



KIMBALL MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
101 VANCE ST. KANNAPOLIS, NC 28081

June 21, 2026

4th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am

*Congregation responses in **Bold**.*

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin to God. Silence is kept for reflection.

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P Compassionate God,

C we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

OPENING SONG

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GREETING

P The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

LET'S TALK

Children's Time

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OPENING SONG

Bless the Lord (x10,000)

Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman

CHORUS 1a

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul, wor-ship his ho - ly name.

Sing like nev-er be-fore, oh my soul, wor-ship your ho - ly name. The

VERSE 1

sun comes out; it's a new day dawn-ing. It's time to sing this song a - gain. What-

-ev-er may pass and what-ev-er lies be-fore me, let me be sing-ing this song.

PRE-CHORUS 1

Let me be sing-ing, count-ing your bless-ings, yeah. I'll be count-ing all day long.

I'll be prais-ing, cel-e-brat-ing all you've done, and I'll be sing-ing this

CHORUS 1b

song. Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul, wor-ship his ho - ly name.

Sing like nev-er be-fore, oh my soul, wor-ship your ho - ly name. Bless the

VERSE 2

I don't need an-oth-er rea-son; ev-'ry-day you still give me more.

I don't need an-oth-er rea - son; I can see you, Lord.

Ev -'ry - where I see bless - ing; ev -'ry - day I see bless - ings. God, you

PRE-CHORUS 2

al-ways give me rea-son to praise you, Lord. Bless the Lord now, oh my soul.

Help me see what each day holds. Count your bless - ings one by one,

45

 two by two, three by three. Bless the Lord now, oh my soul,

47

 lift him up and make him known. 'Coz you al-ways gim-me rea-son to praise you, Lord.

49 **CHORUS 1b**

 Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul, wor-ship his ho - ly name.

53

 Sing like nev-er be-fore, oh my soul, wor-ship your ho - ly name. Bless the

58 **PRE-CHORUS 2**

 Bless the Lord now, oh my soul. Help me see what each day holds.

61

 Count your bless - ings one by one, two by two, three by three.

63

 Bless the Lord now, oh my soul, lift him up and make him known. 'Coz you

65

 al - ways gim - me rea - son to praise you, Lord. (Lord.) 'Coz you

TAG

 al - ways give me rea - son to praise you, Lord. 'Coz you

70

 al - ways give me rea - son to praise you, Lord.

Reading Romans 6:1b-11

In baptism we were incorporated into the reality of Christ's death and resurrection. We have been made new in Christ through his death and resurrection to live freed from sin.

L A reading from sixth chapter of Romans.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

L Word of God, word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus warns his disciples that their ministry in his name will meet with opposition. However, he assures them that they need not fear for the truth will come to light. Life is found in Christ.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the twelve: ²⁴ “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, ³⁶ and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. ³⁷ “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor John Futterer

SONG OF RESPONSE *Whom Shall I Fear God of Angel Armies* Chris Tomlin/Ed Cash/Scott Cash

VERSE 1



You hear me when I call. You are my morn-ing song. Though dark-ness fills the night,
it can-not hide the light. Whom shall I fear? You crush the en-e-my
un-der-neath my feet. You are my sword and shield, though trou-bles lin-ger still.

CHORUS 1a



Whom shall I fear? I know Who goes be-fore me, I know Who stands be-hind:
The God of an-gel ar-mies is al-ways by my side! The One Who reigns for-ev-er,
He is a friend of mine. The God of an-gel ar-mies is al-ways by my side!

VERSE 2



My strength is in Your name, for You a-lone can save.
You will de-liv-er me. Yours is the vic-to-ry. Whom shall I fear?

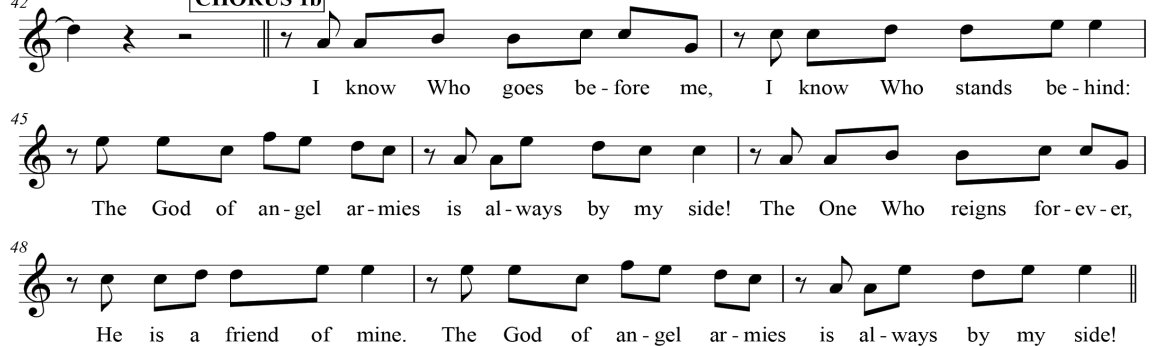
D.S. al Coda \oplus *Coda*

BRIDGE



Whom shall I fear? side! And noth-ing formed a-gainst me shall
stand! You hold the whole world in Your hands. I'm hold-ing on to Your
prom-is-es; You are faith-ful, You are faith-ful. faith-ful, You are faith-ful.

CHORUS 1b



I know Who goes be-fore me, I know Who stands be-hind:
The God of an-gel ar-mies is al-ways by my side! The One Who reigns for-ev-er,
He is a friend of mine. The God of an-gel ar-mies is al-ways by my side!

Continued...

CHORUS 1c

I know Who goes be-fore me, I know Who stands be-hind: The God of an-gel ar-mies
 54 is al-ways by my side! The One Who reigns for-ev-er, He is a friend of mine.
 57 The God of an-gel ar-mies is al-ways by my side! The God of an-gel ar-mies
 60 is al - ways by my side!

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

A With the people of God in Christ now and in every time, let us confess our faith.

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

A Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

*Prayer petitions will conclude: "God of grace,"
 The congregation's response is: "hear our prayer."*

P Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C Amen.

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

A The peace of Christ be with you.

C And also with you.

A Please greet those around you with words of peace.

OFFERING SONG

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

OFFERING

The offering plates are in the narthex for your use. You may also place your offering in the plate at the communion rail when you come to the altar for communion. Please ask an usher if you have any questions.

OFFERING PRAYER

P Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

We have two options for Communion during this time. You are free to come forward to receive the bread and pre-filled cups of wine from our clergy and lay assistants, returning to your seats after you've deposited the empty cup and following the guidance of our ushers; or you may continue to use the pre-packaged Communion elements which are available from the ushers at the entrance to the Sanctuary. However you choose to receive Communion this morning, know that we are glad you're here for this Sacrament!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Gathered as one by the Holy Spirit let us pray, as Jesus taught.

C 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.

INVITATION

P Heaven has come near.
Come, share in the feast!

You may receive the Elements as the words are said:

The Body of Christ given for you; The Blood of Christ shed for you.

Healing Prayer is available under the balcony during Communion if you desire prayer.

COMMUNION SONG

Blessed Assurance

Fanny Crosby / Phoebe Knapp

Verse 1

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

Chorus

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Verse 2

Perfect submission perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy whispers of love

Verse 3

Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with His goodness lost in His love

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His Grace.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God,
bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

DISMISSAL

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

