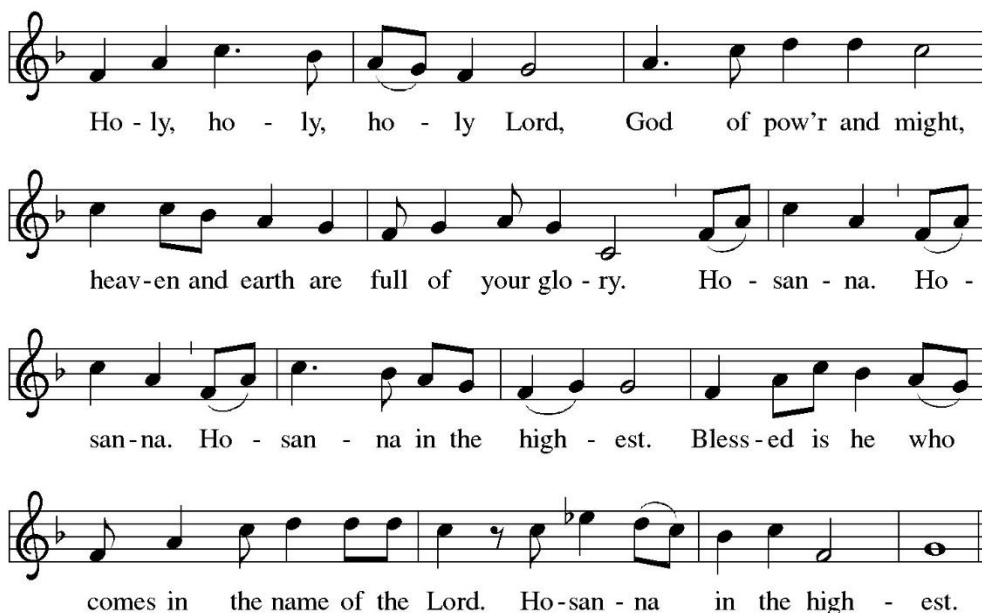
–Please take a moment to sign into the Welcome Folder in your pew–

**Great Thanksgiving*

(organ)



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

**Words of Institution*

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.

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*

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 Songs

“Beautiful Savior” ELW 838 (organ)

- 1 **Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**
- 2 **Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.**
- 3 **Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.**
- 4 **Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!**

“Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone” (piano)

1. **Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.**
2. **'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed.**

*Refrain: My chains are gone. I've been set free, my God, my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace.*

3. **Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far and grace will lead me home.**

**Post-Communion Blessing*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: **Amen.**

**Closing Prayer*

SENDING

**Benediction*

P: 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.

C: **Amen.**

**Sending Song – “Blessed Be Your Name”* *(piano)*

**1. Blessed be your name In the land that is plentiful
Where your streams of abundance flow Blessed be your name**

**2. Blessed be your name When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness Blessed be your name**

*Refrain: Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord Blessed be Your glorious name*

**3. Blessed be your name When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be' Blessed be your name**

**4. Blessed be your name On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering Blessed be your name** *Refrain*

**Dismissal*

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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Pianist: Jean Welch
Violinist: Taylor Justison
Drummer: John Demien
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Chancel Committee: Kim Heise
Coffee Host: Kay Schnitker



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Marilyn Dichsen			

What's Coming Up at Faith?

Sunday, June 9, 9:30am: Worship

10:45am: Discussion – “What is a Lutheran?” in the Justice Room

Wednesday, June 12, 7-8am: Men’s Prayer Group

Thursday, June 13, 8:30am: Breakfast Group at Kim’s Place (211 E. Court)

Sunday, June 16, 9:30am: Worship + Baptism of Luka Waddle **Newsletter Deadline**

10:45am: Discussion – “What is a Lutheran?” in the Justice Room

Wednesday, June 19, 7-8am: Men’s Prayer Group

10:00am: Discipleship Group in the Library

Thursday, June 20, 8:30am: Breakfast Group at Kim’s Place (211 E. Court)

6:00pm: Church Council Meeting

The altar plants are given today by
Theresa Savoie in memory of Mary Carolyn Savoie (6-13-1946)

News Updates

Discussion after Worship today – “What is a Lutheran?”

While on sabbatical, Pastor Adam and his family worshipped in lots of different settings. One Sunday, after worshipping at a Baptist church, his kids asked, "What is a Lutheran?" Through June 23, our readings, music, and sermons will address this question. After worship, join Pastor Adam in the Justice Room (across from the doors to the Great Room) to continue the conversation. Come ask questions, share stories, and learn more about what it means to be Lutheran.

Discipleship Group:

Join us at 10:00am on Wednesday, June 19, as we gather to pray, break bread together, share the Bible, and enjoy fellowship with each other. Contact Kelly Hartz at (217) 502-1979 or khartz@sompo-intl.com with any questions.

Sunday School Thank You!

Many thanks to all who helped with our Sunday School program this year, especially Patty Nelson and Gilbert Wellenreiter for their dedication as teachers. We are already starting to make plans for next year's Sunday School program. **If you have any interest in helping**, please contact the church office.

Sign-Up Sheets

are available at the podium in the gathering area. Please take a moment to sign up to be an Usher, Reader, Greeter, Communion Assistant, Coffee Host, Chancel Committee volunteer, and to Donate Altar Plants. **Thank You!** *We are Gifted to Serve!*

Summer Youth Camps

Performing Arts Camp (PAC) at Green Pastures Christian Retreat Center is for youth entering grades 5-12: June 14-15, 21-22, and 28-29. Cost is \$50/camper.

Fire in Our Hearts (FIOH) at Green Pastures is for youth entering grades 5-12 and will take place on July 8-12 and 22-26. Cost is \$135/camper.

If needed, scholarships are available.

Registration link: <http://www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org/registration>.

For more information call: 217-584-1374; email: contact@greenpasturesretreatcenter.org