

Luther Memorial Church

Holy Communion second sunday after pentecost sunday, june 19, 2022 | 9:30 am

PRELUDE Petit Prélude | Joseph Jongen

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.**

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.#705 PROCESSIONAL HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory

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.**

Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

LIVESTREAM BROADCAST

The 9:30 am service is livestreamed on our website at www.luthermem.org and YouTube. Cameras are installed in the nave, and worshipers may occasionally be visible on this broadcast.

PARKING

Free parking is available Sundays in the Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is reserved in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed during summer.

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free communion wafers are available.

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- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
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HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord God, creation cries out in misery and loss. In your mercy, help us follow Christ amid the world's, and our own, pain. That by your Spirit's power we might engage the forces of evil with Christ's love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

Please sit.

FIRST READING Isaiah 65:1–9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22:19-28

The choir sings the antiphon, "In the midst of the assembly I will praise you," *before and after the psalm. The choir and congregation alternate in the singing of the psalm verses, beginning with the choir.*



But you, O Lord, be not | far away; * O my help, hasten | to my aid. Deliver me | from the sword, * my life from the power | of the dog. Save me from the | lion's mouth! * From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me. I will declare your name | to my people; * in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you. You who fear the Lord, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory. * Stand in awe of the Lord, all you off- | spring of Israel. For the Lord does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the Lord's face hid- | den from them;* but when they cry out, | the Lord hears them. From you comes my praise in the | great assembly; * I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the Lord. The poor shall eat | and be satisfied. * Let those who seek the Lord give praise! May your hearts | live forever! All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the Lord; * all the families of nations shall bow | before God. For dominion belongs | to the Lord, * who rules o- | ver the nations.

SECOND READING Galatians 3:23–29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand. GOSPEL PROCESSION



Verse (sung by choir): Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.

GOSPEL *Luke* 8:26–39

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" — for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you. So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

Please sit. SERMON

Please stand.

#665 HYMN OF THE DAY Rise, Shine, You People!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH & RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these new members, one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

I present the following, who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism:

Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

Amen.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? *I renounce them.*

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? *I renounce them.*

Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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. You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in them the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ. We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** *Please greet your neighbor:* **Peace be with you.**

MEAL

Please sit. OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING There's a Wideness in God's Mercy | arr. Mark Schweizer *The text may be found at Hymn # 587*

Please stand. OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy... until he comes.



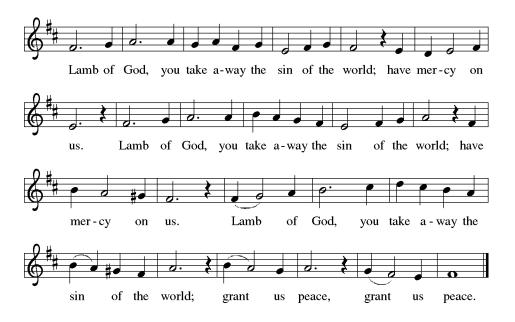
Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER



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THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread*) in our open hands. 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. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. Persons unable to drink wine are encouraged to abstain from the cup and receive Christ in the bread. *Gluten-free bread is available on request.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Sonata in E minor | Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767)

Cantabile Allegro Recitativo Arioso

#620 COMMUNION HYMN How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Please stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

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

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.***#848** RECESSIONAL HYMN Give to Our God Immortal Praise

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE Fanfare | Nicolas Jacques Lemmens

TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

I am not worthy, Master and Lord, that you should come beneath the roof of my soul: yet since you in your love toward all wish to dwell in me, in boldness I come. You command, open the gates-which you alone have forged; and you will come in with love toward all as is your nature; you will come in and enlighten my darkened reason. I believe that you will do this: for you did not send away the harlot that came to you with tears; nor cast out the repentant publican; nor reject the thief who acknowledged your kingdom; nor forsake the repentant persecutor, a yet greater act; but all of those who came to you in repentance, were counted in the band of your friends, who alone abide blessed forever, now, and unto the endless ages.

John Chrysostom (344-407)

SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER	Pastor Brad Pohlman
PREACHER	Rev. Seminarian Laura Frost
ORGANIST	Andrew Schaeffer
ACOLYTES	Julia Neitzl, Alex Thiele
ASSISTING MINISTER	Margaret Miner
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CRUCIFER	Randy Burmeister
LECTOR	Janelle Allen
SACRISTAN	Cynthia Vander Woude
AUDIO	Dave Heins
VIDEO	Lee Powell
USHERS	Phyllis Pleuss, Jim Nelson

We welcome seminary student and LM member Laura Frost as our guest preacher this morning. Laura is currently at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago and will soon be starting her internship year.

We welcome new members today: Alan & Margaret Korz, Jerry Guenther, Ken Sosinski, Chuck Hilston and Andy Goetz.

Our thanks to Bonnie Gruber for her musical offering this morning.

Today we remember the inurnment of William Bopf in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read his page in the memory books.

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