

Second Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022 Peace Lutheran Church Hutchinson, MN

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 3

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

¹ LORD, how many are my foes!

How many rise up against me!

² Many are saying of me,

"God will not deliver him."

³ But you, LORD, are a shield around me,
my glory, the One who lifts my head high.

⁴I call out to the LORD, and he answers me from his holy mountain. ⁵I lie down and sleep;

I wake again, because the LORD sustains me.

⁶ I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

⁷ Arise, LORD! Deliver me, my God! Strike all my enemies on the jaw; break the teeth of the wicked.

⁸ From the LORD comes deliverance.

May your blessing be on your people. (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN: This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

CONFESSION

Gracious God, you are the Creator of the ends of the earth, and yet you call us your children. You are greater than we can ever begin to imagine, and yet you invite us to call you "Our Father". Father, You have always loved us: **forgive our feeble response.**

You do not keep us at arm's length, remote in your holiness, but you reach out your hands in love, wanting us to relate to you, one to one. Father, You have always loved us: **forgive our feeble response.**

Gracious God, Forgive us that we call you "Our Father" but fail to live as your children. We do not trust you as we should, preferring instead to follow our own inclinations. We are reluctant to accept your will, repeatedly disobeying your instructions. We are slow to ask your guidance, but swift to forget you and wander from your side. Father, You have always loved us: **forgive our feeble response.**

Gracious God, We have returned your love by acting as spoiled children. Yet, despite our sinfulness, you never give up on us, working instead to draw us closer. You are always there for us, waiting to welcome us back and set us on our feet again. Father, You have always loved us: **forgive our feeble response.**

Gracious God, our Father, we praise and thank you for your undeserved goodness, and we resolve today to live more faithfully as your children. Father, You have always loved us: forgive our feeble response.

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. 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 Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

SONG: Earth And All Stars (Verse 2 written by Gene Ebnet in honor of Water Carnival weekend)

Earth and all stars! Loud rushing planets! Sing to the Lord a new song! Mountains and Lakes, Rivers and Cornfields! Sing to the Lord a new song! He has done marvelous things. I too will praise Him with a new song!

Sunfish and Bass, Crappies and Northern! Sing to the Lord a new song! Walleye and Perch, Catfish and Bullheads! Sing to the Lord a new song! He has done marvelous things. I too will praise Him with a new song!

Bible School Week! Teachers and students! Sing to the Lord a new song! Lessons and games! Singing and crafting! Sing to the Lord a new song! He has done marvelous things. I too will praise Him with a new song!

Children of God, Dying and Rising. Sing to the Lord a new song!

Heaven and Earth, Hosts everlasting, Sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done marvelous things. I too will praise Him with a new song!



10:00am VBS SINGS & Children's Sermon

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 65:1-9

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me.

To a nation that did not call on my name, I said, 'Here am I, here am I.'

² All day long I have held out my hands to an obstinate people,

who walk in ways not good,

pursuing their own imaginations—

³ a people who continually provoke me to my very face,

offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on altars of brick;

⁴ who sit among the graves and spend their nights keeping secret vigil; who eat the flesh of pigs,

and whose pots hold broth of impure meat;

⁵ who say, 'Keep away; don't come near me, for I am too sacred for you!'

Such people are smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that keeps burning all day.

6 "See, it stands written before me:
 I will not keep silent but will pay back in full;
 I will pay it back into their laps—

⁷ both your sins and the sins of your ancestors," says the LORD.

"Because they burned sacrifices on the mountains and defied me on the hills,

I will measure into their laps

the full payment for their former deeds."

⁸ This is what the LORD says:

"As when juice is still found in a cluster of grapes and people say, 'Don't destroy it, there is still a blessing in it,'

so will I do in behalf of my servants;

I will not destroy them all.

⁹ I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah those who will possess my mountains;

my chosen people will inherit them,

and there will my servants live. (NIV)

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EPISTLE READING: Galatians 3:23-4:7

²³ Before the coming of this faith, we were held in custody under the law, locked up until the faith that was to come would be revealed. ²⁴ So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian.

²⁶ So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. What I am saying is that as long as an heir is underage, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. ² The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. ³ So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world.

⁴ But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. ⁶ Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir. (NIV)

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)
Thy Word is a path to follow, a light to show the way.
Thy Word is a path to follow, a light to show the way.
Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (repeat)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 8:26-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8th chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶ They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷ When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" ²⁹ For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

"Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him. ³¹ And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

³² A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission.³³ When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, ³⁵ and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. ³⁷ Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

³⁰ Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him. (NIV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN 461 (Maroon) / 127 (AGPS): I Know that My Redeemer Lives, verses 1, 2 and 8.

MESSAGE The Truth Pastor Fuchs

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

8:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

SONG: 198 Agnus Dei

HYMN 537 (Maroon): Beautiful Savior

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

6:30pm HYMN 537 (Maroon): Beautiful Savior

10:00am SONG: This Little Light of Mine

- 1. This Little Light of Mine, I'm gonna let it shine...
- 2. Hide it under a bucket? No! I'm gonna let it shine...
- 3. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine...

