



3rd Sunday after Pentecost
We Trust in God's Forgiveness

June 7 & 10, 2018

ZION

LUTHERAN



In the name of our Lord Jesus, welcome! We pray that within our church you will find the quiet assurance of God's presence, the warmth of Christian fellowship, and the abiding truth of God's Word. Come worship with us again!

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- **Contact:** Our pastors and principal are always happy to serve you. Contact information is provided below.
- Out of respect for God and your fellow worshipers, please remember to silence your cell phone.
- Please be considerate of people who are meditating in the sanctuary before the service begins.

SERVING TODAY

Preaching	Pastor Robert Wilke
Presiding	Pastor Robert Wilke
Organist.....	Kristine Kehl
Ushers(8:00)	Jim Greiling, Matt Greiling, Nicholas Arndt, Mark Hintz, John Brey, Bob Marousek
Ushers(10:30)	Bruce Zander, Kurt Zander, Kane Browskowski, Wyatt Browskowski, Bradley Sennhenn, Neal Sennhenn, Mike Sommer
Greeters(8:00).....	Bill & Merle Nehmer
Greeters(10:30).....	Bev Harold and Nicole Henning
Video	Phil Manteufel

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MORNING PRAISE

OPENING HYMN

Lord, to You I Make Confession | CW 302

Minister: In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice.

Congregation: **In the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.**

M: We do not make requests of you because we are righteous,

C: **but because of your great mercy.**

M: May the favor of the Lord our God rest upon us;

C: **establish the work of our hands for us- yes, establish the work of our hands.**

M: Let me live that I may praise you,

C: **and may your laws sustain me.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you;

C: **God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.**

M: If we claim to have fellowship with him, yet walk in the darkness,

C: **we lie and do not live by the truth.**

M: If we claim to be without sin,

C: **we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.**

M: Lord God Almighty, we stand in violation of your holy will.

C: **Father, I have sinned against you and am no longer worthy to be called your child.**

Yet, in mercy you sacrificed your only Son to purge away my guilt. For his sake, O God, be merciful to me, a sinner, and in the joy of your Holy Spirit, let me serve you all my days.

ABSOLUTION

M: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Upon this, your confession, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

M: Lord God, you are compassionate and gracious,

C: **slow to anger, and abounding in love.**

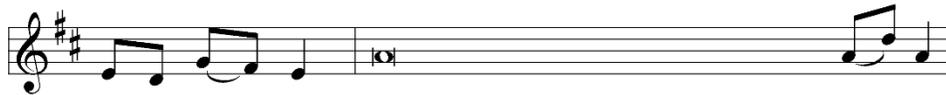
M: Fill us with the peace of your forgiveness

C: **so that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Amen.**

VENITE



C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of



our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv - ing,



let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a



great God and a great king a-bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are



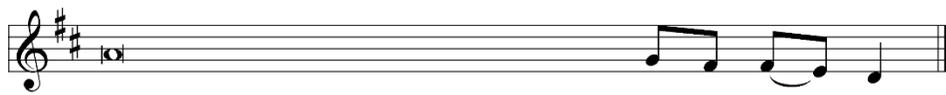
in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he



made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and



bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God,



and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:8-15 | NIV

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”

¹⁰ He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.”

¹¹ And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”

¹² The man said, “The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

¹⁴ So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this,

“Cursed are you above all livestock
and all wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.

¹⁵ And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 51a



Have mercy on me, O God,*
according to your unfailing love.

Wash away all my iniquity,*
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,*
and my sin is always before me.

Refrain

Against you, you only, have I sinned*
and done what is evil in your sight.

Surely I was sinful at birth,*
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face from my sins,*
and blot out all my iniquity.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 20:1-6 | NIV

And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. ² He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. ³ He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.

⁴ I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. ⁵ (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 3:20-35 | NIV

Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. ²¹ When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

²² And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

²³ So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. ²⁷ In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house. ²⁸ Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

³⁰ He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit."

³¹ Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

³³ "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

³⁴ Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

SERMON

The Crushing Power of God's Love | Genesis 3:8-15WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD | *Te Deum*

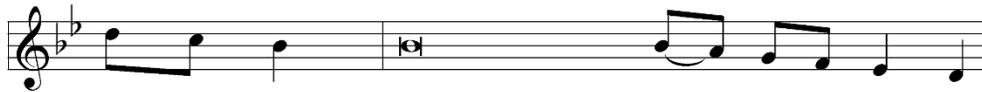
C: We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord; all creation worships you,



Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing. To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,



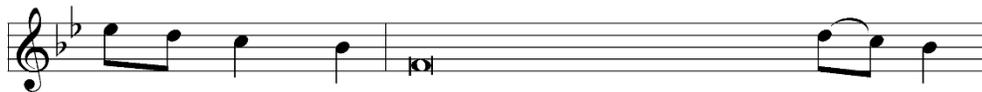
cherubim and seraphim, sing in end-less praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of



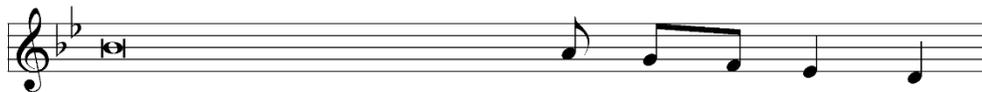
heav'n - ly hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.



The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of



proph - ets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.



Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:



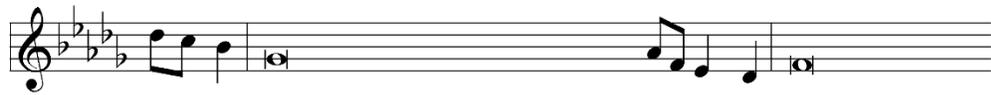
Father of majesty unbounded, your glorious, true, and on - ly Son,



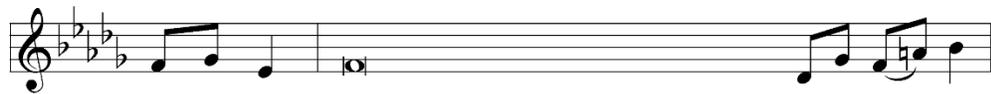
and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide. You, Christ, are the King of



glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther. When you became man to



set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin. You overcame the



sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.



You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Fa - ther.



We believe that you will come to be our judge.



Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple, bought with the price of



your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

M: Our God, by your Spirit teach us carefully and deliberately to weigh in our hearts the matter of Christian giving that our gifts ever reflect the great debt of love we owe you. Forgive us where we fail in our duties as Christian stewards, keeping for ourselves what we ought to give. Help our offerings and gifts to be such as are pleasing to you. For Jesus' sake we ask this.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: With the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption, so let us pray to the God who sent his Son to bind Satan and plunder his house to save us.

Brief silence

For all the baptized, that the Holy Spirit would free us from the fear that would have us hide from God and blame others when called to account. Give us grace to confess our iniquity, ask for God's mercy and trust his plentiful redemption, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For thankful lives, that the Holy Spirit would fill our hearts with gratitude and our mouths with praise that our heavenly Father has kept his promise to send the woman's seed to crush Satan's head and because our Savior allowed his heel to be bruised on his cross, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For those who blaspheme and live without the comfort of faith in Christ, that they would turn from their rebellion; that God's grace would extend to more and more people; that the Holy Spirit would give each of us zeal to proclaim his promises; and that missionaries and their families would be kept under God's protecting care, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For all who suffer for confessing Christ, that they would not lose heart but rejoice that though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day; and that our earthly afflictions are preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For all marriages, that husbands and wives would be preserved in chastity and freely share the forgiveness that is ours in Christ with one another, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For those preparing to work in God's kingdom, that our heavenly Father would nurture the faith of every future pastor, teacher and church worker; that he would equip them with everything they will need to serve in Christ's Church; and that the Lord of the harvest would continue to raise up workers for his harvest fields, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For those who have fallen asleep in the saving faith, let us give God our thanks and praise, asking him to bring us with them to the joy of the feast that has no end, let us pray to the Lord:

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
C: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN

Let Me Be Yours Forever | CW 596

CLOSING PRAYER

M: Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit, lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your countless blessings, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
C: **Amen.**

M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: **Thanks be to God.**

BLESSING

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



C: **A - men.**

CLOSING HYMN

In Adam We Have All Been One | CW 396

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