## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022



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**PRELUDE:** Rise, Shine, You People! (ELW 665); Oh, Praise the Gracious Power (ELW 651); Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (ELW 807); Teach Me to Walk in the Light (Marsha Sisco), played by Mayuko Takagi

## **WELCOME**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

#### Amen.

Welcome to worship on this 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost! On this Father's Day, we gather on the ancestral and traditional land of Algonquin and Anishinaabe. The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God, gathering in the building and online.

## **HYMN:** When Long Before Time (ELW 861)

- 1. When long before time and the worlds were begun, when there was no earth and no sky and no sun, and all was deep silence and night reigned supreme, and even our Maker had only a dream--
- 2. The silence was broken when God sang the Song, and light pierced the darkness and rhythm began, and with its first birth-cries creation was born, and creaturely voices sang praise to the morn.
- 3. The sounds of the creatures were one with their Lord's, their harmonies sweet and befitting the Word; the Singer was pleased as the earth sang the Song, the choir of the creatures reechoed it long.
- 4. Though down through the ages the Song disappeared, its harmonies broken and almost unheard, the Singer comes to us to sing it again, our God-is-with-us in the world now as then.
- 5. The Light has returned as it came once before, the Song of the Lord is our own song once more, so let us all sing with one heart and one voice the Song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.
- 6. To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise, to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise, to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath, be glory for ever, through life and through death.

## **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you. **And also with you.** 

**KYRIE:** ELW p. 203 (sung)

- 1. Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer. We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.
- 2. Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.
- 3. Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart. Renew us with your saving pow'r; create in us new hearts!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## **READING: 1 Kings 19:1-15a**

A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Kings chapter 19:

<sup>1</sup>Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." <sup>3</sup>Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

<sup>4</sup>But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup>He

looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." <sup>8</sup>He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <sup>9</sup>At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>10</sup>He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

11He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup>and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. <sup>13</sup>When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" <sup>14</sup>He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." <sup>15a</sup>Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.** 

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

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

<sup>26</sup>Then Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup>As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup>When he saw Jesus, he fell

down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—<sup>29</sup> for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup>Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup>Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup>When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup>Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. <sup>36</sup>Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. <sup>37</sup>Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. <sup>38</sup>The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup>"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.** 

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** One Bread One Body (ELW 496)

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless, and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. *Refrain*
- 2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. *Refrain*
- 3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. *Refrain*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

Holy God, you hear the cries of those who seek you. Equip your Body—the church—with members who reveal to others the continuous call of your outstretched hands and your promises of a home in you. We pray for our children and youth. May they find a place that is safe for them to be with others who love them as they are.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

You hear the cries of the earth. Restore places where land, air, and waterways have been harmed. Guide us to develop and implement sources of energy and food production that do not destroy the earth.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

You hear the cries of those who are marginalized or cast out. Guide us continually toward the end of oppression in all its forms, in war-torn places like Ukraine, and here in our home country where Blacks, Indigenous and people of colour continue to suffer from racism. Bring true freedom and human flourishing to all your beloved children on this land.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

You hear the cries of those who suffer. Come to the aid of all who are homeless, naked, hungry, and sick; especially for Sylvia, Lyndon, Yvonne, Jennifer and Cindy, Bowen, Bettina, Luke, Cecily, Eleanor, Marie, Ken and Engel. Bring peace to any experiencing mental illness, that they can clearly recognize your loving presence.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

You hear the cries of those who celebrate, and those who grieve on this Father's Day. Nurture mutual love and tender care in all relationships. Comfort those for whom this day brings sadness or longing. Especially the DeGraaff family who remembers a loving husband and father, Bill, this coming Saturday at his funeral.

God of grace, hear our prayer.

You hear the cries of those who celebrate their birthdays this week. We give thanks for Leslie Milton, Mark Quenneville and Patrick Koch. Give them joy in the gift of life.

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.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

GATHERING OF THE GIFTS (For those gathering in person, a basket/offering plate is left near the doors of the sanctuary for you to offer your gift as you leave; for those watching online, you are welcome to support the ministry of Faith Lutheran Church by clicking on the 'donate' button at our website or mailing your cheque to the church address. Thank you.)

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

God of abundance: 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.

#### HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(ELW p. 207)

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

#### DISTRIBUTION

In Christ's presence there is fullness of peace and joy. These are the gifts of God for the whole people of God. **Thanks be to God.** 

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN:** How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds (ELW 620)

- How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away all fear.
- 2. It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the heart's unrest; 'tis manna to the hungry soul and to the weary, rest.
- 3. Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place; my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.
- 4. By thee my prayers acceptance gain although with sin defiled.

  The devil charges me in vain, and I am owned a child.
- 5. O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend, my prophet, priest, and king, my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.

- 6. How weak the effort of my heart, how cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.
- 7. Till then I would thy love proclaim with every fleeting breath; and may the music of thy name refresh my soul in death!

## **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

**SENDING HYMN**: *Oh for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* (ELW 886)

- 1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- 3. The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

- 4. He speaks, and list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.
- 5. Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6. To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### FINAL BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbour.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE:** Father, Thy Children to Thee Now Raise (Dorothy Gregory Killpack) played by Mayuko Takagi

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