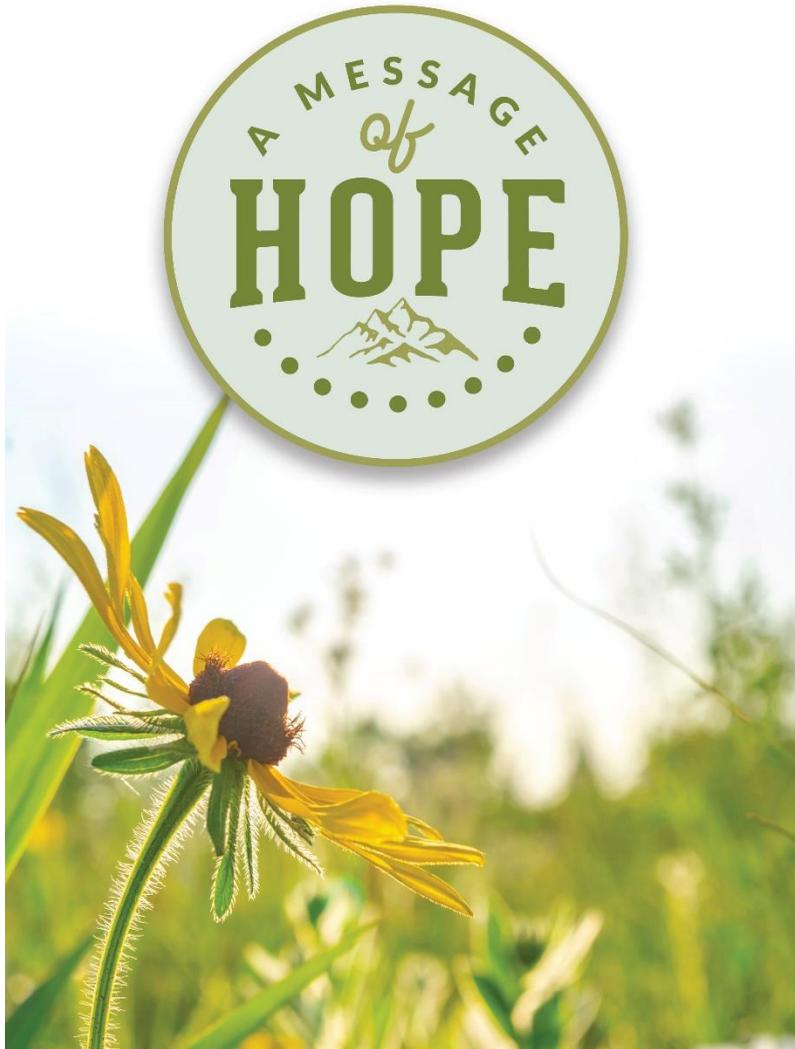


8 Pentecost



July 18, 2021

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome

Gathering Hymn

“When Long Before Time”

ELW #861 vs. 1,2,4&5

- 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.

- 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.

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

(Silence for reflection)

Prayer of Confession

P: God of mercy,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: Our God of love sent Jesus Christ to bring us forgiveness from sin. God gave us the Holy Spirit to lead us in our lives so we can bring the light of Christ to all peoples. Know that you are a beloved child of God and God forgives all of your sins. Go and bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. **C: Amen.**

Greeting

P: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

P: O God,

C: powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Anthem

"Song of Hope" - Hobby

Adult Choir

Word

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.

Welcoming the Word

"Open Our Lives to the Word"

May our words, may our songs, may our worship this day
fill up our hearts and give us new sight.

May our prayers, may our praise give us light for our days,
and open our lives to the Word.

Open our lives to the living Word.

Open our hearts to the truth we have heard.

May our words, may our songs, may our worship this day
open our lives to the Word.

Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; ²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD,
and my right is disregarded by my God"?

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Reading: Isaiah 43:1-5a

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Sermon

"Renew"

Pastor Dave

Hymn of the Day

"You Are Mine"

ELW #581 vs. 1-3

1 "I will come to you in the silence,
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice,
I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here."

2 "I am hope for all who are hopeless,
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light.
Come and rest in me."

Refrain

"Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."

3 "I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see,
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name."

Refrain

Text: David Haas, b. 1957

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Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Summer Camp Blessing (*Sunday*)

P: God of Creation,

C: as we send these kids to camp, we pray that they grow life-long friendships, and that they grow in their relationship with you. Bless their time at camp, bless their counselors, bless the camp staff, and bless all of the outdoor ministries of the ELCA. Inspire us all through the joys of camp. Amen.

Prayers of the People

“Hear My Cry, O God”

Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.

Listen to my song; Singing praises all along.

Sharing God’s Peace

Offertory Prayer

P: God of wisdom,

C: in your Son Jesus you show us the way of life. You teach us to love one another and to share the gifts of our lives. Receive these gifts, fruit of the earth and harvest of our labor, and lead us always by your wise guiding. Amen.

Holy Communion

Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given “for you and for all people.” For gluten-free wafers, ask the pastors. If you desire to commune while seated, please sit near an aisle and let an usher know. We will bring communion to you. Children not yet communing are invited forward to receive a blessing. If you would like to have grape juice instead of wine, please hold up your index finger when you reach a communion server.

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.

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

C: 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.

Communion

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Hymn

“We Praise You, O God”

ELW #870 vs. 1&3

- 1 We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

- 3 With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord, beside us,
your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882-1963

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**



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7/11 General Offering	\$ 9,383.50	\$ 226,279.22	\$ 243,964.00
7/11 Building Fund	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 33,631.50	\$ 35,196.00
TOTAL:	\$ 11,138.50	\$ 259,910.72	\$ 279,160.00
7/11 World Hunger	\$ 254.00	\$ 4,522.00	

ATTENDANCE	5:30PM Sat.	FB Live Views	9:00AM Sun.
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In Our Prayers This Week:

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