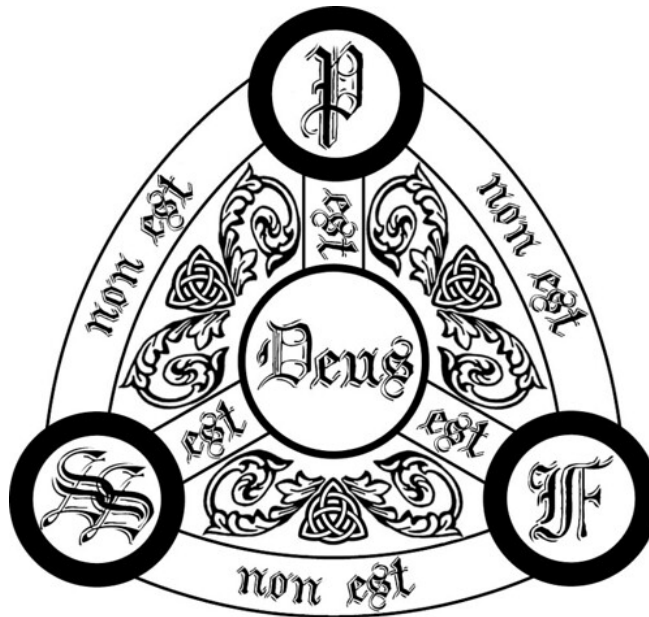


THE LORD'S DAY

June 22, 2025

Second Sunday after Pentecost



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Morning Worship Service: 10:15 AM • Evening Catechism Service: 5:00 PM

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

(Once the prelude begins, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)

Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: Grant us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from receiving your good gifts, and no weakness keep us from experiencing the perfect freedom that only comes from serving you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship

†Call to Worship Revelation 7:9-12

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Rev. 1:4-5; Ps. 97
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the

firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

Amen!

You, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;

you are exalted far above all gods.

O you who love the LORD, hate evil!

He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light is sown for the righteous,

and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,

and give thanks to his holy name!

†"Glory Be to God the Father"

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God Assures Us of Forgiveness

Call to Confession

Matthew 22:35-40

Prayer of Confession

O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before your great majesty, against which we have frequently and grievously sinned. We acknowledge our waywardness, and are heartily sorry for all our sins. Nevertheless, O Lord God and gracious Father, we know that you do not desire the death of the sinner, but rather that he should turn to you and live. Wash us in the pure fountain of Jesus' blood, so that we may become clean and white as snow. Inscribe your law upon the tablets of our hearts. And give us the desire and strength to walk in the ways of your precepts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen!

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 130:3-8

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast

love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
And he will redeem Israel from all his
iniquities.

†Psalm 45B

Pastoral Prayer

†Psalm 27A

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading Judges 3
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 202)
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading Hebrews 9:11-28
This is the Word of the Lord. (p. 1006)
Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination
Sermon Mr. Michael Hakze

JUDGES 3:12-30
THE LIFE OF A JUDGE: EHUD

†Psalm 37; 1-4

God Communes with Us in the Lord's Supper

Preparation and Prayer of Consecration
By the promise of God this bread and wine are
for us the body and blood of Christ. Lift up
your hearts!
We lift them up to the Lord!

Distribution of the Bread and Wine

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Offering 1st: General Fund
 2nd: Missions & Mercy Fund

God Blesses Us and Sends Us to Be a Blessing

†Benediction Numbers 6:24-26
The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD
make his face to shine upon you and be
gracious to you; the LORD lift up his
countenance upon you and give you peace.
Amen!

†Doxology (unannounced) #568*
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Postlude

† = please stand, if able
bold = congregational response
* = the congregation is invited to lift hands
(during last stanza); cf. Ps. 63:4, 1 Tim. 2:8

EVENING CATECHISM SERVICE

5:00 PM

Prelude and Silent Prayer

(Once the prelude begins, please remain silent as the congregation prepares for worship)

O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to you. Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. (Psalm 141:1-2)

Welcome and Announcements

†Call to Worship Psalm 118:1-4

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.” Let the house of Aaron say, “His steadfast love endures forever. “Let those who fear the LORD say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”

†Opening Prayer

†Responsive Reading Psal. 124:8; Eph. 1:2

Our help is in the name of the LORD,

Who made heaven and earth.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen!

†Psalm 76

†Confession of Faith The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and

for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic¹ and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

†Gloria Patri (unannounced) #571*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

God's Will for Our Lives First Commandment Psalm 115:1-8; HC Q & A 94

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory,

for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Why should the nations say,

“Where is their God?”

Our God is in the heavens;

he does all that he pleases.

Their idols are silver and gold,

the work of human hands.

They have mouths, but do not speak;

eyes, but do not see.

They have ears, but do not hear;

noses, but do not smell.

¹ “Catholic” means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples (Belgic Confession, art. 27; Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 54).

They have hands, but do not feel; feet, but do not walk;

and they do not make a sound in their throat.

Those who make them become like them;

so do all who trust in them.

94 Q. What does the Lord require in the first commandment?

A. That I, not wanting to endanger my own salvation, avoid and shun all idolatry, sorcery, superstitious rites, and prayer to saints or to other creatures. That I rightly know the only true God, trust him alone, and look to God for every good thing humbly and patiently, and love, fear, and honor him with all my heart. In short, that I renounce all created things rather than go against God's will in any way.

Pastoral Prayer

Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen!

Psalm of the Month

†Psalm 6

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 1

This is the Word of the Lord.

(p. 952)

Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Mr. Michael Hakze

1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

†Psalm 128A

Offering

General Fund

†Benediction

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Amen!

†“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”
(unannounced)

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