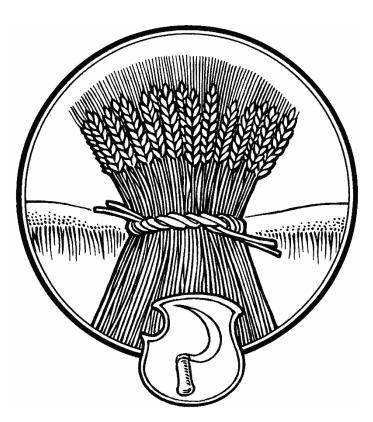
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The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2020

Reverend Chad Schopp, Pastor

Divine Service III

Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Confession and Absolution

Exhortation (p.184)

Kneel or stand as you are able

Corporate Confession (p.184)

Stand

Service of the Word

Kyrie (p.186)

Gloria in Excelsis (p.187)

Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; 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: Exodus 19:2-8

²[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, ³while Moses went up to God. The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: ⁴You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. ⁵Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine; ⁶and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel." ⁷So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ⁸All the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD.

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

Psalm 100 (LSB 100) (prayed responsively by whole verse)

Epistle: Romans 5:6~15

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia (p.190)

Gospel: Matthew 9:35~10:20

³⁵Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. ³⁶When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

¹And He called to Him His twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. ²The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7And proclaim as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' ⁸Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. 9Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. ¹¹And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town.

¹⁶"Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings for My sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed (p.191)

Sit

Office hymn: Preach You the Word

Sermon

Offertory (p.192)

Announcements

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface (p.194) Sanctus (p.195) The Lord's Prayer *(spoken)* The Words of Institution (p.197)

Pax Domini

Agnus Dei (p.198)

Sit

Distribution of the Sacrament

Hymns: O Christ, You Walked the Road

Stand

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LSB 586

Announcements

<u>Support for Law Enforcement</u>: Events over the past several weeks have been particularly difficult on our nation's police officers. They serve in an honorable vocation and the actions of some are affecting them all. We are going to reach out to our local police departments (Edgar PD, Stratford PD, Athens PD, Colby-Abbotsford PD) with letters of support and encouragement. We ask that the youth of both congregations draw pictures of police officers helping people and/or write letters of thanks. Adults, too, are encourage to write letters thanking them for doing their jobs. You can place the completed pictures/letters in Pastor Schopp's box at church. He will deliver packets of these letters to the police chiefs of the four departments in the last week of June.

<u>Man Up! Men's Bible Study</u>: Pastor Schopp will be leading a seven week Bible Study based on the book "Man Up! The Quest for Masculinity" by Rev. Jeffrey Hemmer. We will start on Wednesday June 24 at 6:30pm at St. John. Please call Sharon to sign up in advance so we can order the correct number of books. If you are not sure you can attend but still want a copy of the book, let Sharon know.

<u>VBS Cancelled at both congregations:</u> At the June Church Council meetings of St. John and Bethlehem the decision was made to cancel VBS at both congregations this summer. We have been putting links to resources on the new website (stjbeth.org) that you can use to teach your children every week. Routine family devotions are important and children learn best from the example set by their parents.

<u>Return to normal services July 1:</u> The Councils of Bethlehem and St. John have each set the date of July 1 to return to normal worship services. There will be no limits on attendance and no sign up necessary. We will continue to practice the recommended spacing in the sanctuaries (every other pew) and will limit the number of people for each table during communion to 6. The common surfaces will still be sanitized after each service and gathering. Volunteers to help with sanitizing are welcome.

Remember in our prayers:

- Leta Ebben (Bethlehem) recovering from surgery
- o Dawn Gumz (Bethlehem) illness
- Steve Schneider (St. John) illness
- Our nation's police officers, who are enduring much hatred and violence in the course of their duties

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod's Statement on Close Communion:

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, Our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but <u>His very body and blood to eat and drink</u> for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to first speak with the Pastor. (CTCR, Admission to the Lord's Supper, Nov 1999)

Teaching Points

Salutation: From the Latin *salutatio*, meaning "a greeting." A liturgical greeting by which the pastor blesses the people: "The Lord be with you." The traditional response, "and with your spirit," acknowledges that this blessing is spoken by the Lord's servant and returns a blessing to him. The Salutation occurs before the Collect of the Day and at the beginning of the communion liturgy.

From the Small Catechism

The Lord's Prayer: The Introduction Our _____ who art in heaven

What does this mean?

The Lord's Prayer: The First Petition Hallowed be Thy _____.

What does this mean?

God's name is certainly _____ in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

How is God's name kept holy?

God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its ______ and _____ and we, as the children of God, also lead holy ______ according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. ______ us from this, heavenly Father!

Hint: The Small Catechism starts on p.321 in the LSB