SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2021 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST STJOHN'S



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Sunday, June 6, 2021 9:30 AM

Introduction

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

PRELUDE

"Rhosymedre" from *Three Preludes on Welsh Hymn Tunes*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

+ Gathering +

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

the

Let



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al might y, the King of cre a tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros-per your work and de-fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a dore him!



O soul, praise him, for is your health and sal - va my he tion! wings of ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. and, as on an mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend sure - ly his good - ness and vou. and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore All that has life him!



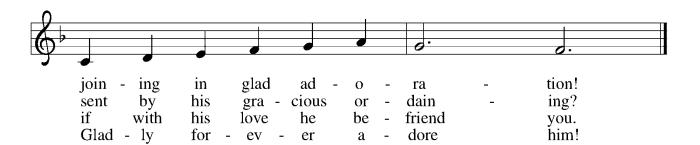
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GREETING

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.**

KYRIE

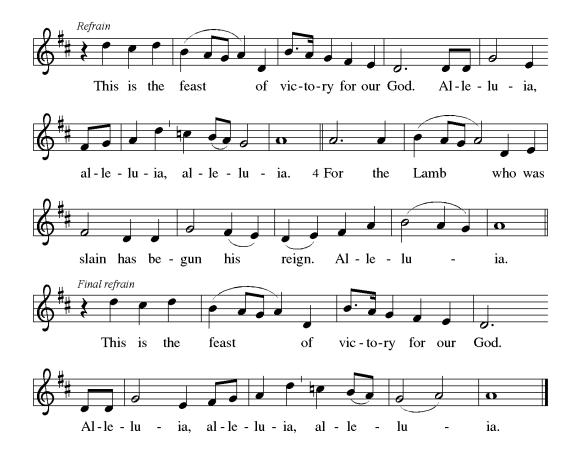


Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.

men.

HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

All-loving God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in Jesus, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

+ Word +

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Derek Stienmetz

READING Genesis 3:8-1

A reading from Genesis.

⁸Adam and Eve heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." ¹¹God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,

cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM
Psalm 138
Congregation sings verses in bold.



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 ^{1}I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;

before the gods I will | sing your praise.

²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;

for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all things.

³When I called, you | answered me; you increased my | strength within me.

⁴All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD, when they have heard the words | of your mouth.

⁵They will sing of the ways | of the LORD, that great is the glory | of the LORD.

⁶The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly, perceiving the haughty | from afar.

⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right | hand shall save me.

⁸You will make good your pur- | pose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works | of your hands.



GOSPEL Mark 3:20-35

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went home; ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that Jesus and the disciples could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him.

³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The congregation may be seated.

All Creatures, Worship God Most High!

ELW 835



- 1 All crea-tures, wor-ship God most high! Sound ev-'ry voice in earth and 2 Sing, broth er wind; with clouds and rain you grow the gifts of fruit and
- 3 Sing, broth er fire, so mirth-ful, strong; drive far the shad-ows, join the
- 4 All who for love of God for give, all who in pain or sor row



sky: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Sing, broth - er sun, in splen-dor grain: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear sis - ter wa - ter, use - ful, throng: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Dear moth - er earth, so rich in grieve: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Christ bears your bur-dens and your



bright; sing, sis - ter moon and stars of night: clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to hear: care, praise God in col - ors bright and rare: fears; still make your song a - mid the tears:

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



- 5 And you, most gentle sister death, waiting to hush our final breath:
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom, fair is the night that leads us home.
 Alleluia.
- 6 O sisters, brothers, take your part, and worship God with humble heart: Alleluia! Alleluia! All creatures, bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: Alleluia.

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of wholeness, we pray for believers all over the globe. Unify us in service of the gospel, that we may work together as beloved siblings to share your love with all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of the cosmos, we pray for creation; the gardens, waterways and creatures near to us and diverse forms of life that remain unseen. Teach us to treat the natural world with reverence, seeking restoration when human divisions have caused harm to your beloved creation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of all people, we pray for harmony among the nations. Cast out from us unclean spirits of greed and fear, that we may work in solidarity with one another for the common good. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of abundance, we pray for those who are oppressed or in any need. Encourage those who have begun to lose heart. Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of righteousness, we pray for this holy house of worship. Set our gaze upon things eternal, that in thanksgiving for your mercy, we may extend grace to more and more people. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

People of God, for what else shall we pray this day? Your prayers are invited now, either silently or aloud. (*Pause for prayers.*)

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of the ages, in your goodness you have sent us faithful witnesses for every time and place. We give you thanks for those saints who now rest in your eternal mercy. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

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.

The congregation may be seated.

OFFERTORY

We give thanks for your ongoing support of the ministry of St. John's! Gifts may be placed in the offering plate or made online at <u>stjohnswilmette.org/give</u>. Thank you for your generosity!

Psalm 150 César Franck

Hallelujah!

O praise ye the Lord, praise God in His temple.

O praise ye the Lord who dwelleth on high.

Praise the Lord in his might, and in his noble acts:

Praise the Lord in his glory and in his majesty.

Praise the Lord in the sound of the trumpet.

Praise the Lord on the lute and the harp.

Praise the Lord in the dances, the timbrels and the dance.

Praise him upon the strings and praise him on the pipe.

Praise the Lord upon the well-tuned cymbals.

Praise the Lord on the cymbals well tuned and loud.

Every creature on earth, everything that hath breath, praise ye the Lord.

Hallelujah!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

The congregation may stand.

Let us pray together.

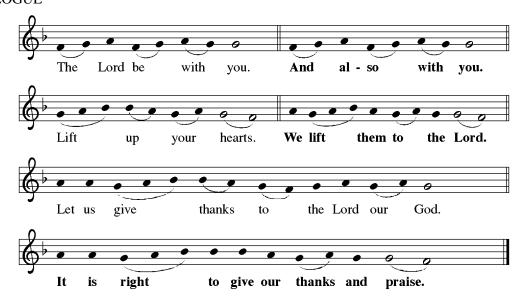
Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.

Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.

Make us to be what we receive here,
your body for the life of the world.

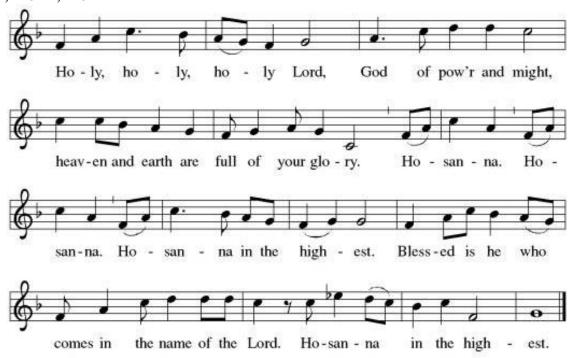
Amen.

DIALOGUE



PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

God our Mother, God our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kin-dom 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 kin-dom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION

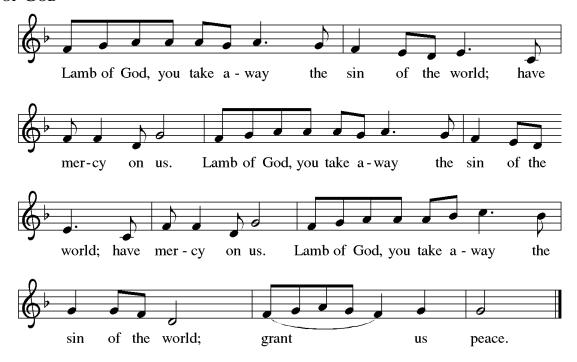
COMMUNION

The congregation may be seated.

All are welcome to commune at Christ's table! At the direction of an usher, those who wish to commune may proceed down the center aisle, maintaining social distancing. You may receive bread or request a gluten-free wafer. Please step forward and then remove your mask to eat in front of the altar. You may then select an individual glass of wine (dark colored) or grape juice (light colored) to drink. Please put your mask back on and place the used glass in the basket by the aisle as you return to your seat.

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 elements will be brought to you.

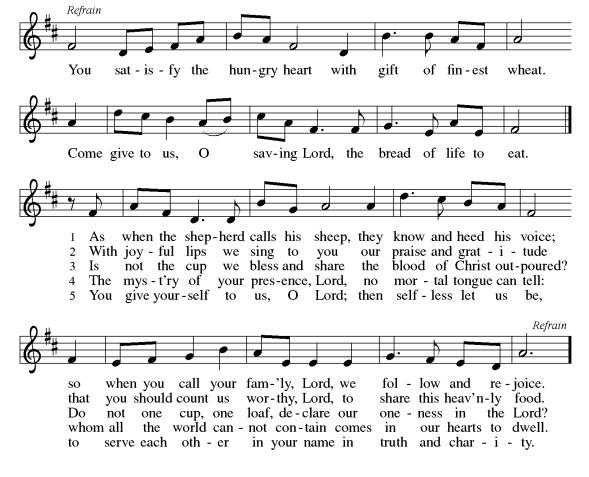
LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION HYMN

You Satisfy the Hungry Hear

ELW 484



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 +

BLESSING

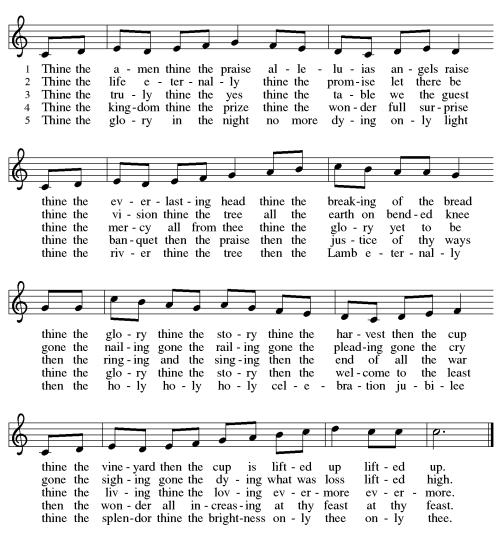
The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,

→ be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Thine the Amen ELW 826



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F major BWV 540

J.S. Bach

RE-GATHERING PARTY OUTSIDE

SERVING TODAY

Preaching & Presiding Minister: The Rev. Allison Bengfort

Assisting Minister: Jason Shutters

Music Director & Organist:

Vocalists:

D. Robert McConnell

Kira Neary, Lauren Kelly,

Pablo Laucerica, Ian Hosack

Minister of the Word: Michel Hauser Children's Message: Derek Stienmetz

Ushers: John Hauser, Bill Kaspar Altar Guild: Susan Crist, Jan Wendel

IN OUR PRAYERS

- † The family & friends of Peter Labbe, cousin of Bill Kaspar and former member, who died 5/15/21
- † Pastor John Lang, recovering from a stroke
- † Erik & Mary Kastman, son & daughter-in-law of Ken & Diane Kastman, on the birth of a baby boy
- † Candace (Witt) & Mike Yurkonis on the birth of a baby girl
- † Alla Rusz, recovering from surgery
- † Frank Ziegler, recovering from eye surgery
- † Karen Brunn, daughter of Dave & Lyn Brunn, recovering from spinal cord injury
- † Dana & Alex Salazar, daughter and son-in-law of Millie Burek, on the birth of a baby daughter, Lorena
- + Family of Judi, sister of Millie Burek, who passed away 2/14/21
- † Stephen Tschaikowsky, son of Alla Rusz, recovering from surgery
- † The family of John Genovese, father of Courtney Radde, who died 12/17/20
- † Barry and Hope Kellman, friends of Diane Kastman, for healing for Barry and comfort for Hope
- † Jeremiah Allen, student of Stephanie Abudayeh, recovering from injuries after being hit by a car
- † Norma Adkerson, stepmother of Courtney, diagnosed with COVID
- † The family of Doris Regan, who died 11/25/20

- † Rachel Cordts, recovering from cancer surgery
- † Cam Wise, for physical and emotional health
- † The family and friends of Matt Dossa, nephew of Jim Dossa, who died 6/7/20
- † Sylvia Cushing, cousin of Olga Domchenko, in need of healing
- † Doug Peters, who died 11/19/20
- † Linda Bengfort, mother of Pastor Allison, ongoing back pain
- † Greyson Nester
- + Margaret (Maggie) Oxland, sister of Lyn Brunn, who died 2/11/21
- † The family and friends of Marty Anderson, family friend of Dave & Lyn Brunn, who passed away 11/15/20
- † Ellie Basnik, mother-in-law of Chad Johnson, cancer diagnosis
- † Gil Basnik, father-in-law of Chad Johnson, in need of healing
- † The family of Paul Escamilla, friend of Elias & Stephanie Abudayeh
- † Sydney Johnson, her work
- † Mark Voosen
- † The families of Salwa Sous and Kevin Anderson, family members of Stephanie & Elias Abudayeh, as they mourn the loss of their loved ones
- † Margaux Tauszig, granddaughter of Wolf Peddinghaus
- † Ed Price, friend of Sarah Rink
- † Jodi Kretzman, friend of Peter Knobel

- † The family and friends of Carolyn Rasmussen, grandmother of Luke Rasmussen, who died 10/9/20
- † Art Garcia, friend of Chad Johnson, recovering from a heart attack and pneumonia
- † Tony & Alissandra Swanson, friends of the Abudayeh family, as they mourn the death of their 7-year-old son
- + Alan Williams, stepfather of Christi Wise, recovering from surgery
- † Lani Miller
- † Iden Nowlin, friend of the Abudayeh family, recovering from cancer surgery

- † Jessica Sandoval, friend of the Radde family
- † The family and friends of Helene Tadros, Olga Domchenko's sister, who died 4/6/20, and especially for William Sciarrino, Helene's caretaker
- † Natalie Domchenko & Hilaire Sainson, sister of Olga Domchenko and sister's husband, in need of healing
- † The family and friends of Pastor Bob Stout, former pastor of the Abudayeh family, who died 9/12/20

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Return to In-Person Worship with Re-gathering Party Today!

We are so happy to be returning to in-person worship this weekend! All are invited to join us this morning for socially-distanced services that include singing and communion. All participants are required to wear masks in order to keep everyone as safe as possible. As is typical during the summer season, Children's Church and the nursery are not available. Instead, children are asked to remain with their household in worship. Following the service this morning, we will have an outdoor party to celebrate our re-gathering. Please stick around!

Hidden Stories of the North Shore Discussion Series & Juneteenth Walk

Healing Everyday Racism in our Schools (HEROS) is hosting a multi-part community event leading up to Juneteenth, an American holiday celebrating the emancipation of those enslaved in the U.S. The multi-part event includes four Zoom conversations designed to raise awareness about the history of race in New Trier neighborhoods, all leading up to a community walk in Winnetka on June 19th (specific location TBA). Register for the Zoom events at heros.community/hidden-stories.

- o Wednesday, June 9, 7-8 pm: Education
- o Wednesday, June 16, 7-8 pm: Community Action
- o Saturday, June 19, 9:00-10:30 am: Community Walk

Habitat for Humanity

Join with the Habitat team at St. Joan of Arc parish in Evanston to help to create homes for families in need! There are three Saturday work dates scheduled: July 31, August 21, and September 11. Volunteers of all skill levels welcome, 16 years of age and over. For those under the age of 18, a parent must be part of the crew as well. If you are interested in joining the work team on any of these dates, email Frank Ziegler at frank.ziegler@gmail.com If you would like to read some interesting volunteer stories, and see why your participation is so important, visit habitat.org/stories/why-get-involved-habitat.

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday Bible is now on break for the summer months. We will resume in September.

Video Streaming Project: Honor Your Loved One

As we move back to in-person worship, we would like to continue offering an online option for worshippers who are homebound, out of town, or concerned about COVID. In order offer a high-quality experience for anyone who joins us online, we are installing a new video streaming system that will also record all our services, including baptisms, confirmations, weddings, funerals, etc. The total cost of the project is \$27,000, and we are looking for 30 gifts from family and friends of St. John's to reach our goal. **Gifts can be made in honor of a loved one, especially loved ones who would have appreciated being able to worship with their church community from home or their hospital bed.** The chart below shows the number of gifts needed at different giving levels. So far, we have received 14 gifts totaling \$10,704, which means we are 40% of the way to our goal! Many thanks to all who have given! To contribute online, visit stjohnswilmette.org/give and place your gift amount in the box labeled "Video Streaming System." To contribute by mail, please send a check made out to St. John's with "Video Streaming System" printed in the memo line. Be sure to also let us know the name of the loved one you would like to honor. Thank you for your generosity!

# of Gifts	Value of
Needed	Gift
1	5,000
1	3,000
2	2,000
3	1,500
3	1,000
5	750
4	500
4	300
4	120
3	60
30	27,110

So far, gifts have	
been made in honor of:	
The Rev. E.C. Franke	
Irene Franke	
Tom Wendel	
Doris Regan	
Paul Hoffman, Ken	
Johnson, Doug Peters,	
Bob Smith, and the	
friendship shared in the	
St. John's Men's Group	

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