

6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, June 30, 2024

9:30 AM

PRELUDE

Improvisation on *Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott*

+ Gathering +

WELCOME & RINGING OF THE BELL

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The congregation may stand.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy.
Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,
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.

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.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

If You But Trust in God to Guide You (ELW 769)



1 If you but trust in God to guide you with gen - tle
 2 What gain is there in anx - ious weep - ing, in help - less
 3 The Lord our rest - less hearts is hold - ing, in peace and
 4 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways un - swerv - ing, of - fer your



hand through all your ways, you'll find that God is there be -
 an - ger and dis - tress? If you are in your Sav - ior's
 qui - et - ness con - tent. We rest in God's good will un -
 ser - vice faith - ful - ly. Trust heav - en's word; though un - de -



side you when cross - es come, in try - ing days. Trust then in
 keep - ing, in sor - row will he love you less? For Christ who
 fold - ing, what wis - dom from on high has sent. God, who has
 serv - ing, you'll find God's prom - ise true to be. This is our



God's un - chang - ing love; build on the rock that will not move.
 took for you a cross will bring you safe through ev - 'ry loss.
 cho - sen us by grace, knows ver - y well the fears we face.
 con - fi - dence in - deed: God nev - er fails in time of need.

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 Music: WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT, Georg Neumark
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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.
Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

+ Word +

READING

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

A reading from Wisdom.

¹³God did not make death,
and they do not delight in the death of the living.
¹⁴For they created all things so that you might exist;
the generative forces of the world are wholesome,
and there is no destructive poison in them,
and the dominion of Hades is not on earth.
¹⁵For righteousness is immortal.

²³For God created us for incorruption,
and made us in the image of their own eternity,
²⁴but through the devil's envy death entered the world,
and those who belong to its company experience it.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 30

Read responsively, the congregation reads the verses in bold.

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
²**O LORD my God, I cried out to you,
and you restored me to health.**
³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead;
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
⁴**Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful;
give thanks in holy remembrance.**
⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
⁶**While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed.**
⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
⁸**I cried to you, O LORD;
I pleaded with my Lord, saying,**
⁹"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
¹⁰**Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;
O LORD, be my helper."**
¹¹You have turned my wailing into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
¹²**Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation may stand.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 5:21-43

The gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.” ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, “If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.” ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my clothes?” ³¹And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’” ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader’s house to say, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, “Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha cum,” which means, “Little girl, get up!” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY

The congregation may be stand.
We Come to You for Healing, Lord (ELW 617)



1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
4 When nights are long with wake - ful - ness, through
5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in



bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
reached toward those in pain, come, ris - en Christ, a -
nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our



Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
mong us still with pow'r to heal a - gain.
faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

During the green season of abundance, we will have ample time to pray aloud or in the silence of our hearts. You are invited to pray for all things, joys as well as needs through standing, kneeling, or sitting. Let us pray,

As we journey through the long days of summer, guide us to seek new missions for the church. Pray for the work of God's people. . .

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

The nights are short and the days are long, you have called us into communion with the earth's seasons. Pray for God's creation...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

We live together in communities, yet we are a people of your divine dominion. Pray for just governance and nations...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

O God, we often fail to see your image in one another causing us to fall into sins of racism, sexism, hate, and all that we do to separate us from each other. Pray for transformation...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

For those who hurt in mind, body, spirit, we pray for your hand. Pray for the healing of one another...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

People of God, for what else shall we pray this day? Pray for what you wish to share today...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

Trusting God who raises us out of death, we give thanks for the people who have gone before us into your embrace. Pray for our beloved dead...

God of grace

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of peace with one another (wave, handshake, hug, etc.), honoring the personal boundaries of all. Those online may unmute and verbally share the peace.

The congregation may be seated.

+ Meal +

OFFERTORY

We give thanks for your ongoing support of the ministry of St. John's! Gifts may be placed in the offering plate, made in the Vanco Mobile app, or given online by scanning the QR code. Thank you for your generosity!



“Andante Tranquilo” from *Sonata III* by Felix Mendelssohn

OFFERTORY VERSE

The congregation may stand
We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise



We bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the house of the

Lord; we bring the sac - ri - fice of praise in - to the

house of the Lord. And we of - fer up to

you the sac - ri - fic - es of thanks - giv - ing; and we

of - fer up to you the sac - ri - fic - es of joy.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray together.

God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you.

We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed.

Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

DIALOGUE AND GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with You,

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We gather at your table, . . .

. . . to whom we offer all honor and praise from this day forth and forever more. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us in the many and varied languages we hold dear. . .

Our God 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

The congregation may be seated.

All are welcome to commune at Christ's table without exception! Please proceed down the center aisle at the direction of an usher. You may receive bread or request a gluten-free wafer. Please take a glass of wine (dark colored) or a glass of grape juice (light colored). After drinking, please place your empty glass in the basket before returning to your seat via the side aisle. If you would prefer to receive only a blessing, you may cross your arms across your chest to indicate this preference. If you would like to receive communion in your seat, please inform an usher, and the sacrament will be brought to you.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The congregation may stand.

Let us pray together.

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. Amen.

+ Sending +

BENEDICTION

The blessing of God,

who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

✠ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (ELW 712)



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, till your love's re-veal-ing light
 4 Called by wor-ship to your ser-vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
 still the cap-tives long for free-dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
 in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up-on our quick-ened sight,
 to the child, the youth, the a-ged, love in liv-ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart;
 As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
 mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
 hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.
 by your Spir-it send your pow-er to our world to make it whole.
 stir-ring us to ar-dent ser-vice, your a-bun-dant life to share.
 that your ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom may your mer-cy know and live.

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DISMISSAL

The worship is over. Now let your service begin
 Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Dialogue en Fugue” from *Suite du Huitième Ton* by Jacques Boyvin

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SERVING TODAY

<i>Interim Minister:</i>	Vicar Alex Linn
<i>Director of Youth & Families:</i>	Evergreen Edwards
<i>Director of Music:</i>	Luke Duroc-Danner
<i>Reader:</i>	Alla Rusz
<i>Usher:</i>	Jason Shutters
<i>Livestream Camera:</i>	Michel Hauser
<i>Altar Guild:</i>	Jan Wendel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed This Summer

Gathering after church to share a cup of coffee and a treat gives all of us the opportunity to visit and catch up with each other at the of the week. Please consider signing up to host a Sunday coffee hour so we can continue this time of fellowship. Right now, there is no one signed up for this summer. If you haven't hosted a coffee hour before, someone will be happy to guide you. Choose your Sunday by putting your name on the sign-up sheet located on the counter in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please call Jan in the church office.

Pastor Transition

As input to our Call Papers, the Church Council and Staff reviewed the Synod's [Three Pathways Guide](#). This is a tool to help assess the ongoing vitality and sustainability of a church. We completed two assessments, one on Vitality and one on Sustainability. This revealed some areas around sustainability that will impact our call. Discussing this with the congregation is an important step in finalizing our Call Papers.

On June 2, we had our first coffee hour chat and reviewed some of the questions together with the congregation. The conversation was robust and healthy. There will be another opportunity to talk about this on **July 28**, when Kathy Nolte from the Synod will be with us. All are encouraged to join this session as we answer more of the questions together in order to provide input to our Call Committee.

Additionally, all are welcome to fill out these assessments on your own and put them in the box at the church office. You can access the Vitality and Sustainability questions at the end of the Three Pathways guide, they are in Appendix 1 and 2. We will leave the drop box out until the end of July. After that, Council and the Call Committee will finalize the Call Papers leveraging this input.

If you have questions or want to discuss any part of this, feel free to email Mylene at mylene.pollock@comcast.net or call her at 312.656.6867.

Migrant Response Project

Buses continue to arrive at the Wilmette train station with migrants who have been transported here from Texas. The buses arrive unscheduled, and the Wilmette Police and volunteers try to assist the migrants to get "Take Care" packages and coats before they get on the train to Chicago processing centers. In connection with SaLT an organization in Highland Park, volunteers have packed bags with hygiene items, water and snack bars to give to the migrants when they leave the bus.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- † Family & friends of Rena
Leinberger, wife of Karl and
mother of Shayna, Brandon and
Jordan, who passed away
4/26/24
- † Sandy Kaspar, sister of Bill
Kaspar, recovering from
abdominal surgery
- † Tom Fries, friend of Jim Dossa,
cracked vertebrae
- † Family & friends of Lorraine
Beutelspacher, who died 3/6/24
- † Buckley Crist
- † Family & friends of Peter
Knobel, who died 1/13/24
- † Dottye Wolf, sister of Margye
Smith
- † Family and Friends of Hing
You Tam Siu, mother-in-law of
Jim Dossa, who passed away
- † Family & friends of Viola
Gonder, mother of Craig
Gonder, who died 8/7/23
- † Margaux Tauszig,
granddaughter of Wolf
Peddinghaus
- † Karen Brunn, daughter of Dave
& Lyn Brunn, recovering from
spinal cord injury

NOTES ON TODAY'S MUSIC

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847) was a German composer, pianist, and conductor regarded as one of the most celebrated figures of the early Romantic period. Raised in Berlin, Felix was given a comprehensive education that included several languages, landscape painting, literature, and history alongside his musical education. Both Felix and his sister, Fanny, were extremely precocious. Felix wrote during his childhood 5 operas, 11 symphonies for string orchestra, and several concerti, sonatas, and fugues. These were, once preserved in the Prussian State Library, were lost or destroyed in World War 2. Mendelssohn would have a wide-ranging career as both an early conductor and composer that led him all over Europe, and he remained very close with Fanny who was his closest friend and musical advisor. Fanny died in May of 1847, and Felix died shortly thereafter.

Jacques Boyvin (c.1649-1706) was a French organist and composer. Little is known about his early life except that he was born and studied in Paris. He enters the historical record during his tenure as organist at the Hôpital des Quize-Vingts from 1663-1674. From there, he was appointed to the position of titular organist at the Rouen Cathedral where he served until his death. All his remaining organ works exist in two published collections: the first from 1689-1690 and the second from 1700. Each book is formed of eight suites organized respectively around each of the traditional eight Gregorian modes. All the pieces are liturgical in nature and exhibit a brilliant synthesis of the prevailing forms and styles of the French Baroque organ composition.