



Mary and
Martha

July 17, 2022
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Peace Lutheran Church
Hutchinson, MN

Prelude: Beach Spring, arr. White, Karen Van Wert, soloist

INVOCATION & CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 27)

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

¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation—
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—
of whom shall I be afraid?

² **When the wicked advance against me to devour me,
it is my enemies and my foes
who will stumble and fall.**

³ Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear;
though war break out against me, even then I will be confident.

⁴ **One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the LORD
and to seek him in his temple.**

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

HYMN 817 (Maroon) / 90 (AGPS): Earth and All Stars

CONFESSION

God of great expectations, you know how easy it is for us to make excuses. We love to run and hide when a task is set before us. We look at the expectation and think that we don't have the abilities, strength, or wisdom to accomplish this task. Too often, we think that we are doing these things all by ourselves. And we feel sorry for ourselves.

Forgive our ignorance and our stubbornness, O Lord. Help us to understand that the opportunities for service that You offer to us also come with your abiding presence, love and support. It is your love which makes the impossible possible. Forgive us and place us on the path of joyful service.

Even before we were born, God knew us. God has always been with us. Place your trust in God's presence and forgiving love. 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.**

HYMN 712 (Maroon) / 207 (AGPS): Seek Ye First



Readers: 6:30pm Bev Luke; 8:30am Hazel Sitz; 10:00am Mary Haag (Gospel reading)

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 18:1-10

The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ² Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³ He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵ Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant."

"Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread."

⁷ Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸ He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹ "Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him.

"There, in the tent," he said.

¹⁰ Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son." (NIV)

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EPISTLE READING: Colossians 1:21-29

²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— ²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

²⁴ Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. ²⁵ I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— ²⁶ the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. ²⁷ To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

²⁸ He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. ²⁹ To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me. (NIV)

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

▲ GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, 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. Alleluia. (repeat)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³⁸ As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. ³⁹ She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

⁴¹ "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." (NIV)

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

HYMN 861 (Maroon) / HYMN 81 (AGPS): Christ Be My Leader

SERMON

"Be Reconciled" 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

Special Music: Be Still, My Soul, arr. Anderson, Karen Van Wert, soloist

PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Be still
and know
that I am
God*
-PSALM 46:10



8:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

SONG: Agnus Dei, page 198

HYMN 611 (Maroon): Chief of Sinners Though I Be

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.**

ALL SERVICES: HYMN 918 (Maroon): Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer

**1 Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.**

**2 Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar, Lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.**

Postlude: Toccata from Symphony No. 5, Charles Marie Widor

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