



WELCOME TO
ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Pentecost 4

June 21, 2015

June Sermon Series from Mark:

The Reign of God Arrives in Christ

6/7 It Brings Division, But Stands United (Mk. 3:20-35)

6/14 It Starts Small, But Becomes Great (Mark 4:26-34)

6/21 It is Hidden, But Powerful (Mark 4:35-41)

6/28 He Delays, But He Comes (Mark 5:21-43)

A Service of Word and Sacrament

Setting from WS p.12 – Service of Word and Sacrament, Setting 2
TLH (hymns 1-660) is the RED book, WS (hymns 701-800) is the TAN book
(If you have difficulty standing, please feel free to remain seated as needed)

VISITORS: Because Scripture reminds us that those who partake of the “one bread” are “one body” and urges us to “all speak the same thing,” we kindly ask those who are not in fellowship with the CLC first meet with the pastor before communing at the altar. We want to share this blessing with you and to do so on the basis of a united confession. The pastor would be happy to meet with you to explain our teachings and practice. You can read more about our practice of “close communion” in the blue trifold pamphlet in the entry way. Thank you for your understanding. Please do talk with the pastor after the service. (1 Cor. 1:10; 10:16-17; 11:18-29)

Preservice Devotion: Psalm 95, forepart of TLH p.143

OPENING HYMN

TLH 17 (red hymnal)

Oh, Worship the King

INVOCATION

Matthew 28:19

Minister (M) In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congreg. (C) Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M We have come into the presence of God who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

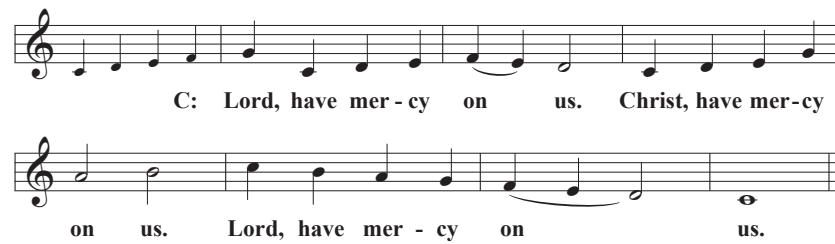
C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, My Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.

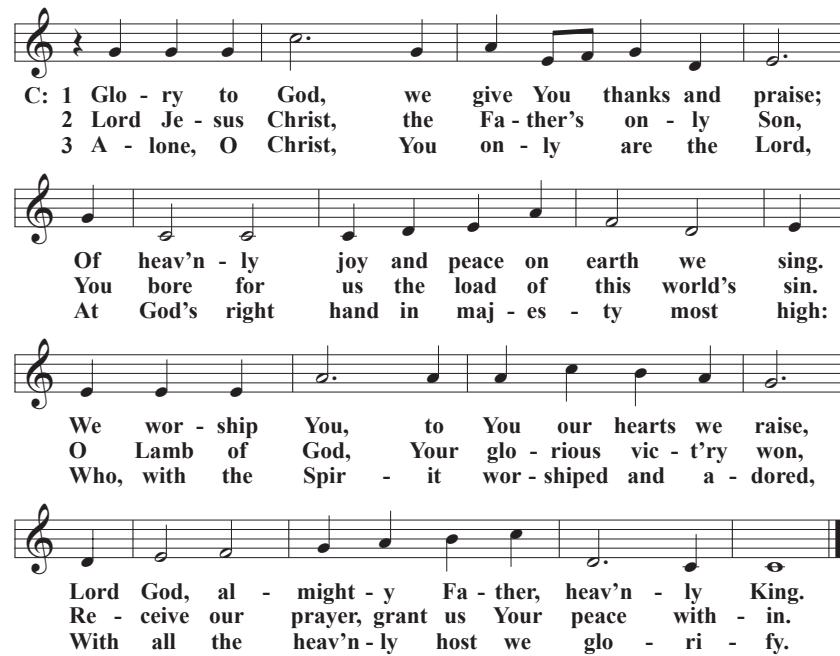
C Amen.

KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ Glory to God in the Highest *Luke 2:14; Revelation 5:8-14*



M The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

M Let us pray, ... one God now and forever,

C Amen

FIRST LESSON

Job 38:1-11

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said:

2 "Who is this who darkens counsel
By words without knowledge?

3 Now prepare yourself like a man;
I will question you, and you shall answer Me.

4 "Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth?
Tell Me, if you have understanding.

5 Who determined its measurements?
Surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶ To what were its foundations fastened?
 Or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷ When the morning stars sang together,
 And all the sons of God shouted for joy?
⁸ “Or *who* shut in the sea with doors,
 When it burst forth *and* issued from the womb;
⁹ When I made the clouds its garment,
 And thick darkness its swaddling band;
¹⁰ When I fixed My limit for it,
 And set bars and doors;
¹¹ When I said,
 ‘This far you may come, but no farther,
 And here your proud waves must stop!’

SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 6:1–13

We then, *as* workers together *with Him* also plead with *you* not to receive the grace of God in vain. ² For He says:

“*In an acceptable time I have heard you,
 And in the day of salvation I have helped you.*”

Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

³ We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed.

⁴ But in all *things* we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, ⁵ in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; ⁶ by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, ⁷ by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, ⁸ by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and *yet* true; ⁹ as unknown, and *yet* well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and *yet* not killed; ¹⁰ as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and *yet* possessing all things.

¹¹ O Corinthians! We have spoken openly to you, our heart is wide open. ¹² You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted by your *own* affections. ¹³ Now in return for the same (I speak as to children), you also be open.

GOSPEL LESSON *rise if able*

Mark 4:35–41

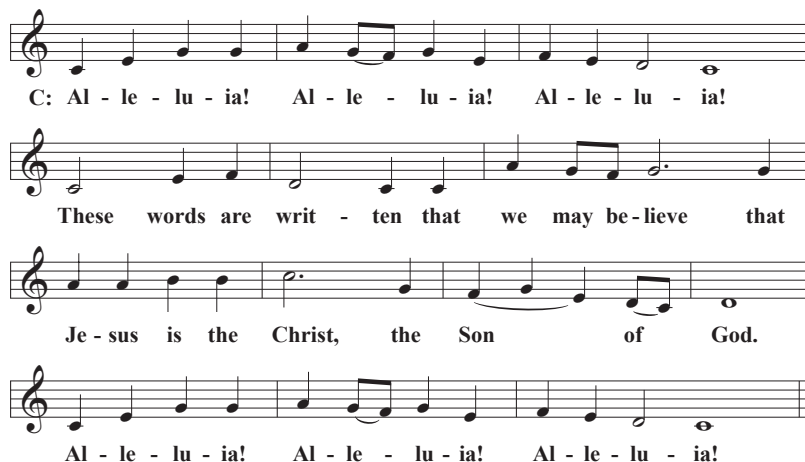
³⁵ On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, “Let us cross over to the other side.” ³⁶ Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. ³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. ³⁸ But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, “Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?”

³⁹ Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace, be still!” And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ But He said to them, “Why are you so fearful? How *is it* that you have no faith?” ⁴¹ And

they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, “Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!”

M Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Luke 11:28



John 20:31

CREED ~ The Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by Whom all things were made;
Who for us men and for our salvation,
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into heaven
and sits on the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead,
Whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified,
Who spoke by the Prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
And I look for the resurrection of the dead
And the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN

WS 743 (tan hymnal)

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

SERMON ~ based on Gospel Lesson

Mark 4:35-41

Jesus Rebukes the Waves and His Disciples

It is Hidden, But Powerful

M The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

OFFERTORY

Psalm 51:10-12



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

HYMN

WS 782 (tan hymnal)

Evening and Morning

GATHERING OF OUR THANK OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C 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!



A Service of the Sacrament



M The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

M Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
[proper preface] ... Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba-oth, a-dored; Heav'n and
earth with full ac-claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -
san - na in the high-est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly
blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matt. 26, Mk 14, Lk 22, 1 Cor. 11

M Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and, when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples saying, 'Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.' In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, 'Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'

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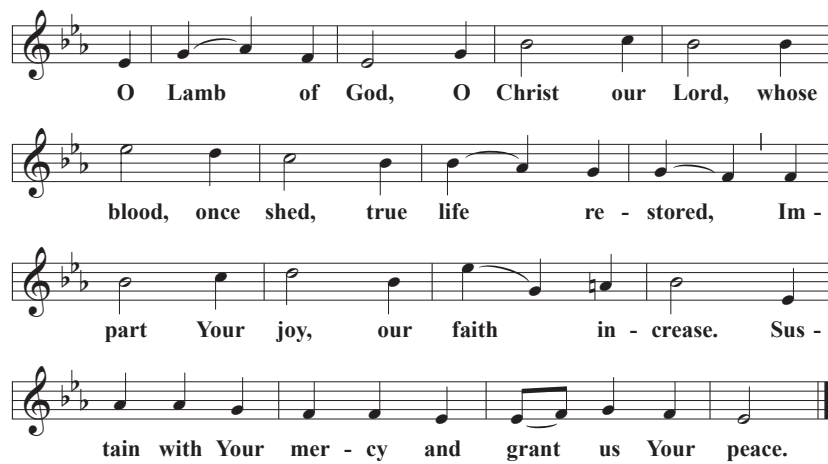
John 20:19

M The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God

John 1:29



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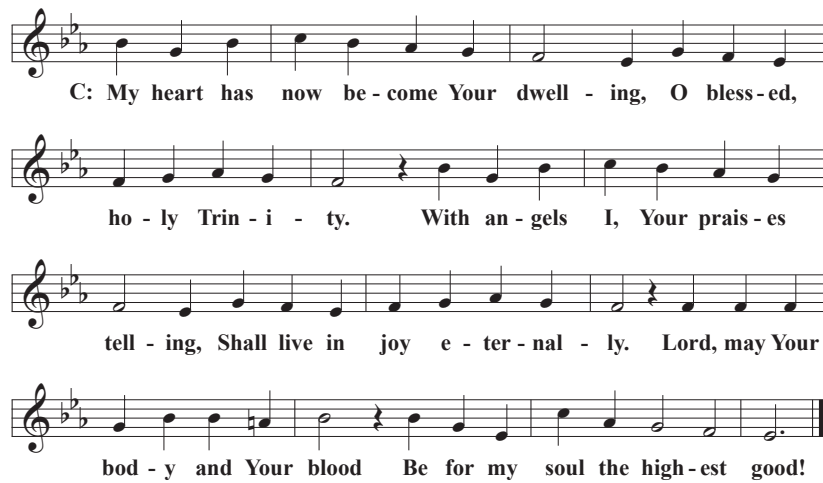
Luke 2:29-32



THANKSGIVING

Luke 7:50; Psalm 100:2

M Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.



BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

M 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.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

WS 761 (tan hymnal)

In You Is Gladness

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Welcome! We wish a warm welcome to our guests this morning. It is our mission to share the good news that God gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him has eternal life (John 3:16-17). May that good news go with you. Feel free to sign our guest book in the entry way. For more information about our church see the visitor comment cards and brochures in the entry way or visit our website at AscensionBatavia.org. We hope to see you again!

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