

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

VIDEO AND MISSION CAMPUS WORSHIP | JULY 11-12, 2020



5:30 pm, 8:15, 9:45, & 11:00 am, Online
Preaching: Pastor Mark Schulz

Director of Music and the Arts: Ben A. Spalding
Organist: Dr. Lara West
Lauren Perren, soprano

Prelude

Give Me Jesus | Anne Krentz Organ

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart | LSB 806 |

GIVE THANKS

The congregation is asked to silently follow the words of the hymns singing with your heart, not your voice.

**Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.**

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Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.**

**And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.**

**And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks, give thanks.**

Call to Worship *(Psalm 118:24)*

L This is the day that the LORD has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Invocation

L In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

L Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

L Jesus died on the cross and rose again so that we might have forgiveness of sins and new life in him, now and forever. Rejoice in God's gift of forgiveness!

C Thanks be to God! Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray. Almighty God, we thank you for planting the seed of your Word in us. By the power of the Holy Spirit cause that seed to sprout and grow and bear abundant fruit. This we pray in Jesus' name.

C Amen.

Offering

Offering baskets will not be passed; instead, please place your offering in the designated container or continue online giving options.

First Lesson

Isaiah 55:10–13

¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹² “For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the Lord,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Lesson

Romans 8:12–17

¹² So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Children's Message Video

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

¹ That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶ but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ He who has ears, let him hear."

¹⁸ "Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹ yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³ As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Sowing the Seed"

based on Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

The Apostles' Creed

C 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.

Musical Meditation

Be Thou My Vision | arr. Bob Chilcott |
Lauren Perren, soprano

*Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;
Be Thou my best thought, in the day or by night,
Both waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word;
Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord;
Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Be Thou, and Thou only, the first in my heart;
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art;
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be Thou my vision, be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction

L The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty |

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1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

4. Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew

**What the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.**

**5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him!**

Dismissal

[L] Go in peace. Serve the Lord!

[C] Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Go Forth with Joy! | Gwyneth Walker

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