

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

**Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

**Lord's Prayer** ~ LBW p. 91

*(Staying standing, we pray the prayer given by Christ himself.)*

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)** ~ LBW#103 *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God*

*(We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death.)*

### **Holy Communion**

*(Be seated while you wait to be called forward to receive Christ's body and blood. Due to Covid-19, the pastor will hand you a host and you are encouraged to either eat it or dip it into the chalice. The chalice will not have a lot of wine in it to prevent the spread of germs. There will be no individual cups or drinking from the chalice. To only receive the bread is a full reception of the Lord's Supper. Both sides may come forward at the same time. Please keep 6 feet apart while waiting in the center aisle. The pastor will wash his hands and wear a glove for an extra layer of safety.)*

**Post-Communion Canticle** ~ LBW p. 116 *Lord, now you let your servant*

*(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)*

### **+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+**

*(In the final part of our liturgy, we are sent out as evangelists into the world, bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.)*

**Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction** ~ LBW p. 94

*(We stay standing as the assistant minister offers a prayer of thanksgiving and petition that God will grant us faith to love our neighbor. The pastor then extends God's blessing across us and our lives.)*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor (singing): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**Congregation (singing): Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** ~ LBW Hymn #262 – *Savior Again to Your Dear Name*

*(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God's word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)*

### **Dismissal**

*(We stay standing, facing the back of the church. The assisting minister concludes the service and sends us forth into the world.)*

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

### CALENDAR

**Sunday, July 5** – *The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*

10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

**Monday, July 6**

7:30 pm Online Marriage Class

**Sunday, July 12** – *The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

10:00 am Sunday School for adults and children

11:00 am Worship Service with Eucharist

### CHURCH STAFF

Pr. Evan McClanahan, Pastor

Jane Almquist, Deaconess

Dorry Shaddock, Organist

Bright Igwenagu, Sexton

Nancy Kincaid, Office Administrator

Josh Hortman, Choir Director

Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends Parent's Day Out Program

Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

Carroll Shaddock, Director Emeritus of Music

### WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

Sally Russell

Tim Baker

Donald Hackler

Evan McClanahan

Dorry Shaddock

Rachel Amos

Josh Hortman

Altar Guild

Ushers

Assisting Minister

Liturgist, Preacher

Organist

Soloist

Cantor



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ JULY 5, 2020

ORDER OF SERVICE

### **+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+**

*(The first part of our liturgy takes us out of the world and prepares us to meet God.)*

### **Prelude**

*(Music helps draw us into an attitude of prayer and praise.)*

**Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness** ~ LBW p. 77

*(We stand and face the altar; the pastor leads us in examining ourselves before God and alongside one another. We all receive His forgiveness and are now ready to worship.)*

### **Announcements**

*(Be seated. We are forgoing a Children's Sermon for now, but will resume them soon.)*

### **Introit** (Cantor)

Text: Ancient source; setting: Paul Bunjes (1914–98)

The Lord is my Light and my Salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the Strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me, they stumbled and fell. Ps. Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear. Gloria Patri...

*(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the cantor sings. "Introit" means "to enter." Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)*

**Processional Hymn** ~ LBW #555 *When in Our Music God is Glorified*

*(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)*

**Greeting and Kyrie** ~ LBW p. 78

*(Staying standing, the assisting minister leads us in chant as we ask God for mercy, unity, and peace for ourselves, our church, and all people.)*

**Hymn of Praise** ~ LBW p. 81 *This is the Feast*

*(Having received forgiveness and mercy, we sing praise to God, our source of all blessings.)*

**Prayer of the Day** ~ LBW p. 25

*(The pastor offers an appointed prayer based upon the scripture readings of the day).*

Pastor: Let us pray ...

**Congregation: Amen.**

*(Be seated.)*

## +WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD+

*(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God’s word.)*

### **First Lesson ~ Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67**

So he said, “I am Abraham’s servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master’s wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, ‘You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father’s house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.’ “I came today to the spring, and said, ‘O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, “Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,” and who will say to me, “Drink, and I will draw for your camels also” —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.’ “Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, ‘Please let me drink.’ She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, ‘Drink, and I will also water your camels.’ So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, ‘Whose daughter are you?’ She said, ‘The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor’s son, whom Milcah bore to him.’ So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master’s kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.” And they called Rebekah, and said to her, “Will you go with this man?” She said, “I will.” So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham’s servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, “May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.” Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, “Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?” The servant said, “It is my master.” So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah’s tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 45:10-17**

Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your people and your father’s house,

**and the king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him;**

the people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts, the richest of the people **with all kinds of wealth. The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes;**

in many-colored robes she is led to the king; behind her the virgins, her companions, follow.

**With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king.**

In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons; you will make them princes

in all the earth.

**I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.**

### **The Second Lesson, Romans 7:15-25a**

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Verse** (Cantor)

Grad. R. Forgive our sins, O Lord, lest the heathen say, Where is their God? V. Help us, O God of our salvation, and for the glory of Thy name deliver us.

Alleluia! Alleluia! V. O God, Thou sittest in the throne, judging right; be a Refuge for the oppressed in times of trouble. Alleluia!

*(We stand as the choir sings the appointed verse of the day. We prepare to hear about Jesus.)*

### **Gospel ~ Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Congregation: Glory to you, O Lord.**

“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.” At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Be seated.)*

### **Sermon**

*(As the prophets, apostles, and even Jesus himself did, the pastor proclaims God’s word as it applies to us and our world today. Listen both for what God demands of us (the Law) and what God does for us through Jesus Christ (the Gospel)).*

**Apostles’ Creed** ~ LBW p. 85

### **Prayers of the People**

*(We stay standing as the assistant minister leads us in prayer for our church, the sick and suffering, our community, and the world. We place trust in our loving God, especially for places and situations beyond our control).*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*(Each petition will end with the response:)*

Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Congregation: Amen.**

### **The Greeting of Peace**

*(Having prayed for our world, we now extend peace to the members of the body of Christ right around us. By this greeting to one another, we practice the peace that unites God’s kingdom even here on Earth.)*

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

**Congregation: And also with you.**

*(We repeat this greeting to those around us, along with a nod, handshake, or hug.)*

### **Anthem/Offertory**

*Come to me, ye that are heavy laden*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

**Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## +WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

*(Here, Christ comes to us in the sacrament or “sacred act” of the altar. We believe that God brings himself and his forgiveness to us “in, with, and under” the bread and the wine.)*

### **Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface** ~ LBW p. 88

*(We stay standing, as the pastor leads us in preparation for celebrating communion.)*

**Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)** ~ LBW p. 89

**Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution** ~ LBW p. 90