

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - JULY 4, 2021



When God calls us into faith, he not only equips us with all we need for the journey, he offers his grace in the midst of trials. The Lord will speak to us through his holy Word. By faith we are called to rely on God's grace alone and not our own strength, intellect, or worldly wisdom. God's love is enough, and he will work that which is needed within us to accomplish his kingdom plans. If we listen, we will hear.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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- ◆ You are here by God's calling and we extend Christ's hospitality to you this day.
- ◆ In worship, we hear God's Word, partake in the Lord's Supper, and give thanks to God in prayer and praise.
- ◆ If you receive the Lord's Supper in your home congregation, you are welcome to receive it here.
- ◆ Restrooms and a nursery are located in the backside hallway. Look for the horseshoe cross.
- ◆ Please fill out a visitor card so we can keep in touch. The Lord give you strength for daily living.
- ◆ An personal hearing aid is available if needed. Please ask a Greeter or any member for assistance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS, MUSICAL PRELUDE - MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

HOLY COMMUNION, SETTING ONE

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS (*Stand, Spoken*)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

P: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus Christ our Lord, let us with confidence draw near to God, that we may receive mercy and find grace in time of need. (*Hebrews 4:14-16, adapted*)

C: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your lovingkindness. In your great mercy wash away our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us clean hearts and renew a right spirit within us. Restore us to the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. Amen (*Psalms 51:1-2, 10-11, adapted*) (*A moment of silent confession*)

P: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

APOSTOLIC GREETING (*Spoken*)

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR MERCY (*Spoken*)

P: Let us pray to the Lord for peace. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for salvation. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray to the Lord for the well-being of the world and the unity of the Church of God. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray for this holy house as we offer God our worship and praise. **C: Lord have mercy.**

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

HYMN "MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE" #566 (*Sung*)

My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing:

Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims' pride, From ev'ry mountainside Let freedom ring.

My native country, thee, Land of the noble free, Thy name I love;

I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and templed hills; My heart with rapture thrills Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song;

Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing:

Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light, Protect us by thy might, Great God, our king.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(Spoken)*

P: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray: O God,

C: you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST READING — EZEKIEL 2:1-5, p. 823 *(Sit)*

SECOND READING — 2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10, p. 1152

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL VERSE *(Stand, Sung)*

Divine instructor, gracious Lord, May you be always near; Teach us to love your sacred Word and find our Savior there.

GOSPEL READING & RESPONSES – MARK 6:1-13, p. 1000 *(Spoken)*

P: The Holy Gospel from St. Mark chapter 6. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

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

MESSAGE *(Sit)*

HYMN “O GOD OUR HELP IN AGES PAST” #320 *(Stand, Sung)*

**O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home:**

**Under the shadow of your throne Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is your arm alone, And our defense is sure.**

**Before the hills in order stood Or earth received its frame,
From everlasting you are God, To endless years the same.**

**A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.**

**Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.**

**O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come
Still be our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!**

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(Spoken)*

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 into hell. 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 *(Spoken)*

P: Let us pray, ... through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen.**

OFFERING HYMN *(Sung)*

**We give thee but thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.
May we thy bounties thus As stewards true receive, And gladly, as thou blessest us, To thee our first fruits give.**

OFFERING PRAYER (*Spoken*)

P: Let us pray.

C: Lord God, maker of all things, through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer our selves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (*Spoken*)

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (*Sung*)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

AGNUS DEI (*Sung*)

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE HOLY SACRAMENT (*Sit*)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN (*Stand, Sung*)

Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (*Spoken*)

Holy Father, having received now this blessed food and drink, we ask you to deliver us from every evil, teach us to love you perfectly, and make us one, holy Church doing the good works you desire us to do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BENEDICTION (*Spoken, Romans 15:13*)

P: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, through the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

HYMN: "AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL" (*Sung*)

**O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brother hood from sea to shining sea.**

**O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.**

**O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. (*Spoken*)

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE — MUSICIAN: KAREN WARNELL

