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June 9, 2024 Third Sunday after Pentecost Introduction to Worship

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

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Prelude:

GATHERING

(Stand if you are able)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.
- C: Amen.
- P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P: God, our provider,
- C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.
- P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, + the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
- C: Amen.



Gathering Hymn: ELW 705

God of Grace and God of Glory



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969

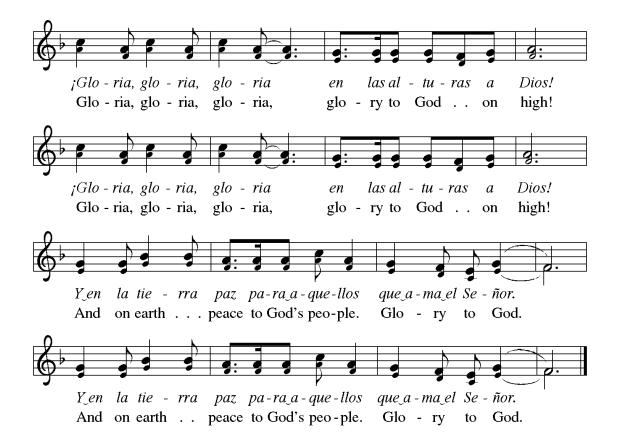
Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and the community of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you



CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Prayer of the Day

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

(Please be Seated)

First Reading- Genesis 3:8-15

Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

L: A reading from the third chapter of Genesis.

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said

to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 130

L: ¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

C: ²LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

L: ³If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, LORD, who could stand?

C: ⁴But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

L: ⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

C: ⁶my soul waits for the LORD more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

L: ⁷O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

C: 8It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

L: A reading from the fourth chapter of 2 Corinthians:

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

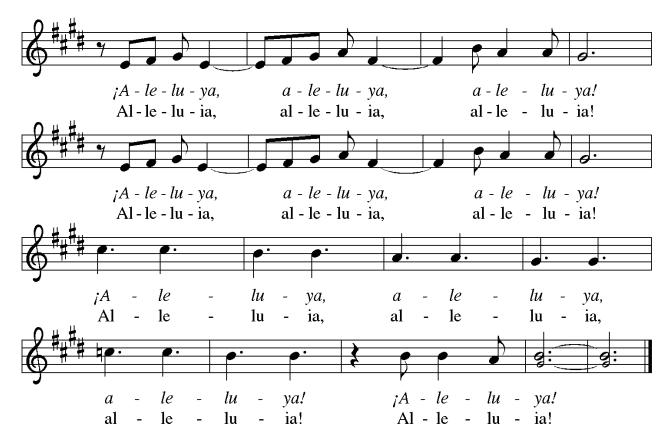
¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:



The Gospel - Mark 3:20-35

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demonpossessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.

P: The holy gospel according to Mark, the third chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ²⁰⁻²¹ Jesus came home and, as usual, a crowd gathered—so many making demands on him that there wasn't even time to eat. His friends heard what was going on and went to rescue him, by force if necessary. They suspected he was believing his own press.

²²⁻²⁷ The religion scholars from Jerusalem came down spreading rumors that he was working black magic, using devil tricks to impress them with spiritual power. Jesus confronted their slander with a story: "Does it make sense to send a devil to catch a devil, to use Satan to get rid of Satan? A constantly squabbling family disintegrates. If Satan were fighting Satan, there soon wouldn't be any Satan left. Do you think it's possible in broad daylight to enter the house of an awake, able-bodied man, and walk off with his possessions unless you tie him up first? Tie him up, though, and you can clean him out.

²⁸⁻³⁰ "Listen to this carefully. I'm warning you. There's nothing done or said that can't be forgiven. But if you persist in your slanders against God's Holy Spirit, you are repudiating the very One who forgives, sawing off the branch on which you're sitting, severing by your own perversity all connection with the One who forgives." He gave this warning because they were accusing him of being in league with Evil.

³¹⁻³² Just then his mother and brothers showed up. Standing outside, they relayed a message that they wanted a word with him. He was surrounded by the crowd when he was given the message, "Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside looking for you."

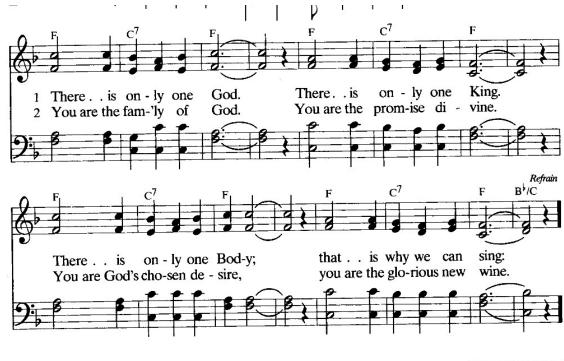
³³⁻³⁵ Jesus responded, "Who do you think are my mother and brothers?" Looking around, taking in everyone seated around him, he said, "Right here, right in front of you—my mother and my brothers. Obedience is thicker than blood. The person who obeys God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon / Sermon (please be seated)





Text: Bob Gillman, b. 1946 Music: Bob Gillman, b. 1946

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BIND US TOGETHER 6776 and refrain

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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 INTERCESSION

- P: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

 A brief silence.
- P: You reawaken our hearts to your mercy. We give you thanks for renewers of the church in every age. Enliven the creativity and persistence of all seeking to transform the church into a closer vision of your beloved community. Merciful God,
- C: receive our prayer.
- P: Your presence is revealed in the shade of trees, the growth of seeds into flowers, and in the blessing of plants granting food in their right season. Heal lands scarred by deforestation, pollution, or infestation. Teach us to cultivate the earth with respect and reverence. Merciful God,
- C: receive our prayer.

P: Our nations and communities are divided, O God. Teach us again to listen with curiosity and mercy, even in disagreement. Grant us the humility to acknowledge our hardness of heart and make us bold in modeling cooperation for the sake of the common good. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Hear the prayers of all who cry out to you from the depths of fear, despair, or hopelessness (especially). With haste, rescue victims of trafficking, exploitation, and abuse, and bless organizations and individuals who work on their behalf. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Grant wisdom and clarity to all who are in seasons of discernment and transition: high school graduates preparing for first jobs or new educational journeys, those who are shifting careers, and those who are navigating changes in their relationships. Accompany them with your peace. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Praise to you for our ancestors in faith who believed, spoke, and lived in you, Give us confidence that as Jesus was raised, so we too will be raised, with all the saints, into your everlasting presence. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

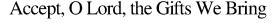
Sharing of the Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

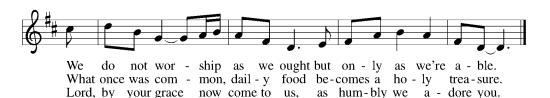
OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS





- 1 Ac cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up on your ta ble. 2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea-sure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be fore you.



Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, b. 1957 Music: BARBARA ALLEN, English folk tune Text © 1990 Augsburg Fortress

Offering Prayer

P: Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

C: Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

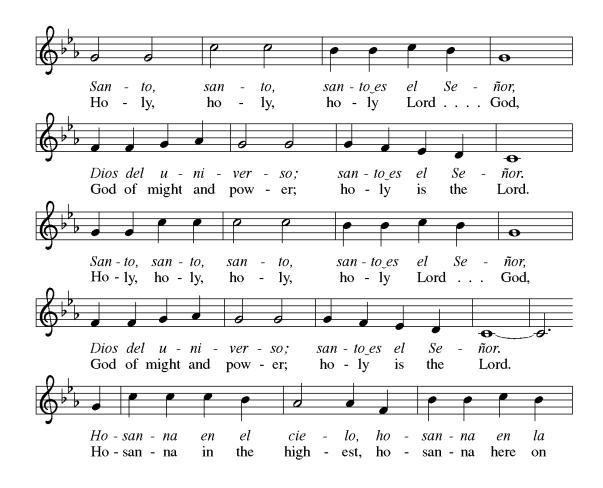
C: We lift them to the Lord.

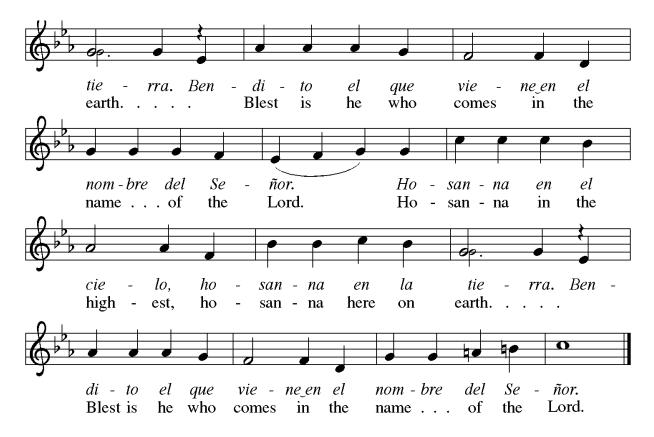
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface:

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:





Eucharistic Prayer (said by Pastor)

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.

C: Amen.

- P: Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:
- 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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!







Distribution of Bread & Fruits of the Vine (please follow ushers)

Hymn during Communion: ELW 785

When Peace, like a River It Is Well with My Soul



- 1 When peace like a riv er at tend eth my way, when
- 2 Though Sa tan should buf fet, though tri als should come, let
- 3 He lives—oh, the bliss of this glo ri-ous thought; my
- 4 Lord, has ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the



sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the



well, well with my taught me to is it is say, help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul. it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! well with my Lord shall de - scend: e - ven it is soul. SO



Text: Horatio G. Spafford, 1828-1888

Music: VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss, 1838-1876

Prayer after Communion

P: Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C: Amen.

Announcements

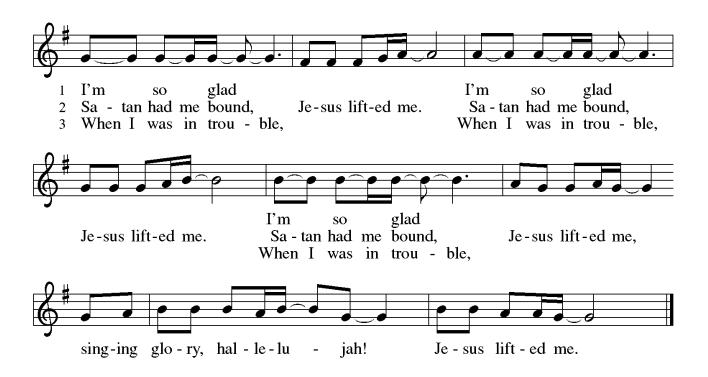
BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

Sending Song: ELW 860

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



Text: African American spiritual

Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

DISMISSAL

P: Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>					
June	BIRTHDAYS	ANNIVERSARIES	BAPTISMS		
10		Lynn & Tom Gaun (29)			
11		Lynn & Tim Leichliter (36)	Chase Aquino		

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES					
Sunday, June 9	10:00 AM	Communion Worship			
3rd Sunday after Pentecost		Deadline for Care-a-Lot 40 th			
		reservations			
Wednesday, June 12	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Office Hours			

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	12:00 PM	Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim
Thursday, June 13	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Office hours
	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's
	UPCOMING ACTI	VITIES
Sunday, June 16	10:00 AM	Communion Worship
4 th Sunday after Pentecost		Pies for Pops Father's day celebration
		after worship
Wednesday, June 19	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Office Hours
	12:00 PM	Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim
	6:30 - 8:30 PM	Wednesday Sundaes: Faith, Fellowship and
		Fun for the whole family!
Thursday, June 20	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Office hours
	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's
Sunday, June 23	10:00 AM	Communion Worship
5 th Sunday after Pentecost	1:35 PM	Iron Pigs game Conference event,
		@Coca-Cola Park
Wednesday, June 26	11:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Office Hours
	12:00 PM	Chat & Chew with Pr. Jim
	6:30 - 8:30 PM	Wednesday Sundaes: Faith, Fellowship and
		Fun for the whole family!
Thursday, June 27	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Office hours
	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Adult Bible Study @ Hlavaty's
Sunday, June 30		Care-a-Lot 40th Anniversary
6 th Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 AM	Communion Worship
	After Worship	Celebration Lunch in the Shed



For Healing of those in our Congregation:

James Altemose; Joanne & David Antoni; Jim Beerer; Frank Erceg; Joe Erceg; Kenneth Hager; George Kreitz; Paul McGinn; Cheryl Mesko; Ed Xander; Joanne and Bobby Ziegenfuss.

For Healing of Friends and Family:

Frank Allebach; Lynn Bailey; Ron & Kathy Ballek; Bob Benoure; Jason Bigley; Stephen Bizon; Sherri Breithoff; Deb Carmichael; Jane Carr; Peggy Coleman;

Stephanie Courtney; Nancy Edelen; Diane Ellington; Leon Errico; Kandyce Fischer; Fred Foerster; Gabriella Froehlich; Debbie Gardner; Cindy Gilligan; Candie Gimbar; Baree Lee Goodman; Penni Griffith; Andrew Hales; Penny Houck; Bill Hunt; Lois James & family; Martine King; Tim Koplin; Jim McAnally; Letitia McCrea; Tom McFarland & Family; Sue Odor; Cindy Oswald; Lucia Otero; Jennifer Phelps; Connie Rugen; Paul Sauter; Debbie Schultz; Laurel Sheetz; Donna Storm; Russ Trauger; Kelly Walsh; Jacqueline Ward; Dean Erika Wesch; Henry Wong; Josephine Yeisley & Wayne Yeisley.

For those who are Homebound:

Cleo Eck; Norma Fox; Frank Mammana; Jayne Miller; and Silas Rodenbach.

For families and friends grieving the loss of:

Ronald Fox; Rev. Dennis Durasoff; Kenneth Eck; Phyllis Lanshe; Charles Reiman

If you want to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please contact Joan Mammana either by phone (610-258-5717 or 610-417-6553) or by email at: prayerchain@durhamlutheran.org

Frank Mammana has been moved and now resides at Northampton Post Acute, 4100 Freemansburg Ave., Easton, PA 18045

Carolyn Williams sends her thanks:

I'm not sure where to start to begin to express my joy and appreciation for the recognition the congregation bestowed on me for Music Sunday. I would like to relay my abundant thanks to all, including the congregation, who displayed such love on Sunday. The pictures, the notes, and beautiful cards are all so meaningful to me. The entire day was such a joy, and I could not stop smiling!

Being your church musician has been such a blessing to me. This church has become my family, and it is an honor to be part of the worship service each week. Thank you for the generous gifts - I truly do not deserve them! It has been a gift to be able to share my love of music with you for the past 30 years, and God willing, a few more! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Love, Carolyn

Thanks to Trauger's Market for donating the flowers distributed on Mother's day!



The June Outreach envelope is for CWS Tool Sunday.



Click the QR Code on the right to Register for the Care-a-Lot 40th Anniversary party on Sunday, June 30th. Please note that the registration deadline is TODAY, June 9th.



Worship Assistants

Preacher	Rev. James Heckman
Guest Pianist	Gianna Nastasi
Altar Guild	Mark Harwick & Serena Ashmore
Greeter(s)	
Acolyte	
Lector	Joe Hlavaty
Head / Communion Usher	
Council Communion / Counting Team	Pat Zion & Jack Pyne
Administration & Technology	Ken Anderson
Custodian	Dianna Streletz



ALL ARE WELCOME AND WE HOPE YOU JOIN US!

This is a free event! Come out weekly on Wednesdays to enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun for all ages. We can promise ice cream and intentional learning activities about the values and story of Christ. Arrive and depart anytime between 6:30pm and 8pm. We hope to provide an enjoyable opportunity for families to experience the love of God in the open arms of our church family.