

Second Sunday after Pentecost June 22, 2025 Peace Lutheran Church Hutchinson, MN

HYMN 790 (Maroon): Praise to the Lord, the Almighty SONG: Come People of the Risen King

#### **INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 3**

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

<sup>1</sup> LORD, how many are my foes!

How many rise up against me!

<sup>2</sup> Many are saying of me,

"God will not deliver him."

<sup>3</sup> But you, LORD, are a shield around me,

my glory, the One who lifts my head high.

<sup>4</sup>I call out to the LORD, and he answers me from his holy mountain. <sup>5</sup>I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the LORD sustains me. <sup>6</sup>I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

<sup>7</sup> Arise, LORD!

Deliver me, my God!

Strike all my enemies on the jaw;
break the teeth of the wicked.

<sup>8</sup> From the LORD comes deliverance.

May your blessing be on your people. (NIV)

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

#### **CONFESSION**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Loving Father, we confess that we are not able to earn your favor through our own efforts. We acknowledge that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and that we have fallen short of your glory. We recognize that we are sinners, unable to live up to your perfect standards.

But we also know that through faith in Jesus Christ, you have offered us grace and forgiveness. We thank you for sending your Son to die for our sins, and for offering us a way to be made right with you.

With humbled hearts, we ask for your forgiveness and your grace. May we be transformed by your Spirit to walk in newness of life, living in obedience to your will. Help us to live by faith in you, and not by any works of our own. We cling to the hope and promise of your love, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I 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. **Amen.** 

## **SONG:** His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many, His mercy is more Praise the Lord, His mercy is more Stronger than darkness, new every morn Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Readers: 6:30pm Joanne Keilen; 8:30am John Lietz; 10:30am Anita Miller

## 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.' <sup>2</sup> All day long I have held out my hands to an obstinate people, who walk in ways not good, pursuing their own imaginations— <sup>3</sup> a people who continually provoke me to my very face, offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on altars of brick; <sup>4</sup> 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; <sup>5</sup> 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. <sup>6</sup> "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— <sup>7</sup>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."

<sup>8</sup>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.

<sup>9</sup> 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

<sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> So the law was our guardian until Christ came that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> Now that this faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian.

<sup>26</sup> So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, <sup>27</sup> for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> The heir is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. <sup>3</sup> So also, when we were underage, we were in slavery under the elemental spiritual forces of the world. <sup>4</sup> But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup> to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. <sup>6</sup> Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." <sup>7</sup> 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.

# 6:30pm & 8:30am A GOSPEL 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. (repeat)

10:30am SONG: Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

## **GOSPEL READING:** Luke 8:26-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter. **Glory to You, O Lord.** 

<sup>26</sup> They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. <sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> 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!" <sup>29</sup> 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.

<sup>30</sup> Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

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

<sup>32</sup> 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.<sup>33</sup> 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.

<sup>34</sup> When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, <sup>35</sup> 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. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. <sup>37</sup> 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.

<sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> "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

## Children's Message

HYMN: Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

Is printed on pages 6-7

MESSAGE "What happened to Justus – The one not chosen" Pastor Miller

#### **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.

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Please sign the friendship pad in the pew and pass it along to others. As it is passed back to the center aisle, please take the opportunity to note the names of others seated in your pew.

## PRAYERS & THE LORD'S PRAYER

10:30am SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT SONG: Jesus, Strong and Kind

## **BENEDICTION** (inspired by Galatians 2:15-21)

When you go out into this world to serve God's mission, remember that it is no longer you who live, but Christ who lives in you.

The life you now live in the flesh you live by faith in the Son of God who loves you and gave himself for you.

May the grace of God which daily renews you, and the love of Jesus that enables you to love all others, and the community of the Holy Spirit that unites you all into one body enable and empower you to obey the will of God, now and forever. Amen.

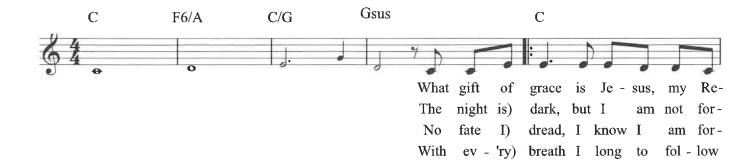
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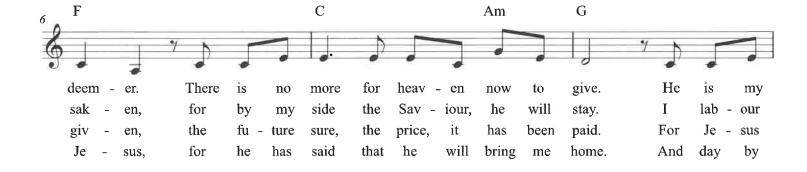


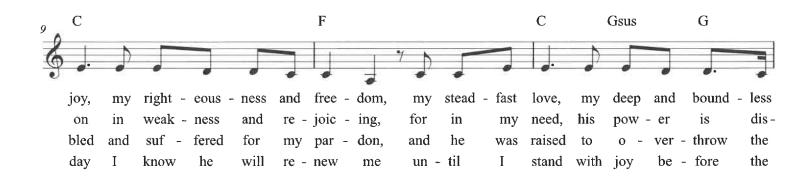
# Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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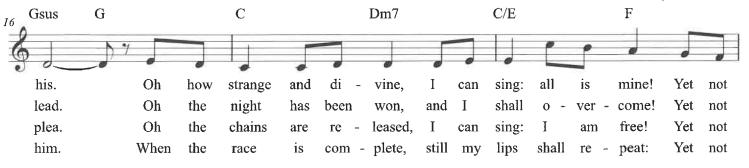
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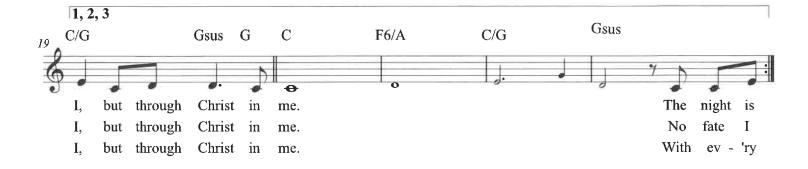














I, but through Christ in me. When the race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not



