

4th Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome! Words in **bold** are said together. Music is from With One Voice book.

Children are always welcome - they worship God too! Cloth bags with quiet activities are by the stairs to keep them engaged during worship. Our nursery is at the bottom of the stairs, to the left.

The Lord's Prayer

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen.

L: Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. (silence for reflection)

L: Merciful God, C: you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

L: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **C: Amen.**

Gathering Hymn – Give Me Jesus #770

1. In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise give me Jesus.

Refrain: Give me Jesus, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

- 2. Dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. *Refrain.*
- 3. Just about the break of day, just about the break of day, just about the break of day, give me Jesus. *Refrain*.
- 4. Oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus. *Refrain.*
- 5. And when I want to sing, and when I want to sing, and when I want to sing, give me Jesus. *Refrain.*

Prayer of the Day — O God, the father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 66:10-14 p. 608

¹⁰ Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast, that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. ¹² For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream, and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm and bounced on her knees. ¹³ As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass, and it shall be known that the power of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

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

<u>Psalm 66:1-9</u> p. 459

- ¹ Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; ² sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.
- ³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.
- ⁴ All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."
- ⁵ Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.
- ⁶ He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him, ⁷ who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations—let the rebellious not exalt themselves.
- ⁸ Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard, ⁹ who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.

Galatians 6:7-16 p. 948

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith. ¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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Gospel Acclamation (sung) p. 102, setting 1

*Please stand for the reading of the gospel.

The holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6 And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near. ¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." 17 The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" ¹⁸ He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹ Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sermon David Ingram

Hymn of the Day – We All are One in Mission #576

- We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
 A single great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.
- 2. We all are called to service, to witness in God's name. Our ministries are diff'rent; our purpose is the same: To touch the lives of others with God's surprising grace, so ev'ry folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.
- 3. Now let us be united, and let our song be heard. Now let us be a vessel for God's redeeming Word. We all are one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

Apostle's 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 God's People

Each petition ends "Lord, in your mercy," please respond: hear our prayer.

Sharing the Peace — L: The love of God poured into our hearts, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, and the abundant life of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.

Offering

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Offering Hymn – Spirit of Gentleness #396

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free; Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

- You moved on the waters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing; "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain.*
- 2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand, and you goaded your people with a law and a land; and when they were blinded with idols and lies, then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*.
- 3. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill, then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still; and down in the city you called once again, when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*.
- 4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes. From bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams; our women see visions, our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*.

Offering Prayer

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving p. 107
Holy, Holy, Holy p. 108
Christ's Words of Institution and Communion
Invitation to Communion

L: The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

Post Communion Prayer

L: Mothering God, you gathered us to your table, and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Sending Hymn – Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory #890

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword: his truth is marching on.

Refrain: Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

- 2. He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat; he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat. Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet! Our God is marching on. *Refrain*.
- 3. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me. As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, while God is marching on. *Refrain*.

Blessing

L: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. C: Thanks be to God.

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