

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—JULY 10, 2022

A MOMENT OF SABBATH REFLECTION

“Prière”

–Léon Boëllmann

(Helen Weiss Phelps, organ)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***INVOCATION**

In the name of the Father, and of ✝ the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity one God,
whose steadfast love endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

**Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves
and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

ELW # 742

Text: Joseph Scriven, 1820-1886; Public Domain

1

**What a friend we have in Jesus,
all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!**

**Oh, what peace we often forfeit;
oh, what needless pain we bear--
all because we do not carry
ev'rything to God in prayer!**

2

**Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged--
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--
take it to the Lord in prayer.**

3

**Are we weak and heavy-laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge--
take it to the Lord in prayer.**

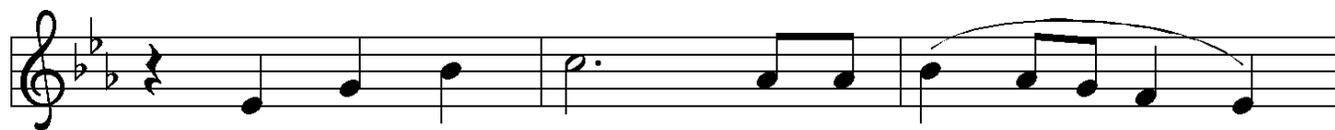
**Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you;
you will find a solace there.**

***GREETING**

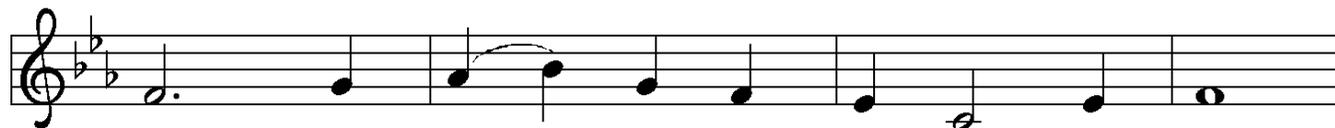
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo - ry to God in the high -



est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



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



Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



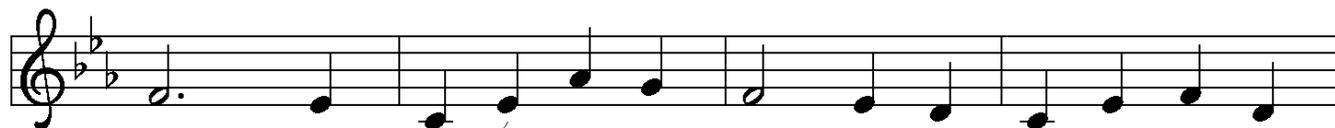
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus



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.

Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Merciful God who sees,

we remember today our sister Hagar who suffered and struggled through difficulties out of her control. You loved and cared for her by coming to her and offering guidance, mercy, and grace. You remind us that You are the God of all people, including the outcast and the oppressed. Make us instruments of Your love in this world to find ways to care for those in pain feeling outcast from security, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit. One God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

SERMON TEXT: Genesis 16:7-15; 21:8-21

⁷The angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur. ⁸And he said, "Hagar, slave-girl of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?" She said, "I am running away from my mistress Sarai." ⁹The angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit to her." ¹⁰The angel of the LORD also said to her, "I will so greatly multiply your offspring that they cannot be counted for multitude." ¹¹And the angel of the LORD said to her,

"Now you have conceived and shall bear a son;
you shall call him Ishmael,
for the LORD has given heed to your affliction.

¹²He shall be a wild ass of a man,
with his hand against everyone,
and everyone's hand against him;
and he shall live at odds with all his kin."

¹³So she named the LORD who spoke to her, "You are El-roi"; for she said, "Have I really seen God and remained alive after seeing him?" ¹⁴Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; it lies between Kadesh and Bered.

¹⁵Hagar bore Abram a son; and Abram named his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael.

⁸The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. ⁹But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom

she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. ¹⁰So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." ¹¹The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. ¹²But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. ¹³As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." ¹⁴So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. ¹⁵When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. ¹⁶Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. ¹⁷And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. ¹⁸Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." ¹⁹Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink. ²⁰God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. ²¹He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

DWELLING IN THE WORD

HOMILY "Hagar"

Vicar Jamie Witt

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" ELW # 779; *stanzas 1-4*

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807; Alt. sts. 3 & 4; anonymous st. 5; Public Domain

1

**Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am 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!

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.

4

The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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**

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

—setting, Sondra Tucker

Handbell Trio: Heather & Mark Boyer, Susie Glass

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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 to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS

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

All praise to you, glorious God of grace.
Throughout the ages you have blessed us
with foremothers of the faith.

With Sarah,

we bless you for your gift of life.

With Ruth,

we praise you for family and food.

With Miriam,

we celebrate our escape from the foe.

Remembering Deborah,

we honor the words of your prophets.

Remembering the woman at the well,

we laud you for living water.

Remembering Junia,

we thank you for those who minister among your people.

And one with the daughter of Jairus,

we wake to life in you.

With Mary, we magnify your name:

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

Remembering Martha and Mary, we join Jesus at this meal.

Living, he healed the bleeding woman;

dying, he cared for his mother;

risen, he sent Mary Magdalene in mission.

On the night before he died, he 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.

With Mary, again we magnify your name:

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

Mighty God of mercy,
as you heard the prayers of Hannah, so now hear us.
Send your Spirit on this bread and wine,
that sharing the body and blood of Christ
we become his body in the world.

Send your Spirit on this assembly,
that like Phoebe, we serve one another with zeal.
Send your Spirit on the church,
that like Anna, we tell others of your mercy.
Send your Spirit into our hearts,
that like Dorcas, we care for the poor and needy.

With Mary, once more we magnify your name:

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.**

All praise to you, powerful God of peace.
We adore you, our God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
you who mother and feed and comfort us,
today, tomorrow, and forever.

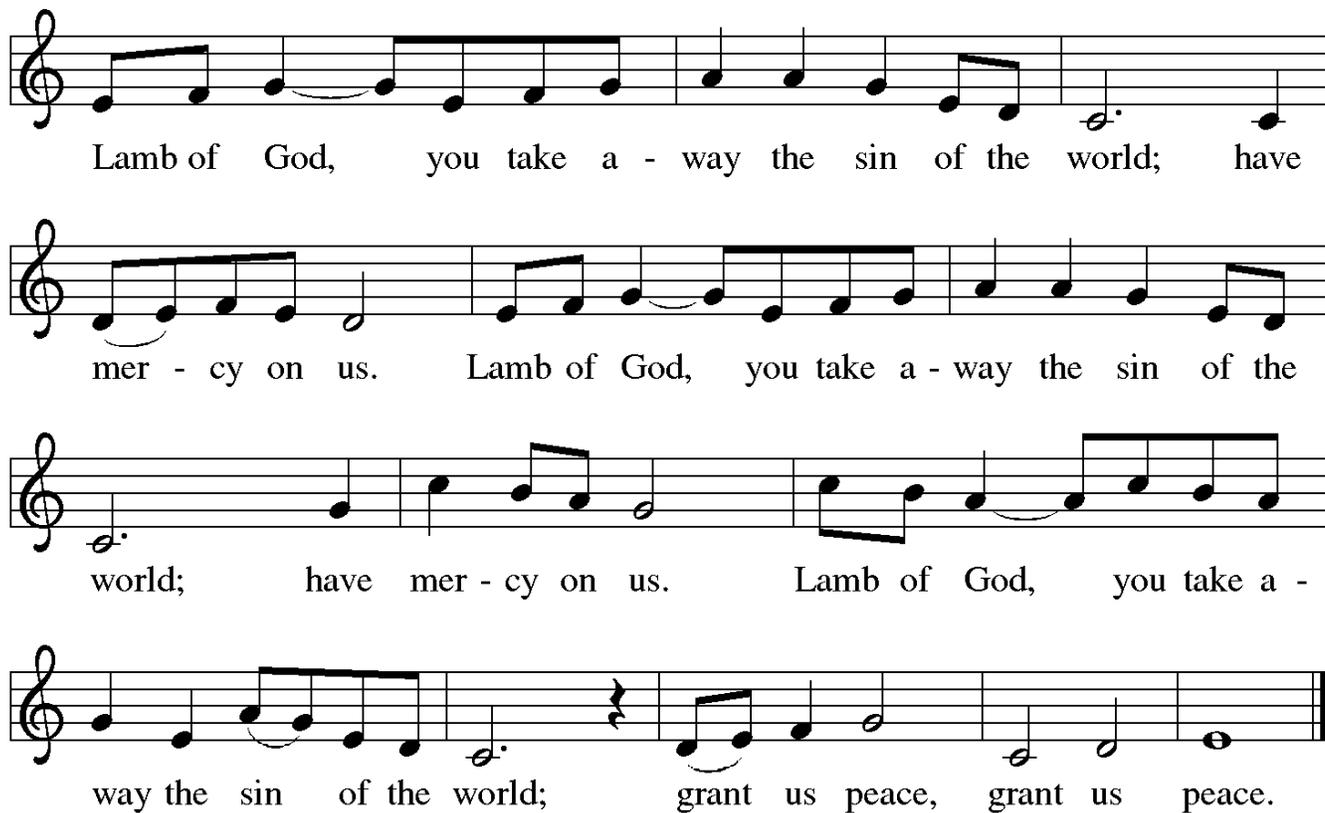
Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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**

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG

“Be Thou My Vision” ELW # 793

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931; Public Domain

1

Be thou my vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
Save that thou art:
Thou my best thought
Both by day and by night,
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light.

2

Be thou my wisdom,
And thou my true word;
I ever with thee
And thou with me, Lord.

**Thou my soul's shelter,
And thou my high tow'r,
Raise thou me heav'nward,
O Pow'r of my pow'r.**

3

**Riches I heed not,
Nor vain, empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance,
now and always:**

**Thou and thou only,
The first in my heart,
Great God of heaven,
My treasure thou art.**

4

**Light of my soul,
After victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys,
O heaven's Sun!**

**Heart of my own heart,
Whatever befall,
Still be my vision,
O Ruler of all.**

COMMUNION SONG

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Text: Ray Palmer, Public Domain

ELW # 759

1

**My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine!**

**Now hear me while I pray,
take all my guilt away,
oh, let me from this day
be wholly thine!**

2

**May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire;**

**As thou hast died for me,
oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be,
a living fire!**

3

**While life's dark maze I tread
and griefs around me spread,
be thou my guide;**

**Bid darkness turn to day,
wipe sorrow's tears away,
nor let me ever stray
from thee aside.**

4

**When ends life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
shall o'er me roll;**

**Blest Savior, then, in love
fear and distrust remove;
oh, bear me safe above,
a ransomed soul!**

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

***SENDING PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**

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.

In the name of the Father, ✚ the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

ELW # 733

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866-1960

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1

Great is thy faithfulness,

O God my Father;

There is no shadow

Of turning with thee;

Thou changest not,

Thy compassions they fail not;

As thou hast been,

Thou forever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning

New mercies I see;

All I have needed

Thy hand hath provided;

Great is thy faithfulness,

Lord, unto me.

2

Summer and winter

And springtime and harvest,

Sun, moon, and stars

In their courses above

Join with all nature

In manifold witness

To thy great faithfulness,

Mercy, and love.

**Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
New mercies I see;**

**All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me.**

**3
Pardon for sin
And a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence
To cheer and to guide;**

**Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine,
With ten thousand beside!**

**Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
New mercies I see;**

**All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness,
Lord, unto me.**

(end)

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune in D Major”

–David N. Johnson

Lutheran
Church of the
RESURRECTION



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