

Service of Holy Communion



Seventeenth Week after Pentecost

Student Convocation on Race Relations

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LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK

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Gathering Song

There is a Balm in Gilead

LSB 749

The cantor will sing the refrain once. The assembly is invited to sing the refrain all subsequent times. The cantor will sing the stanzas.



There is a balm in Gil-e-ad To make the wound-ed whole;



There is a balm in Gil-e - ad To heal the sin - sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged
And think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again. **Refrain**

Don't ever feel discouraged,
For Jesus is your friend;
And if you lack for knowledge,
He'll ne'er refuse to lend. **Refrain**

If you cannot preach like Peter,
If you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus
And say He died for all. **Refrain**

—stand if able—

Confession

L: Let us confess our sins to God our Father:

C: **Most merciful God,**

we come before you this day in humility.

**We have sinned against you explicitly and implicitly,
knowingly and unknowingly, shamefully and arrogantly.**

All our righteous thoughts, words, and deeds are like filthy rags.

**We have sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
and we have left undone the ministry of reconciliation.**

**We have made idols of ideologies,
failing to fear, love, and trust in You alone.**

**We have arrogantly turned in on ourselves,
prioritizing our own wellbeing over that of our neighbor.**

**Because we have failed to show honor and offer hospitality,
we deserve Your condemnation and come to You in repentance.**

**For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, restore us, and form us
so that Your word may increase
in our lives and our neighborhoods
to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

L: Children of God,
there is no greater love than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends.
And we know love by this,
that Jesus laid down his life for us,
and for His sake forgives us all our sins.
As a called and ordained servant of the Word,
I announce to you the message of reconciliation:
in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,
not counting their trespasses against them.
In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ,
I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son
and of the Holy Spirit.
You have been washed, you have been sanctified,
you have been justified in the name of Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.
When the Son sets you free, you are free indeed.

C: Amen.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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—sit—

First Reading

Acts 6:1-7

—stand if able—

Gospel Acclamation

Lord, This Day We've Come to Worship

This Far By Faith, 137

Text: Richard Dickinson

Tune: B. B. McKinney

The cantor will sing the stanzas. The assembly will sing the Alleluia refrain.

In the pow'r of resurrection we have come to praise the Lord,
Celebrate his blessed supper, and to learn his holy Word.

Alleluia Refrain (next page)

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, praise the Lord! Lord!

May your Word enrich our spirit, give us strength to do your will,
show the kingdom we'll inherit, when at least our voice is still.

Refrain

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:23-32

—sit—

Homily

Acts 6

—stand if able—

Hymn of the Day

LSB 964

The assembly will sing stanzas 1 and 3. The cantor will sing stanza 2.

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Offertory

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child
Sung by Mrs. Monique Nunes

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
A long way from home, a long way from home

Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost done
And a long, long way from home, a long way from home

True believer
True believer
A long, long way from home
A long, long way from home

Service of the Sacrament

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—sit—

The Lord's Supper will be distributed at four stations, instead of the altar rails, on each side of the chancel, two on the chancel level and two on the nave floor. Please proceed to whichever station is available on either side as you approach the altar. The pulpit side and south transept will come forward first, then the lectern side and north transept.

Communion Music

This is the Feast

The refrain is sung by the cantor. The assembly then repeats the refrain. The cantor sings the verses of the canticle and the assembly sings the refrain as noted.



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

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Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor, blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. (x2)

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. (x2)

Rivers of Delight

Fannie Crosby; Arr. David von Kampen

Sung by the choral ensemble

The piece "Rivers of Delight" was commissioned by Chapel of the Cross Lutheran Church in St. Louis for their 50th anniversary as a congregation. The piece is an intentional intersection of the congregation and community, using the medium of the Gospel Song to proclaim Christ in a particular cultural context. It reflects the opportunity that music affords to build bridges of cultural exchange and mutual enrichment.

I will bless the Lord and praise Him evermore,
In His name my trust shall be;
I will sing His praise and triumph in His grace,
For His righteousness avails for me.

Refrain:

With Him own right hand He leadeth me,
And the way grows bright as I go;
For with Him I walk by rivers of delight,
Where the living waters gently flow.

I will bless the Lord, whose tender, loving care
Has been with me all my days;
He has filled my life with blessings ever new,
And merciful are all His way.

I will bless the Lord, my Shelter and Defence,
I will trust, and fear no ill;
Tho' I walk alone the valley and the shade,
His rod and staff shall comfort still.

Dismissal

—stand if able—

Post-Communion Collect

L: Let us pray...God of our ancestors, God of all people, before whose face the human generations pass away; we thank you that as the broken bread was gathered into one loaf, the broken fragments of our history are gathered up and healed by the redeeming act of Christ. Send us forth in peace, form us into what we celebrate, the body of Christ in the world. Nourished by this sacrament, give us strength and courage to serve you in daily life with joy and singleness of heart. In the Name of Christ we pray.

C: Amen

Charge to the Assembly

L: Beloved in the Lord, God has shown you what is good. What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Blessing

L: Reconciling God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C: Amen.

The Servants of the Word

Presider: Professor David Maxwell

Preacher: Director of Recruitment Micah Glenn

Assistant: Dean of the Chapel Kent Burreson, Seminarians Mason Vieth and Avery Hjulberg

Organist: Director of Music Arts James Marriott

Cantor: Rev. Gerard Bolling

Associate Pastor, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, St. Louis, MO

In Preparation for Communion

To Our Guests:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on our campus in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. **-Kent J. Burreson, Dean of the Chapel**

Notes Regarding Communion

- The campus Lord's Supper is sponsored and hosted by Hope Lutheran Church, St. Louis, and Pastor Randy Asbury.
- We drink the joyous cup of salvation from wine that is grown and produced locally, fruit of the earth that surrounds us here in Missouri, gifts of the Creator's hand. The Chapel's Red Wine is from Montelle Winery, Augusta, Missouri and the White Wine is from Blumenhof Winery, Dutzow, Missouri.

Private Confession and Absolution

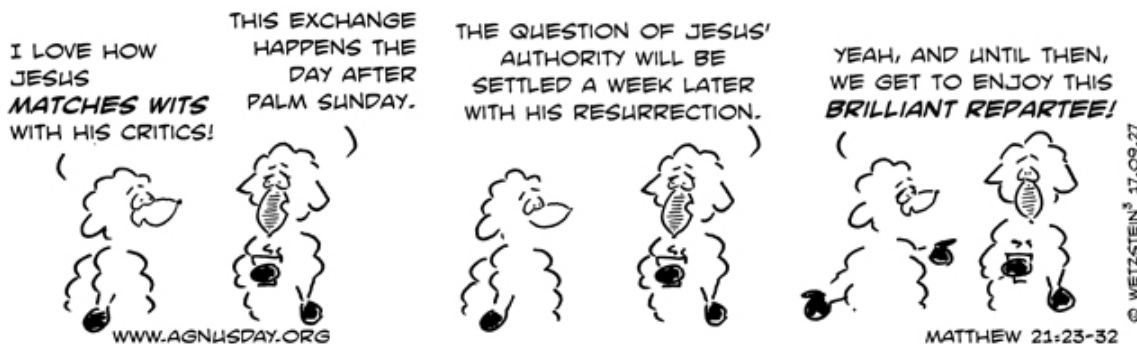
Contact Chaplain Sieveking to arrange for confession and absolution.

Prayer Requests

- LCMS Black Ministry
- LCMS Black Clergy Caucus
- Partner Church Bodies
- Synodical Leaders
- Districts and District Presidents
- Missionaries
- The Lutheran Women's Missionary League
- Immigrants and Refugees, including those assisted by Christian Friends of New Americans in St. Louis; The Poor and Oppressed, especially in Guatemala, Honduras, and

El Salvador, and Those Suffering from Natural and Man-Made Disasters: California, Oregon, Washington, Iowa, Alabama, Louisiana, and Texas; Algeria, Lebanon, Mauritius, Sudan, and flooding in countries throughout the world

- For those throughout the world affected by COVID-19 and the prevention of the spread of the Coronavirus
- Those who are ill/undergoing surgery: Rev. Erich Kaelberer battling ALS; Roger Drinnon, father to graduate student Roger Drinnon, battling cancer; Retired staff member Dick Jostes who has entered hospice care; Professor emeritus David Berger, rehabilitating from various health complications after a fall; Brad Briscoe, and his wife Rhonda, friends of graduate student Alex Schrader, as Brad battles debilitating health issues; Professor Emeritus Jerrold Eickmann who suffered a heart attack and is recovering; Walt Schaffner, supporter of the seminary, diagnosed with myeloma and currently undergoing treatment
- Those Mourning: Retired Seminary Nurse Betty Ann Knackstedt and her family at the death of her husband, Jim; The family and friends of Coy Tollefson, a high school classmate of Nick Wagenknecht, who died unexpectedly this weekend, and of Terry DeGroot, a friends of Nick Wagenknecht, who was tragically shot and killed; St. John's Lutheran Church, St. Louis, and the family and friends of Officer Tamarris Bohannon, who was killed in the line of duty; Seminarian Matt Gerzevske and his family mourning the sudden death of his father, David



Reflections on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, from Matthew 21, from Ted and Rick (dark nose) by LCMS Pastor James Wetzstein (Agnus Day appears with the permission of www.agnusday.org).

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