## The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: Centered in Christ – Called to Serve

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Genesis 3:8-15

# Order of Worship

June 6, 2021 9:45 AM

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Introit Psalm 28:6–9

Blessèd be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Oh, save your people and bless your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

## Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- · who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- · who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

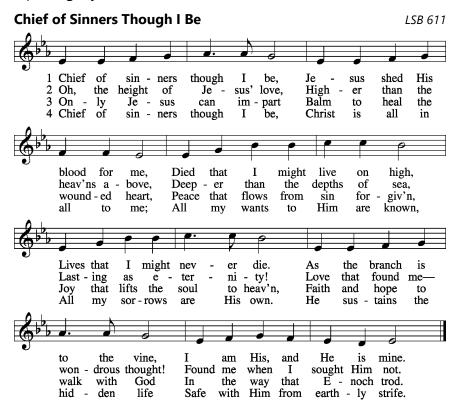
If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.

Thank you.

## Second Sunday after Pentecost

#### Welcome

## **Opening Hymn**



5 O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word! When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way; Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

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#### Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Confession and Absolution

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### Service of the Word

Psalm Psalm 130

Spoken responsively, whole verse by whole verse

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

<sup>2</sup>O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

<sup>3</sup>If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

<sup>5</sup>I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

<sup>6</sup>my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.

<sup>8</sup>And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

**Kyrie** 

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



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## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

  Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 3:8-15

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you above all livestock
and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.

15| will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel."

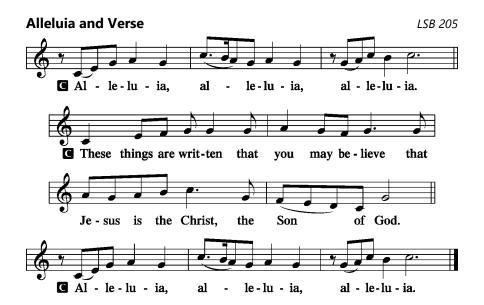
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

<sup>13</sup>Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, <sup>14</sup>knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, <sup>18</sup>as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

<sup>1</sup>For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel Mark 3:20–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

#### G Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>20</sup>Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat.

<sup>21</sup>And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

<sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

 $^{28}$ "Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter,  $^{29}$ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—  $^{30}$ for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." <sup>33</sup>And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

## **Apostles' Creed**

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

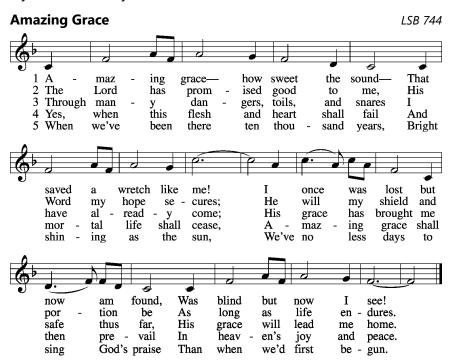
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

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  $\pm$  everlasting. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day



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**Sermon** "Found" Genesis 3:8–15

## **Prayer of the Church**

P Merciful God, You have sent the promised Offspring to crush Satan's head forever by the death of Christ, our Savior. As You gave comfort to Adam and Eve, receiving their meager confessions for the sake of Your grace and promising deliverance from sin and its curse, so comfort us by the forgiveness of sins and give us hope in the promise of eternal life and Your new creation.

Response after each petition

- **P** Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P What was lost in Paradise has been regained by the conquering wounds of Your Son, crucified and raised again. In Him, we are restored as Your children and made bold to ask for every need.
- P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

**Lord's Prayer** LSB 209

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.

## **Blessing**

- P The grace of our Lord 

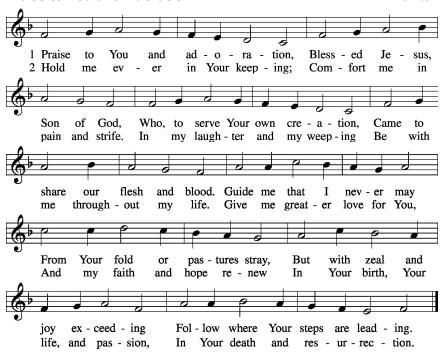
  → Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- **G** Amen.



## Hymn



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### Resources for Meditation this Week

#### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

6 June 2021

#### Readings

Genesis 3:8–15 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1 Mark 3:20–35

### Jesus Has Defeated the Devil and Released Us from the Bondage of Sin and Death

The devil deceived us, enticing us to disregard and disobey the Word of God and driving us to hide "from the presence of the LORD God." But the Lord, in His mercy, promised a Savior, who would set Himself against the devil on our behalf (Gen. 3:8–15). The Son of Man came, the incarnate Son of God, conceived and born of the woman. He "first binds the strong man," Satan, by atoning for the sins of the world, thereby removing the condemnation of the Law and the fear of death (Mark 3:27). Now He plunders the devil's house by calling all men to repent. Though He appears to be "out of his mind" (Mark 3:21), He fulfills the will of God and makes of us His own brothers and sisters. Therefore, "we do not lose heart," despite the suffering, sin and death that we experience in this fallen world. "He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus." By His grace, we are "being renewed day by day." For the Gospel is daily bringing us into His presence, not for punishment, but for "an eternal weight of glory" (2 Cor. 4:14–17).



#### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### Readings

Ezekiel 17:22–24 2 Corinthians 5:1–10 (11–17) Mark 4:26–34

# The Cross of Christ Is the Tree of Life, Which Bears Abundant Fruit after Its Own Kind

The parables of our Lord convey the mysteries of the kingdom of God to those who are "able to hear it," that is, "to his own disciples," who are catechized to fear, love and trust in Him by faith (Mark 4:33–34). He scatters "seed on the ground," which "sprouts and grows" unto life, even as "he sleeps and rises" (Mark 4:26–27). "On the mountain height of Israel," He plants a young and tender twig, and it becomes "a noble cedar." Indeed, His own cross becomes the Tree of Life, under which "every kind of bird" will dwell, and in which "birds of every sort will nest" (Ezek. 17:22–25). His cross is our resting place, even while now in mortal bodies, we "groan, being burdened" (2 Cor. 5:1–4). Yet in faith, we live for God in Christ, who for our sake "died and was raised" (2 Cor. 5:15). We know that, in His resurrected body, "we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Cor. 5:1).

