

✠ Fourth Sunday after Pentecost ✠  
June 21, 2026  
8:15 AM & 10:45 AM



*Gathering People to Christ,  
Building Believers in Christ,  
Serving the World as Christ*



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## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION . . .

The word “Sacrament” means that God is at work here. A Sacrament is an act of God, not just a pious ritual of the Church. What God does here is present us with the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, “in, with, and under” the bread and wine. It is more than just a reminder or a symbol of Christ. It is Christ. And so the proper approach is one of repentance for sin, and trust in God’s promise. “He is truly worthy who has faith in the words: Given and shed *for you*,” as Dr. Luther often said. We ask those who have never communed with us to please speak with the pastor before doing so. Everyone is welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

**Welcome:** Polls tell us that many of us live in fear and struggle with depression. Jesus calls us not to be afraid—not because we have no enemies but because He is stronger than them all. God knows the score—from every bird that falls from the sky to every hair on our head. He has invested His love and mercy in us in Christ and will not turn away from us. This promise is sure. Because of this, we can surrender our fears of being known as His children. Everyone who confesses Him on earth, Christ will confess him before His Father in heaven. From this promise comes the strength to live the new life given to us in our Baptism and to make known what Christ has done by His death and resurrection—for us and for all the world. We are called to judge not by the times but by the promises of God. Neither will He disappoint us nor will He forsake us.

**Assisted Listening Devices:** are available for those who have trouble hearing the service. Please see an usher to use one.

**Communication Cards:** Please fill out the bright yellow communication cards located by the bulletins as you enter. If you are a visitor or your address has changed, please include that in the space provided. Prayer requests for next week may be written on the back.

**Communion Procedure:** Then, ushers will release one side at a time from the middle. The

pulpit side will fill in the front starting at the side closest to the street and fill in all the way to the other wall. The lectern side does the same in reverse—start from the wall closest to the lectern and fill in the entire way across to the other wall. **Grape juice** is in the outer ring and **is lighter** in color than the wine. The **wine is darker** in color. After communing, return to your seat via the *side* aisle. The entire congregation will be dismissed after all have communed. There are baskets for the used communion cups hanging on the outside edge of the first pew. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, alert an usher and the Pastor will bring communion to you.

**Cushions** are available for those who may need them; ask an usher for assistance.

**Nursery Welcomes Your Child:** The church nursery is available during both Sunday worship services and Sunday school for preschool age children and younger. The nursery is staffed with a professional Nanny. It is located to the right as you enter the building, just past the coat room.

**Quiet Room:** The Luther Room (located at the end of the hall to the left as you enter the building) is available for use as a “quiet room.” It is equipped with comfortable chairs and a TV that shows the service.

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**Members and Visitors:** *Please take a moment to fill out the bright yellow Guest & Member Communication Cards and place it in the offering plate at the entrance. Thank You.*

## Prelude

**"Love Lifted Me"**

arr. Patti Drennan

**"Here's One"**

Traditional American Spiritual

arr. Mark Hayes – *"...talk about a child who do love Jesus, here's one."*

## Welcome

*Stand*

## Hymn

**"Come, Thou Almighty King"**

LSB 905 vss. 1–4

## Invocation

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Memory Verse

Psalm 100:1–2

**C** <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with \_\_\_\_\_! Come into His presence with singing!

## Confession and Absolution

Psalm 25:7, 18

**P** Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD!

**C** Consider my affliction and my trouble and forgive all my sins.

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C** I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness. Deliver according to Your mercy and grant peace to my heart so that I may serve You with all my mind, body, and soul.

**P** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you. Amen.

## Salutation and Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray. O God, because Your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of Your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in Your eternal love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit***First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7–13**

<sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>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." <sup>11</sup>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. <sup>12</sup>O 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. <sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For He has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Second Reading: Romans 6:12–23**

<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup>What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>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? <sup>17</sup>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, <sup>18</sup>and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>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. <sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now

ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>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. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:5a, 21–33**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

<sup>21</sup>“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all for My name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>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.

<sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>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.

<sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>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. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he  
rose again from the dead. He ascended  
into heaven and sits at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty. From  
thence he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy  
Christian Church, the communion of  
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the

resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

**Children's Message**

Bob Brantsch, DCE

**Hymn**

**"Lord of Our Life"**

**LSB 659, vss. 1-4**

**Sermon**

**No Fear**

**Offering:** We will pass the offering plate to collect your offerings and Guest & Member Communication Cards (yellow sheets). We have three options for online giving available on our website <https://www.gloriadeihudson.org>. Scroll down to the "Online Giving" section and you will see Simply Giving, PayPal, and Venmo.

**Offertory**

**"An Offering"**

**by Jason W. Krug**

*Stand*

**Pastoral Prayers**

**The Prayers of the Church**

**A** Lord of all power and might, deliver Your people from their fears and grant us a clean heart that we may plead our cause before You in confidence of Your mercy.

Lord God, unloose the tongues of Your people that we boldly confess Christ here on earth and be confessed by Him before the Father in heaven. Prosper the work of Your church and defend her against every evil threat. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, keep those whom You have redeemed from falling back into the paths of sin and evil, and raise us up to serve You in holiness and righteousness all our days. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, do not allow the freedom Christ purchased for us by His suffering and death to become our excuse keeping us from serving You as the people of Your promise, doing the good Your Word requires, and avoiding the evil You forbid. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, grant freedom from fear and sorrow to the sick and those who suffer, that trusting in Your mercy, they may know Your healing power and strength and be kept by Your power to everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord, God of power and might, bring an end to the warring of the nations and the violence that makes anxious the hearts of all. Provide for good, wise, and careful leaders who will honor the trust placed in them and allow us to live holy, upright, and peaceful lives. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, send Your love into the homes of Your people that they be places of forgiveness and love. Enable all husbands and wives to fulfill the holy vows in which they were united as one, and bless the children given to their care. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, You well supply us with the fruits of the harvest and the bounty of this good earth. Give us generous hearts that we may help the poor and bring into Your storehouse the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, You set Your Table before us and provide to us the true bread of heaven and cup of salvation in the body and blood of Your Son. Grant that what we may receive with our lips we may keep in holy hearts of faith and bear its good fruits in our lives. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

**A** Lord God, You order our days in Your peace and sustain us to the day when all things shall have their perfect fulfillment. We give You thanks for the faithful who have died and now live in Your nearer presence. Bring us at last with them into everlasting life, and wipe away the tears of those who mourn. Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** **hear our prayer.**

*Silence for meditation.*

**P** All these things, O Lord, and whatever else we need, we trust to Your gracious provision, begging Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
**C** **Amen.**

### **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**

### **Words of Institution**

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

## Proclamation of Christ

—1 Corinthians 11:26 | —Revelation 22:20

**A** As often as we eat of this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## The Peace

**P** The peace ✠ of the Lord be with you always.

**C** And also with you.

Hymn "On Eagles' Wings" LSB 727, vss. 1–4

Hymn "Children of the Heavenly Father" LSB 725 vss. 1–4

Hymn "Abide with Me" LSB 878 vss. 1–6

## Communion Dismissal

Post-Communion Thanksgiving Psalm 106:1

**A** Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

**C** for His steadfast love endures forever!

**A** Almighty and everlasting God, since You have revealed Your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ and in the Word of His truth, keep, we ask You, in safety the works of Your mercy so that Your church, spread throughout all the nations, may be defended against the adversary and may serve You in true faith and persevere in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

—Numbers 6:24–26

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

Memory Verse Psalm 100:1–2

**C** <sup>1</sup> Make a joyful \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with \_\_\_\_\_! Come into His presence with singing!

Hymn "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" LSB 733, vss. 1–6

Postlude "Recessional for a Joyful Day" by Dale Wood

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