

"Know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour." — Luke 12:39-40

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 20, 2025 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

(*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in boldface.)

PRELUDE

"God of Heaven and Earth"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Please take a brief moment to greet those around you)

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER (adapted from Psalm 52)

God will break down the evildoer;

and uproot them from the land.

The righteous will see and laugh saying,

"See the one who would not take refuge in God

but trusted in riches and sought refuge in wealth!"

But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God;

I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.

I will thank you forever, O Lord, because of what you have done. In the presence of the faithful I will proclaim your good name.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jesus, you are the teacher of all good things. You invite disciples into your presence, but we confess how we hesitate. We become easily absorbed in our own concerns and forget to take time to listen to you and learn. We strive to do good things, but forget why, and for whom, we do them. Forgive our impatience, Lord. Bring peace to our busy lives. Provide us the grace and wisdom we need to lay claim to that better part, so we may be prepared to go and do your will.

SILENT PRAYER

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 1:15-28

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

ANTHEM [11:00]

"Consecration"

John Ness Beck

Wayne Tillman – Tenor

Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice and let it sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every power as Thou shalt choose.
Take my will and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.
Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 10:38-42

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Sibling Rivalry"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

What do we believe?

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; 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 PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

*Response: Hymn #606 "Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise him all creatures here below;

praise him above ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #697 "Take My Life" HENDON

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ushers: Kim Smithwick & Susan Lehmann

Greeter: Leslie Claiborne Welcome Table: Eric Lehmann Liturgist: Dave Green

Acolyte: AJ Pendergrass

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