

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion
Sunday, June 13, 2021

PRELUDE Cantabile | César Franck

Gathering

Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

#865 PROCESSIONAL HYMN Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

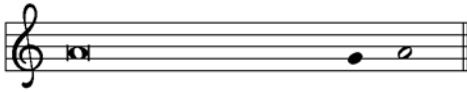
Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.

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.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,
 let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.
 Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Word

Please sit.

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 17:22-24*

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.

All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 92:1-4, 12-15

Sung responsively.

It is a good thing to give thanks | to the Lord,
 to sing praise to your name, | O Most High;

**to herald your love | in the morning
 and your faithful- | ness at night;**

on the psaltery, and | on the lyre,
 and to the melody | of the harp.

**For you have made me glad by your | acts, O Lord;
 and I shout for joy because of the works | of your hands.**

The righteous shall flourish | like a palm tree,
 and shall spread abroad like a ce- | dar of Lebanon.

**Those who are planted in the house | of the Lord
 shall flourish in the courts | of our God;**

they shall still bear fruit | in old age;
they shall be | green and succulent;
that they may show how up- | right the Lord is,
my rock, in whom there is | no injustice.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please sit.

#174 GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Acclamation sung by all:



Verse (Sung by cantor): Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.
All repeat acclamation.

GOSPEL Mark 4:26-34

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit.

SERMON

Please stand.

#658 HYMN OF THE DAY O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

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.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Meal

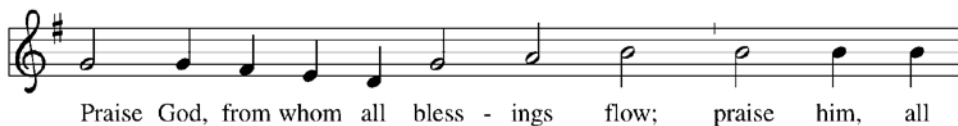
Please sit.

OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Choral | Alice Sauvezis

Please stand.

OFFERTORY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
 heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711
 Music: OLD HUNDREDETH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves 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

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

LORD'S PRAYER



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.

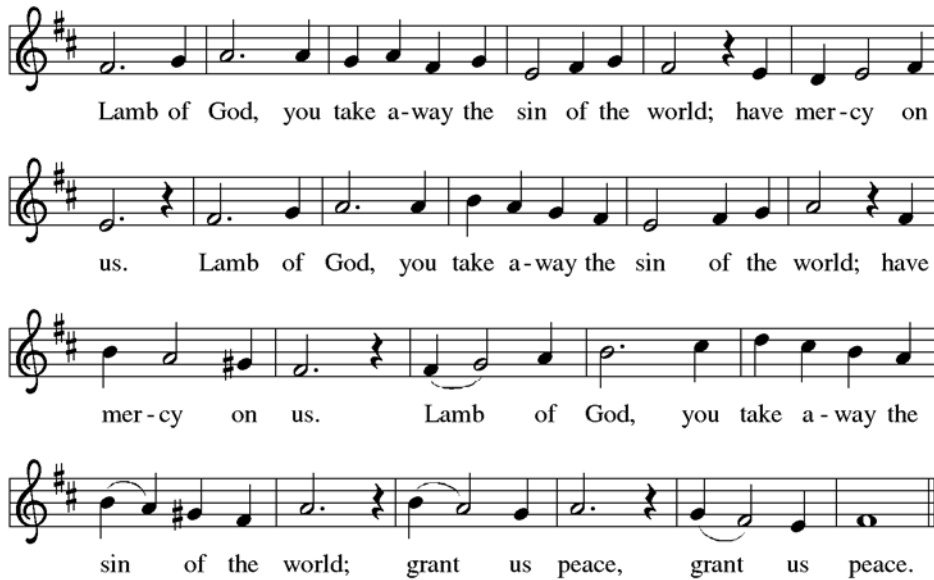


For thine is the king- dom, and the pow- er, and the



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

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.

Please sit.

THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread) in our open hands and the Blood of Christ (wine) by intinction. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup; persons unable to drink wine are encouraged to abstain from the cup and receive Christ in the bread.

COMMUNION HYMNS

- #759 My Faith Looks Up to Thee
- #863 My God, How Wonderful Thou Art

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Sending

BLESSING

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

#434 RECESSIONAL HYMN Jesus Shall Reign

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Fanfare for Organ | Richard Proulx

Serving today

Presiding	Pastor John Worzala Dumke
Preaching	Pastor Brad Pohlman
Organist	Andrew Schaeffer
Cantors	Carl Anderson, Jay Suthers
Assisting Minister	Peggy Baldwin
Communion Assistant	Rolf Wulfsberg
Lector	Peter Mahler
Crucifer	Judy Braham
Sacristan	Judy Braham
Ushers	Connie & Randy Burmeister
Video Director	Lee Powell
Sound Operator	Dave Heins

Altar flowers are given by Robert & Marsha Steffen in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary “for all the blessings God has granted us over the past 50 years,” on June 12.

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