

Faith Lutheran Church Summer Worship July 3rd 2022

GATHERING

Prelude

Accompanist

Call to worship

Greeting & Prayer Requests

- A: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you!

Gathering Hymn

O Beautiful, for spacious skies

ELW #888

- O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain: America! America! God shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife, who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life:

America! America! May God thy gold refine, till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.

3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears: America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw, confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ⊕ one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C: Amen.

- P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another. (Silence for reflection and self-examination)
- P: Eternal God our creator,
- C: In you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God ⊕ forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

- A: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- A: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- **C:** Lord, have mercy.
- A: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.

Canticle of Praise Glory to God

ELW Pg#139

A: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God & Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

A: The Lord be with you.A: Let us pray.C: And also with you.

C: O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

First Reading:

Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

10Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her11that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

12For thus says the Lord:
I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;
and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees.
13As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

14You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

Psalm

Psalm 66:1-9

All the earth bows down before you and sings out your name. (Ps. 66:4)

¹Be joyful in God, all you lands;

be joyful, all the earth.

²Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.

³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

⁴All the earth bows down before you,

sings to you, sings out your name."

⁵Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.

⁶God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.

⁷Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.

⁸Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.

⁹Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip.

Second Reading

Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

[¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

⁶Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.]

⁷Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

¹¹See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹²It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

L: Holy wisdom, holy word... C: Thanks be to God.

Kids' Time

Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" ELW #172

Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Halle, halle, hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Gospel

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

P: The holy gospel according to Luke C: Glory to you, O Lord.....

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

1After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. 2He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the

laborers are few; therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. 3Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. 7Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'"

16"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

17The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" 18He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. 20Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to

you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

(Response After Reading)

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Lord give you the great commission ELW #579 , vs 1,2,5.

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

 Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word." Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard, help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:

Refrain

With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.

- Lord, you call us to your service:
 "In my name baptize and teach."
 That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each, give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community: *Refrain*
- 5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:
 "I am with you to the end."
 Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity: *Refrain*

Apostles' Creed

- A: Let us confess our faith:
- C: I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, 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 Church.....

A: God of grace, C: hear our prayer.

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Lord of the harvest, you send your church into the world to proclaim Christ's new creation to all. Renew the church as it carries out your mission of peace and healing. We pray for missionaries who accompany your people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your creation abounds with flowing waters and diverse creatures. Guide the work of climate scientists as they develop and advocate ways to restore earth's natural balance. Motivate humankind to adopt lifestyles that protect and sustain the earth. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You guard the nations; let no leaders exalt themselves, but lift up the most vulnerable and work for the good of all. Send your Spirit to eradicate classism and inequity, violence and war, poverty and hunger. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You desire abundant life for all. As we celebrate Independence Day, instill in us gratitude, generosity, and persistence in working toward freedom for all people (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Mothering God, you care for all people in need. Nourish those who are hungry. Restore employment to those who have lost work. Heal those who are sick, and comfort all who are dying or grieving (*especially*). God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We remember the saints who proclaimed your reign on earth and now rest in you (*especially Thomas the Apostle, whom we remember today*). Make us faithful in our witness to Christ's new creation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

Amen.

A: The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared **C:** Offertory

ELW #186 Create in me a clean heart (Guitar Sundays) W&P 34

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Offering Prayer

- P: God of abundance:
- C: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Meal

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

The Lord's Prayer 11:2-4

Matthew 6:9-13 & Luke

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.

Distribution

Communion songs

I love to tell the story

ELW #661

 I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
 I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory and tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

- I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet! I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*
- I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
 And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

What Feast of Love

ELW #487

- What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven? What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given? This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven. Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!
- 2 What light of truth is offered here,

what covenant from heaven? What hope of everlasting life, what wondrous word is given? This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heaven. Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is given!

 What wine of love is offered here, what crimson drink from heaven?
 What stream of everlasting life, what precious blood is given?
 This, this is Christ the king, the sweetest wine of heaven.
 Oh, taste and see and sing!
 The Son of God is given!

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Sending

Blessing

P: May the body and blood of our Lord and savior keep you in his grace.

Post Communion Prayer:

P: Life-giving God,

C: through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Benediction

P: The God of peace,
Father,
→ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,

and show you the path of life this day and always. C: Amen.

Announcements

Sending Song Mine eyes have seen the glory ELW# 890

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: his truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

- 2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat. Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on. *Refrain*
- 3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me. As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, while God is marching on. *Refrain*

Dismissal

A: Go in peace as a ...

All: family of God built on love: Worshiping, welcoming, learning, and serving in Christ's name.

Postlude