Welcome to Pilgrim Lutheran Church Pastor Don Short June 20, 2021 Happy Father's Day

INVOCATION AND CANDLES CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn~~Father Most Holy, ELW #420

Father most holy, merciful, and tender; Jesus, our Savior, with the Father reigning; Spirit of comfort, advocate defender, light never waning.

Trinity blessed, unity unshaken; Goodness unbounded, very God of heaven, Light of the angels, joy of those forsaken, Hope of all living. Make of all things, all thy creatures praise thee; All for thy worship were and are created; Now as we also worship thee devoutly, Hear thou our voices.

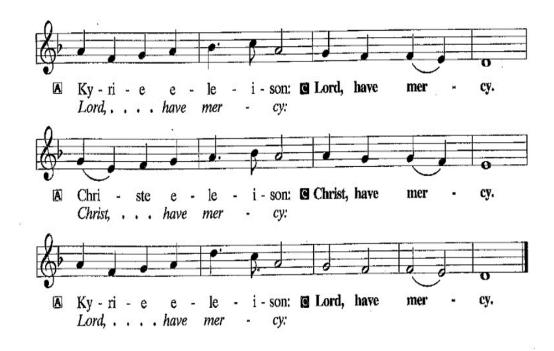
Lord God Almighty, unto thee be glory, One in three persons, over all exalted! Glory we offer, praise thee and adore thee, Now and forever.

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

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.



HYMN OF PRAISE

The Hymn of Praise or another appropriate hymn may be sung.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

READINGS

A reading from Job 38:1-11

- ³⁸Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:
- ² 'Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
- ³ Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.
- ⁴ 'Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.
- ⁵ Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?
- ⁶ On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone
- ⁷ when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings* shouted for joy?
- ⁸ 'Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—
- ⁹ when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,
- ¹⁰ and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,
- " and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped"?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Let us read Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 responsively

- O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures for ever.
- ² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble
- ³ and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.²
- ²³ Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;
- ²⁴ they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.
- ²⁵ For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

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- ²⁶ They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity;
- ²⁷ they reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.
- ²⁸ Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress;
- ²⁹ he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.
- ³⁰ Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.
- ³¹ Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
- ³² Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

A reading from 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

As we work together with him,* we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.'

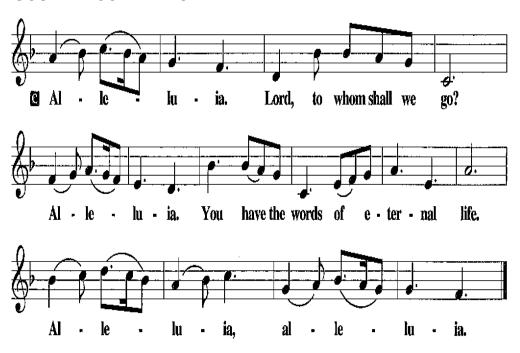
See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

11 We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

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Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to Mark 4:26-34 Glory to you O Lord

- 26 He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'
- 30 He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet 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.'
- 33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

SERMON

Hymn of the Day~~Eternal Father, Strong to Save~~#756

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the rest-less wave, who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard, who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in per-il on the sea.

O Ho-ly Spir-it, who didst brood up-on the cha-os dark and rude, and bid its an-gry tu-mult cease, and give, for wild con-fu-sion peace: oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in per-il on the sea.

O, Trin-i-ty of love and pow'r, all trav-'lers guard in dan-ger's hour from rock and tem-pest, fire and foe, pro-tect them where-so-e'er they go; thus ev-er-more shall rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

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APOSTLE'S 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 THE CHURCH

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERATORY HYMN: "We Are An Offering"

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, We lift our lives up to you: We are an offering.

Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours: We are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: We are an offering, we are an offering.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body of the life of the world.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also 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 God thanks and praise.

... We praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

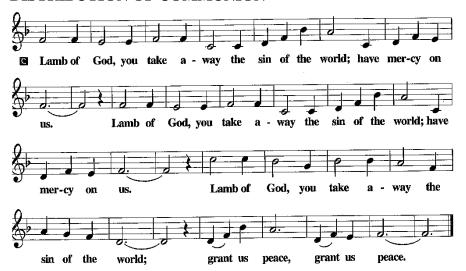
Our Father,

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

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of steadfast love,

At this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION HYMN: "Beloved, Let us Love One Another"

BENEDICTION

May the Lord Bless you and keep you
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you
May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN~~Faith of Our Fathers~~ELW #812

Faith of our fa-thers, liv-ing still in spite of dun-geon, fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy when-e'er we hear that glo-rious word. Faith of our fa-thers, ho-ly faith, we will be true to you till death.

The mar-tyrs, chained in pris-ons dark, were still in heart and con-science free; and blest would be their chil-dren's fate if they, like them, should die for thee. Faith of our fa-thers, ho-ly faith, we will be true to you till death.

Faith of our fa-thers! We will love Both friend and foe in all our strife; pro-claim thee too, as love knows how, by sav-ing word and faith-ful life. Faith of our fa-thers, ho-ly faith, we will be true to you till death.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tomorrow we begin VBS, ya!! A big thank you goes to Marcia for all of her hard work! It will be a fun VBS with the need for lots of helpers. If you can step in and help, even just to guide the kids from one activity to another, that would be wonderful! We start at 3 pm tomorrow and it will run until 5:30. Activities will be outside on the grounds as well as at the parsonage backyard. We pray for a fun and safe VBS.

Secretary Hours: Wednesday-Friday 9-12

THE DISMISSAL

Go in Peace. You are the body of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Lectionary Readings for Next Sunday

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Psalm 123

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

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