

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

The Sixth Sunday After Trinity
Sunday, July 19, 2020

Pastor: Charles Althoff

Our Mission Statement

Lamb of God shares God's love in Jesus with each other,
for our community, and throughout the world.

*Jesus:
Know Him! Follow Him! Share Him!*

Helping with the Service

Organist: Anna White

Soloist: Amy Trosclair

Ushers: 8:00 AM

John Remond

Brian Remond

Justin Remond

10:30 AM

Mike Underwood

Ronda Underwood

Greeters: 8:00 AM

Gwyn Ellermann

10:30 AM

Donna Babin



WELCOME GUESTS!

We are blessed to have you worship with us today! If you are searching for a church home, we would love to have you consider Lamb of God. Please leave your contact information on the *Welcome* form found in your worship folder and we will try to contact you this week.

HOLY COMMUNION

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, also called the Lord's Supper. We believe Jesus makes a wonderful promise to us in this meal. He promises that he is here with his Body and Blood, "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;" in, with, and under the bread and wine. *Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; Corinthians 11:23-26*. This is a mystery we receive by faith. Many of us have found it helpful to reflect on these questions as we prepare our hearts to receive this gift.

As a baptized Christian:

- Do I believe I am a sinner in need of forgiveness?
- Do I believe my heavenly Father sent his Son, Jesus, to die on the cross and rise again for the forgiveness of my sins"?
- Do I trust Jesus' promise "this is my body...this is my blood...given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins"?
- Do I seek strength from Jesus to pattern my life more and more after him and his calling to me?

As the Holy Spirit leads you to answer "yes" to all these questions, Jesus is inviting you to receive this precious gift. Young children and those who prefer to receive a blessing are welcome to come forward and cross their arms as they kneel.

IN THE BIBLE READINGS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE ...

Our Only Hope Is in Christ's Righteousness

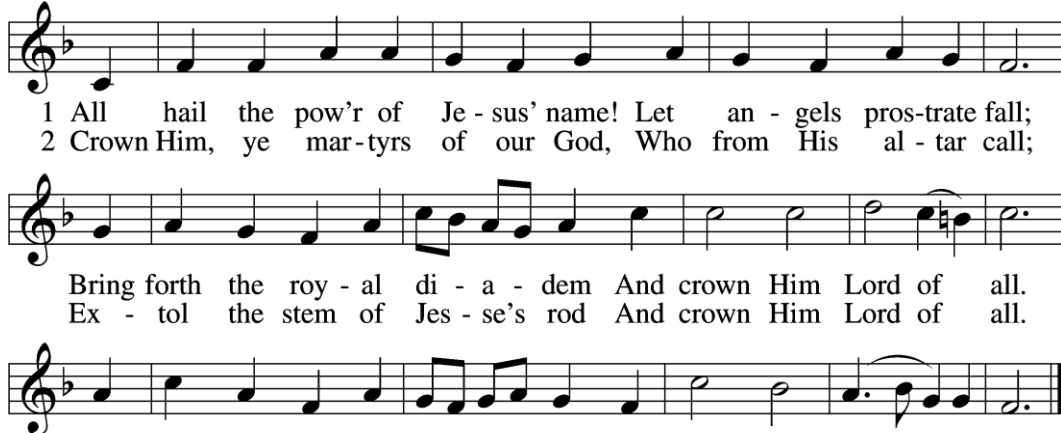
"Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt 5:20). God demands nothing less than perfection and holiness from you in regard to His commandments (Ex. 20:1-17). Your only hope, then, is not in your own goodness but in the goodness of Christ, who did not come to destroy the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them for you. In Christ, your righteousness does indeed exceed that of the scribes and Pharisees. For you have been baptized into Christ's death and your sinful nature crucified. Therefore, he who has died has been freed from sin (Rom. 6:1-11). You are now raised with Christ to walk in newness of life and to share in His resurrection on the Last Day. Christ has brought you through the baptismal sea *"out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery"* (Ex. 20:2). Therefore, *"consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus"* (Rom. 6:11).

Prelude

WELCOME

A HYMN OF PRAISE: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

LSB 549 Stanzas 1 & 2



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;

Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.

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Please stand

INVOCATION

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

Worshippers: Amen

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

EXHORTATION

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,

Worshippers: who made heaven and earth.

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

Worshippers: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

All Worshippers: 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.

ABSOLUTION

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.

Worshippers: Amen.

Please be seated

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD:

The First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

- ¹And God spoke all these words, saying,
²“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³“You shall have no other gods before me.
⁴“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.
⁷“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.
⁸“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.
¹²“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.
¹³“You shall not murder.
¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery.
¹⁵“You shall not steal.
¹⁶“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
¹⁷“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

Leader: This is the word of the Lord

Worshippers: Thanks be to God!

“O Savior, Precious Savior”

soloist – Amy Trosclair

The Second Reading

Romans 6:3-11

³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord

Worshippers: Thanks be to God!

Please stand for the reading from the life of Christ

Reading from the Life of Christ

Matthew 5:17-26

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Worshippers: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷[Jesus said:] “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Worshippers: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH:

Pastor: God has given us a great message to take to His world. Let us remind ourselves and one another of what that message is:

Pastor: I believe in God the Father, Almighty.

Worshippers: Maker of heaven and earth

Pastor: And in His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,

Worshippers: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit

Pastor: Born of the Virgin Mary

Worshippers: Suffered under Pontius Pilate

Pastor: Was crucified, died and was buried.

Worshippers: He descended into hell.

Pastor: On the third day He rose again from the dead,

Worshippers: And ascended into heaven

Pastor: And sits on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty

Worshippers: From there He will come to judge the living and the dead

Pastor: I believe in the Holy Spirit,

Worshippers: The Holy Christian Church,

All: the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Please be seated

THE SERMON HYMN:

Beautiful Savior

LSB 537 Stanzas 1 & 2



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in



God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is



serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.

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THE SERMON:

“An Angry Offering?”

Matthew 5:23

THE GATHERING OF OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

Worshippers: hear our prayer.

WE PREPARE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Worshippers: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Worshippers: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

Worshippers: It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Worshippers: 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PEACE OF THE LORD



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

THE LAMB OF GOD

John 1:29



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness *LSB 636 Stanzas 1 & 2*

1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day - light's
lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
Bless the One whose grace un - bound - ed This a - maz - ing
O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.

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Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord

LSB 637 Stanzas 1 & 2

1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.

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SONG OF SIMEON

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray,

Worshippers: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

Worshippers: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

Worshippers: Amen.

Please be seated

DEPARTING HYMN: I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461 Stanzas 1 & 2

1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com-
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -

this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious

once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Postlude

