3rd Sunday of Pentecost June 21, 2020

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.

Confession and Forgiveness

Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sin to God our Father, imploring Him, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God, and bestows on them his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Worship

Kyrie

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

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

Lord have mercy.

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 mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mercy.

Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.

Amen.

Opening Prayer

Hearing God's Word

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13 Pew Bible 648; Lg Prt 822

⁷ O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸ For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. 9 If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰ For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him." 11 But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. 13 Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-10 Pew Bible 497; Lg Prt 631

¹ He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

² I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God,

in whom I trust."

- ³ For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- ⁵ You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
- ⁶ nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- ⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- ⁸ You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.
- ⁹ Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refuge—
- ¹⁰ no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

Epistle Reading

Romans 6:12-23

Pew Bible 943; Lg Prt 1199

¹² Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³ Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸ and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your

members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. ²⁰ For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.



Our Gospel reading comes to us from the 10th chapter of Matthew, **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel **Matthew 10:5, 21-33**

Pew Bible 815; Lg Prt 1035

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ²¹ Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for

truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. ²⁴ "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. ²⁶ "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

The gospel of the Lord,

Praise to you, O Christ.

The Message

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of Intercession

(To be sung after the prayer)

Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole.

Peace to all people, hope for each soul.

God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.

Sharing of God's Peace

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which you were called in the one body. The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

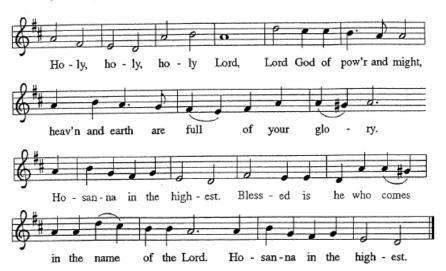
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

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

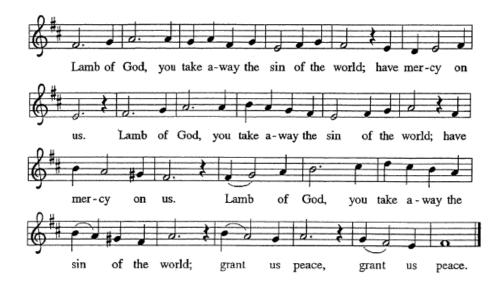
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Words of Institution

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.



Invitation to the Table

The table of our Lord is made ready before you. All baptized believers are welcome to come and to partake of Holy Communion at His table. Children are to come forward with their parents for a blessing.

(Please be seated)

Distribution of Holy Communion. (We will do continuous communion. Please observe social distancing between households.) Communion Hymns

"When Peace like a River" #785
"Children of the Heavenly Father" #781

(Stand, if you are able)

The Blessing

Benediction

Dismissal Charge

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

Organist –Ann Sommer Reader – Debbie Winslow Communion Assistant- Stanley Sommer Ushers – Allen Gajeske & Mark Lehmann Altar flowers- David & Debbie Winslow in honor of Father's Day

Schedule for this week June 21-27, 2020

Today Father's Day

8:45 am Worship (Communion) 10:00 am Children's Sunday School

Next Sunday 8:45 am Worship

10:00 am Children's Sunday School Reader— Jennifer Smith

Flowers—Roger & Mary Ann Ellermann

Other activities will be arranged as conditions permit. We will do our best to observe safe health practices, while at the same time we continue classes, Bible studies, etc., as will be announced.

Prayer Chain

We have a volunteer prayer chain at St. Matthew, led by Tillie Harrison (421-6127). If you have any prayer requests for them, please submit a prayer request card from the pew on Sunday, or call Tillie with the information. Don't forget to advise her if names can be removed from the list.

If You Need to Contact Pastor Brower

Pastor Brower will normally be in the church office Monday through Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each week. Feel free to drop by for a visit. Call 530-3166 just to be sure he is there. You may call Pr. Brower as needed at any time, especially if someone is going into the hospital or has a need for immediate pastoral care.

Keep In Your Prayers Members Needing Prayer

Clint & Winnie Boriack, Anna Bosse, Mary Ann Ellermann, Barbara Kramer, John Ulrich, Mary Ulrich, LaVerene Weiss

In our Extended Family

Ethan Boriack—grandson of Clint & Winnie
Mark Dickerson—friend Clint & Cendy Duch
Dalton Dunfield—friend of Jahnke family
John & Carol Haarmeyer – friends of Darrell Wehmeyer
Delphine & Frances Merkel—parents of Deanna Scheffer
Bobby Mertz-friend Roger & Sandra Duch
Pauline – friend of Florence Kubeczka
Dennis Siegmund-father of Michelle Lampe
Ann Smith – mother-in-law of Jennifer Smith
Leroy Tegeler – friend of Darrell Wehmeyer

(To add or remove a name above, call Tillie Harrison at 421-6127) If you have friends/family on the prayer list above, please call Tillie and let her know if they should still be on the prayer list.