

# ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

147 West Forest Street  
Clyde, Ohio

7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 2020

8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

HOLY COMMUNION ~ SETTING ONE



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Kneel or stand. Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## GATHERING SONG

### “Drawn to the Light”

(ELW 593)

- 1 People who walk in darkness have sought  
a light in the heart of the darkest night.  
Just when we thought all would be lost,  
we were drawn to the light of God. (refrain)

#### Refrain

Dawn is in sight! Gone is the night,  
drawn to the light and the morning.  
Glorious and bright, oh, what a sight  
to be drawn to the light of God.

- 2 How can we tell a heaven from hell  
if ev'ryone dwells in the dark of night?  
Morning dispels, gently compels,  
and we're drawn to the light of God. (refrain)
- 3 Where is the sun? Oh, there will be none!  
The Lamb is the one who is shining bright,  
bids us to come! Life has begun  
when we're drawn to the light of God. (refrain)

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; that you may hear our petitions. In all things, help us to ask for what will please you; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## FIRST READING: ISAIAH 44:6-8

<sup>6</sup>Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: “I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. <sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him

declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people. Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen. <sup>8</sup>Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any.”

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: PSALM 119:57-64**

<sup>57</sup>You only are my portion, O Lord;

I have promised to keep your words.

<sup>58</sup>**I entreat you with all my heart,**

**be merciful to me according to your promise.**

<sup>59</sup>I have considered my ways

and turned my feet toward your decrees.

<sup>60</sup>**I hasten and do not tarry**

**to keep your commandments.**

<sup>61</sup>Though the cords of the wicked entangle me,

I do not forget your law.

<sup>62</sup>**At midnight I will rise to give you thanks,**

**because of your righteous judgments.**

<sup>63</sup>I am a companion of all who fear you

and of those who keep your commandments.

<sup>64</sup>**The earth, O Lord, is full of your love;**

**instruct me in your statutes.**

**SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:18-27**

<sup>18</sup>For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

<sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup>And not only the creation, but we ourselves,

who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. <sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43**

L: The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>Jesus put another parable before {the disciples}, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, <sup>25</sup>but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. <sup>27</sup>And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’ <sup>28</sup>He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ <sup>29</sup>But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, “Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”””

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>The field is the world, and the

good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, <sup>42</sup>and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.”

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SONG

### “JESUS, THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU”

(ELW 754)

#### Verse 1

Jesus the very thought of you  
fills us with sweet delight  
But sweeter far your face to view  
And rest within your light

#### Verse 2

Nor voice can sing no heart can frame  
Nor can the mind recall  
A sweeter sound than your blest name  
O Saviour of us all

#### Verse 3

O Hope of every contrite soul  
O Joy of all the meek  
how kind you are to those who fall  
How good to those who seek

**Verse 4**

O Jesus be our joy today  
Help us to prize your love  
Grant us at last to hear you say  
Come share my home above

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**SERMON**

**"HOPE IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING"**

Roman 8:18-27

Pastor Kurt E. Luebke

**THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

## **COMMUNION**

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

**“ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME!” (ELW 634)**

### **Verse 1**

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name

Let angels prostrate fall

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all



**Verse 2**

O seed of Israel's chosen race  
Now ransomed from the fall  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all

**Verse 3**

Hail him you heirs of David's line  
whom David Lord did call  
the God incarnate man divine  
and crown him Lord of all  
the God incarnate man divine  
And crown Him Lord of all

**Verse 4**

Sinners whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall  
Go spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Go spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all

**Verse 5**

Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all

**Verse 6**

O that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all

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## **DISMISSAL**

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

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