

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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ORDER OF WORSHIP: Order of Service Hymns 795 716 623 619 632 673

THIS WEEK AT PEACE AND ENGLISH:

TODAY 11:15 A.M. POTLUCK DINNER AT PEACE

June 6 8:30 a.m. Worship at English

June 6 9:00 a.m. Bible Studies

June 6 10:15 a.m. Worship at Peace

June 7 Vacation Bible School

June 8 No 10:00 a.m. Bible Study

June 8 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at English

June 9 No Noon Bible Study

June 11 6:30 p.m. Bible School Program

HYMN OF THE DAY: In our Gospel reading, Paul calls the afflictions of this life “light and momentary”. How can he say that? Though Paul was well-acquainted with suffering, having received the same scourging that Christ received five times during his life, he was not looking to earthly things, but to his heavenly home. Our hymn of the day, *Jerusalem, My Happy Home*, helps us picture that heavenly home for ourselves. It is a place where sorrows end and joys are found. It is the happy harbor of the saints, where the goodness of God is ever green. It is the dwelling place of the apostles and martyrs, all the Christians who have gone before and all those who will come after us, including our loved ones. It is a place of eternal song and praise to the lamb who has redeemed us. Seen in this light, our earthly afflictions do become light and momentary. More than that, they prepare us for an eternal weight of glory, life with our Savior and all the saints above. Bring us there quickly, O Lord, to Jerusalem, our happy home.

A WORD: In our Old Testament reading, we hear the first promise of salvation. God promises to send a savior, and he says to the serpent, “He will crush your head.” In our Gospel reading, we see that promised savior beginning to crush the head of Satan. Satan is the strong man (Mark 3:27) that Jesus binds. Then Jesus plunders Satan’s possessions by freeing people from his rule. Satan’s destruction has come with the arrival of Christ.

Our epistle reading is the basis for today’s sermon. Paul writes, “So we do not lose heart...For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison.” All of us suffer in life. Suffering can even become a threat to faith, but only when

we take our eyes off Jesus. He has prepared for us a new home, eternal in the heavens. Even though we suffer and die, we know that we will live because of Christ. He will raise us from the dead, and the glory waiting for us in heaven will far surpass any suffering that we may encounter on earth. When we keep our eyes on Jesus, suffering prepares us for heaven by teaching us to long for the glory that is to come. Dear Jesus, keep us steadfast in our faith. Come quickly to bring us home!

ABOUT THE BULLETIN COVER: With divine wisdom, Jesus clearly refutes the scribes’ claims that He has a demon by responding that a house divided against itself cannot stand (Mark 3:25). Jesus has bound the strong man (Satan), who held the world captive to plunder his house. Jesus has taken back what is rightfully His: His created and redeemed people. Jesus has conquered the devil through the cross in order to rescue us from captivity and put us safely in His care.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Ezekiel 17:22-24 2Corinthians 5:1-17
Mark 4:26-34

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR JUNE: June 6-Diane Drenth, June 13-Avis Fick, June 20-Kathy Fick, and June 27-Verla Fick.

HERITAGE DAYS COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE: The Heritage Days Community Church service will be held Sunday, June 20th at Island Park at the shelter house by the swimming pool at 10:30 a.m. Please bring your lawn chairs and enjoy worship with Pastor Keith Vik delivering the message. Music will be provided by Anna Van Aartsen and Anna Warntjes, accompanied by Marilee Schleusner on the clavino. The offering received that morning will be used for Council of Churches expenses which include a helping hand to transients, Baccalaureate service expenses, Heritage Days church service expenses and local benevolence donations as deemed necessary. In case of rain the alternate location for the service is the First Reformed Church.

PARTY AT THE PARSONAGE: Ashlie and I would like to say thank you. Thank you for welcoming us into these churches, and thank you for welcoming us into your homes. We would love to welcome you into ours. We will be having three get-togethers at the parsonage this summer. The first will be June 19th. A sign-up sheet for our June get together is in the fellowship hall. We will be hosting six families at a time. – **Pastor Alex**

ALTAR COMMITTEE: June Altar Committee at Peace is Viola McKenney and Michelle Stewart and at English it is Wanda Wulf.

BLESSINGS SUNDAY: Blessings Sunday will begin on July 11th. Fill the “Blessings” jar with coins or bills in thanks for all the birthday, anniversaries, and other blessings you have received. This will be held the second Sunday of every month and proceeds will go to missions. Daughters of Peace appreciates your generosity in giving to this project.

THIS MONTH Daughters of Peace will collect toilet paper, napkins facial tissue, wet-ones, handi-wipes, etc. for Atlas. Thank you all for your support in our monthly projects.

USHERING TODAY is Team 3; Next Sunday is Team 4: Wayne Ranschau, Brad Vogel, Gary Delfs, Marv Flier, Wayne Jepsen, John Schulte

+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +

HYMN 795: VOICES RAISED TO YOU WE OFFER

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

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Brief Silence for Inward Confession)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT

Psalm 28:7–9; antiphon: v. 6

Blessèd be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

The LORD is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.
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.

Blessèd be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 3:8–15

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.
On your wondrous works, I will meditate,
and I will declare your greatness.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 4:13–18

P This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Psalm 127:1a

Alleluia. Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

After the Reading

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

Mark 3:20–35

and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN 716: I WALK IN DANGER ALL THE WAY

sts. 1–3, 6

SERMON

OFFERTORY

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C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising you and saying:

SANCTUS

LSB 195

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

LORD'S PRAYER

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 623: LORD JESUS CHRIST, WE HUMBLY PRAY

HYMN 619: THY BODY, GIVEN FOR ME, O SAVIOR

DISMISSAL

HYMN 632: O JESUS, BLESSED LORD, TO THEE

THANKSGIVING

LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN 673: JERUSALEM, MY HAPPY HOME

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