

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Service of the Word
June 14, 2020

PRELUDE Partita on Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend | Georg Böhm

Gathering

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

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.

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,

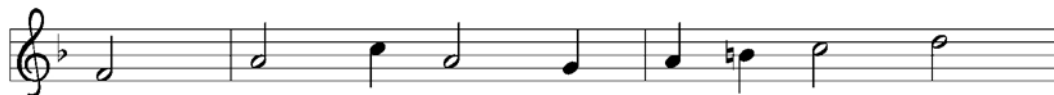
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,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

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us 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.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN #527 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, be pres - ent now; our
2 Un - seal our lips to sing your praise in
3 Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O
4 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and



hearts in true de - vo - tion bow. Your
end - less hymns through all our days; in -
ho - ly, ho - ly Lord Most High!" And
Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One! To



Spir - it send with light di - vine, and
crease our faith and light our minds; and
in the light of that blest place we
you, O bless - ed Trin - i - ty, be

let your truth with - in us shine.
 set us free from doubt that blinds.
 then shall see you face to face.
 praise through - out e - ter - ni - ty!

Text: attr. Wilhelm II, 1598–1662; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: HERR JESU CHRIST, DICH ZU UNS WEND, *Cantionale Germanicum*, Gochsheim, 1628

APOSTOLIC 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.

GLORIA

Assisting minister

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

God of compassion, you have brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your kingdom and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Word

FIRST READING *Exodus 19:2-8a*

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: “Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 100

The cantor and congregation alternate in the singing of psalm verses, beginning with the cantor.



Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all you lands! *

Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God’s presence | with a song.

Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom | we belong; *

we are God’s people and the sheep | of God’s pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the | courts with praise; *

give thanks and bless God’s | holy name.

Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is | everlasting, *

whose faithfulness endures from | age to age.

SECOND READING *Romans 5:1-8*

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia sung by all:

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia acclamation. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The tempo and meter are not explicitly stated. The lyrics are: "Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a steady accompaniment.

Verse sung by cantor: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; God's glory fills the whole earth.
Repeat Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Matthew 9:35–10:23*

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

"See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against

parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY #579 Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com - mis-sion: “Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser-vice: “In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: “This my bod - y,
 4 Lord, you show us love’s true mea-sure: “Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: “I am with you



preach the word.” Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
 tize and teach.” That the world may trust your prom - ise,
 this my blood.” Let us all, for earth’s true glo - ry,
 do, for - give.” Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 to the end.” Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the



to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
 world a - round us share your chil - dren’s lib - er - ty:
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:

Refrain



With the Spir - it’s gifts em - pow’r us for the work of min - is - try.

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APOSTLES' CREED

**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

.... Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER *Sung by all*



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav- en, hal- low- ed be
thy name, thy king-dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heav- en. Give us this day our
dai- ly bread; and for- give us our tres- pass- es,
as we for- give those who tres- pass a- gainst us; and lead us



not in- to temp-ta- tion, but de- liv- er us from e- vil.



For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the



glo- ry, for- ev- er and ev- er. A- men.

Sending

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #663 Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word



- 1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
- 2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
- 3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv' n now to guide us on to heav' n,
- 4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;



Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav- en's gifts ex - tend to all.
 and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
 strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
 let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Praeludium in D Major BuxWV 139 | Dietrich Buxtehude

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Today from the life of the church

Here is where the meaning and strength of the corporate prayer of the church resides, as Luther speaks of it in the sermon on good works. In this corporate prayer God possesses his strongest means for organizing the whole church toward his purpose. The church recognizes itself in prayer as an instrument of his will and organizes itself accordingly in active obedience. This provides the church with its chief impulse; the devil fears a roof of thatch beneath which the church is at prayer more than he does a splendid church in which many masses are celebrated. Thus it is of decisive significance for the church that it should give to corporate prayer its proper, central place. The church that leads to one life must also have and practice on prayer. In this prayer it takes upon itself the burden of the many individuals who already or still belong to it, and bears it to God. In the church each one bears the other's burden, and it is knowing that intercession is a means supplied by God for the realization of his aim that we can recognize and practice it with meaning. In intercession, too, we confirm the nature of Christian love as making us act "with," "for," and finally "in place of" our neighbor, thereby drawing them deeper and deeper into the church. Thus when one is interceding for another in Jesus' name, the whole church is praying, but praying as "Christ existing as the church."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906–1945)

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