

# Christ Lutheran

July 12 & 15, 2020



# Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

## Prelude

## Welcome

Opening Hymn      **"Come, Now Is The Time To Worship"** (Praise Team)  
**"Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun"** LSB 868

## Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

**C: His love endures forever!**

P: O Lord, open my lips

**C: And my mouth will declare Your praise!**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

**C: Make haste to help me, O Lord!**

P: God is a faithful God:

**C: Opening His hands and providing for all we need. Alleluia!**

## Confession and Absolution

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

P: Almighty God...in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **The Old Testament Lesson**

**Isaiah 55:10–13**

“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there but water the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.  
“For you shall go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall break forth into singing,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall make a name for the Lord,  
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **The Epistle Lesson**

**Romans 8:12–17**

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **The Children’s Chat**

## **The Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord

**C: Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia!**

## **The Affirmation of Faith**

## **The 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.

## **The Message Song**

**"Just as I Am"** LSB 570

## **The Message**

**"Good Dirt"**

## **We Go to God in Prayer**

P: Lord, in Your mercy:

**C: Hear our prayer.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C: 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.**

## **The Lord's Supper**

### **The Words of Institution**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

P: The gifts of God for you, God's people.

**C: Amen.**

### **We Ask God's Blessings on This Holy Meal**

P: The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.  
The eyes of all look to You, O Lord, and You give them their food in due season.

**C: We praise You, Father, and ask Your blessings on this meal, for You open Your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing. Amen.**

### **The Sending**

P: Praise be to our God and Father, alleluia!

**C: And to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, alleluia!**

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world!

**C: The Light no darkness can overcome!**

P: Go with us, Lord Jesus.

**C: Shine Your light in us!**

P: Go in peace; serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: Now hear the good words of our Lord...and give you peace.

**C: Amen!**

### **The Closing Song**

**"Our God Is Love"** (Praise Team)

**"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"** LSB 816 (Online)

### **Distribution and Postlude**

**"Come to the Table"** (Praise Team)

***The service is over...the worship begins! Romans 12:1***

## The Hymnal Project

"In early 2017, a group of artists, arrangers, and liturgists, led by Peter Prochnow, were commissioned through the Michigan District, LCMS to create several new hymn arrangements, based on the original music, intended to facilitate enhanced worship in a multitude of modern musical contexts.

The spirit of the project is simple: Hymns are arranged with various instrumentations and made available free of charge, in the form of a lead sheet and reference recording, so whether you learn by reading or by hearing, you can easily implement these arrangements and modify for your context without cost.

We are grateful for the generosity of the donors, Carl and Patsy Fabry, in partnership with the Michigan District, LCMS."

**The hymn videos used during worship can be found here:**

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/6931887>

