



WORSHIP SERVICE
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 11 & 12, 2021

AS WE GATHER:

In today's Readings, Jesus encounters another person possessed by an unclean spirit. The young man's father is distraught and desperate. The father utters these words: "I believe; help my unbelief!" Jesus does help the man's unbelief by healing his son. Jesus helps our unbelief as well in all that He does. In His miracles and teaching, suffering and death, resurrection and ascension, Jesus calls us to faith. And He calls us to be His witnesses.

OPENING PRAYER:

All: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight O LORD, My Strength and My Redeemer. Amen.

HYMN OF INVOCATION:

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

(Please Stand)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: (LSB pg. 184)

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: 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.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,
People: 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.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

(Please Be Seated)

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT: Psalm 31:14-16; antiphon: v. 24

Pastor: Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

People: all you who wait for the LORD!

Pastor: But I trust in you, O LORD;

People: I say, "You are my God."

Pastor: My times are in your hand;

People: rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!

Pastor: Make your face shine on your servant;

People: save me in your steadfast love!

People (sing): **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.**

LSB pg. 186

Pastor: Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

People: all you who wait for the LORD!

KYRIE: (LSB pg. 186)

People (sing): **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS: (LSB pg. 187)

All (sing): **Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People (sing): **And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

All: **Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

People (sing): **Amen.**

+ READINGS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES +

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 50:4-10

Reader: The Old Testament Reading for the 16th Sunday after Pentecost is from Isaiah, chapter 50.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 116:1-9; antiphon: v. 5

Pastor: I love the LORD, because he has heard

People: **my voice and my pleas for mercy.**

Pastor: Because he inclined his ear to me,

People: **therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

Pastor: The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;

People: **I suffered distress and anguish.**

Pastor: Then I called on the name of the LORD:

People: **"O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"**

Pastor: Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;

People: **our God is merciful.**

Pastor: The LORD preserves the simple;

People: when I was brought low, he saved me.
Pastor: Return, O my soul, to your rest;
People: for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.
Pastor: For you have delivered my soul from death,
People: my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;
Pastor: I will walk before the LORD
People: in the land of the living.
People: 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: James 3:1-12
Reader: The Epistle is from James, chapter 3.
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand)

ALLELUIA: (LSB pg. 190)
People(sing): Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 9:14-29
Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.
People(sing): Glory be to Thee, O Lord.
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People(sing): Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED: (LSB pg. 192)
All:

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.

(Please Be Seated)

HYMN OF THE DAY:
LSB # 611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

SERMON: "Vindication " Isaiah 50"4-10

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

People: Amen.

OFFERING:

(Please Stand)

OFFERTORY: (LSB pg. 192)

All (sing): 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: (LSB pg. 193)

Each petition will end with:

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

The final petition will end with:

Leader: trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER: (LSB pg. 196)

All: 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.

(Please Be Seated)

HYMN:

LSB # 849 "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

(Please Stand)

COLLECT:

Pastor: Let us pray.

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 inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS: (LSB pg. 201)

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People (sing): **And with thy spirit.**

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

People (sing): **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTION: (LSB pg. 202)

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

People (sing): **Amen, amen, amen.**

(Please Be Seated)

CLOSING HYMN:

LSB # 918 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

+ *To God Alone Be Glory* +

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE HAS ENDED.
OUR LIVING SERVICE BEGINS.

Participants:

Pastor: Rev. Andrew Cave

Assistant: Deacon Dennis Froemming

Elders (Saturday): Mike Krei – Andy Anderson

Elder (Sunday): Andy Anderson – Gene Schneider

Organist: Dale Nyboer

Altar Guild (Saturday): Jackie Welander

Altar Guild (Sunday): Beverly Mattingley

We welcome you as honored guests or treasured members.
If standing during any portion of the service is a problem,
you may sit / remain seated.

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