→ Seventh Sunday after Pentecost → July 26–27, 2025

5:00 p.m.; 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

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Silent Prayer Before Worship

O God, the Giver of all good things, teach us to ask of You those things we need for our salvation, that we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

+ Service of Prayer and Preaching +

Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

"We Know That Christ Is Raised" LSB 603

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation 1 John 1:8–9

- **P** 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.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

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- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.

 John 20:19–23
- C Amen.

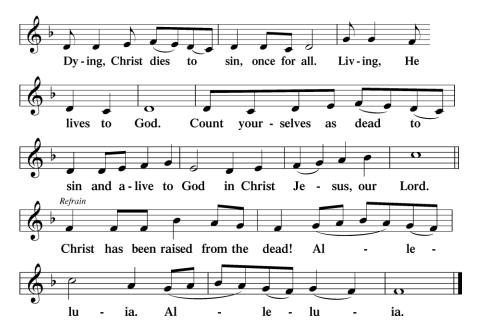
Opening Versicles

LSB 260

- **L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- **L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- **C** Teach me Your paths.
- **L** Sanctify us in Your truth.
- **C** Your Word is truth.
- **L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- **C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- 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.





Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18:20-33

Then the Lord said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to Me. And if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord. Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city. Will You then sweep away the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from You to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered and said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking. Will You destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And He said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to Him and said, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." And the Lord went His way, when He had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

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

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 138

- **P** I give You thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
- **C** before the gods I sing Your praise;
- I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness,
- **G** for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word.
- **P** On the day I called, You answered me;
- my strength of soul You increased.
- P All the kings of the earth shall give You thanks, O Lord,
- for they have heard the words of Your mouth,
- **P** and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
- **C** for great is the glory of the Lord.
- **P** For though the Lord is high, He regards the lowly,
- **C** but the haughty He knows from afar.
- **P** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life;
- You stretch out Your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and Your right hand delivers me.
- **P** The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me;
- Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of Your hands.
- 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.

Epistle Reading

Colossians 2:6–15

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in Him the whole fullness of Deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in Him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised Him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in Him.

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

Holy Gospel Luke 11:1–13

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eleventh chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

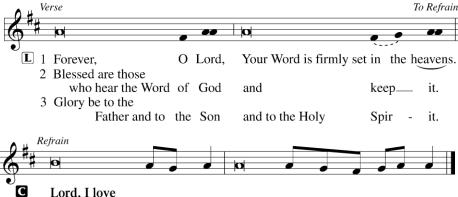
Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." And He said to them, "When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation."

And He said to them, "Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves, for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; and he will answer from within, 'Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything'? I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs. And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Responsory LSB 221



the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

Catechism - Ten Commandments

C You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

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C 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.

(8:00, 11:00) Children's Message

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Hymn of the Day**

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LSB 528

(5:00, 8:00, 9:30) **Sermon**

Offering Hymn

"Praise Be to Christ" LSB 538

Lord's Prayer

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

Prayer of the Church

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- Thanksgiving for the birth of Liam Matthew Torney, son of Sean and Carrie Torney, grandson of Harry and Erin Smelcer (July 14).
- Thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of Rev. David & Lois Mahsman (July 27).
- Thanksgiving for the 34th wedding anniversary of Brian & Denise Oehler (July 27).

- ₽ Jerry Lutz recovering from surgery.
- \$\foating\$ Jen Williams continued healing and full recovery.
- All who mourn the death of Lyndel Hopper, father of Mark Hopper.
- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- P O Lord, let Your merciful ears be attentive to the prayers of Your servants, and by Your Word and Spirit teach us how to pray that our petitions may be pleasing before You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

- P Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

(Saturday) Evening Prayer

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I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

(Sunday) Morning Prayer

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I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

(11:00) Hymn of the Day

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LSB 528

(11:00) **Sermon**

Benedicamus and Blessing

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- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ♥ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn

(Hymn of the Month) "Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay" LSB 505 Stanza 1

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Preacher Liturgist Organist Pastor Thompson (8:00, 11:00) Pastor Wade Kantor Gerhardt

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