

July 7, 2024
Lectionary 14, Year B
7th Sunday after Pentecost



PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MORNING LITANY *Read Responsively*

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity + one God,
who looks upon us in compassion,
forgives our sin, and heals our lives.

C: **Amen.**

P: Eternal God, you sent your only Son to
do great deeds of power that changed
the world.

C: **Through water, word and meal you
continue to nourish us in faith, and
send us out to be your witnesses.**

P: The Holy Spirit, given at baptism, is
always at work in us, around us, and
in all the 'in-between' places of life—

C: **Between Jesus and the Father.
Between Jesus and us.
Between each other.
Between us and those to whom
we are sent.**

P: O God, in Jesus' name we pray:

C: **Send your Spirit in this place.
Amen.**

SONG No. 817

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore
Tom Ersland, Guitar

1 You have come down to the lakeshore
seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy,
but only asking for me to follow.

REFRAIN **Sweet Lord, you have looked into
my eyes; kindly smiling, you've
called out my name. On the sand I
have abandoned my small boat;
now with you, I will seek other seas.**

2 You know full well what I have, Lord:
neither treasure nor weapons for conquest,
just these my fish nets and will for working.

REFRAIN

3 You need my hands, my exhaustion,
working love for the rest of the weary--
a love that's willing to go on loving. *REFRAIN*

4 You who have fished other waters; you, the
longing of souls that are yearning: O loving
Friend, you have come to call me. *REFRAIN*

PRAYER OF THE DAY *We pray together*

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

**God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us
to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give
us the courage you gave the apostles, that we
may faithfully witness to your love and peace in
every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 2:1-5

The call of Ezekiel

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALM 123 *We read responsively*

- L: To you I lift up my eyes,
C: **to you enthroned in the heavens.**
L: As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
C: **our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.**
L: Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt;
C: **too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.**

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 12:2-10

God's power made perfect in weakness

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. WORD OF GOD. WORD OF LIFE. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

SONG: Lord I Lift Your Name on High No. 857

Tom Erslund, Guitar

Lord I lift your name on high;
Lord I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life,
I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth, to show the way,
from the Earth to the cross, my debt to pay,
from the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky;
Lord I lift Your name on high.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: MARK 6:1-13

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

Sending of the Twelve to preach and heal

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CHILDREN'S WORD

MESSAGE *PASTOR KRIS D.H. FERKIN*

HYMN OF THE DAY v. 1,3,4 No. 576

In Christ Called to Baptize

- In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace and gather a people from each land and race. In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death, then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.**
- In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach the life-giving gospel; God's love we will teach. By grace may our living give proof to our praise in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.** v.4 >

- 4 **Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love, for you are within us, around us, above. Equip us for service with gifts you bestow. In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.**

APOSTLES 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.

PRAYER SONG & PRAYERS

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying No.752

Sung before & after prayers

Lord, __listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, __listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Petitions: (Prompt) Merciful God
(Response) **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING—OFFERTORY--GLOBE OFFERING

Children are invited to bring forward an offering to the globe in the front of the church. Globe offerings will go to one of our global mission partners to be decided by our youth.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

C: 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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING Spoken

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

DISTRIBUTION & HYMN

How Firm a Foundation

No. 796

- 1 **How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word! What more can he say than to you he has said who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?**
- 2 **"Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed, for I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."**
- 3 **"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply. The flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume and your gold to refine."**
- 4 **"Throughout all their lifetime my people shall prove my sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."**

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

C: 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.

BENEDICTION

P: The blessing of God,
who provides for us,
feeds us,
and journeys with us,
+ be upon you now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

- 1 **The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give, to make of all the earth a better place to live.** *Repeat Part 1*
- 2 **The angels are not sent into our world of pain to do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name; that falls to you and me and all who are made free. Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.** *Repeat Part 2*

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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 COFFEE SERVERS—Paul & Sharon Rechtzigel
 TECH CREW—Heidi Haugen, Barb Groth, Steve Johnson, Holly Aldorfer.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Calendar - This Week

Su 7/7	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee
Mon 7/8	10-11 BAND LESSONS
Tue 7/9	(Tim Bowman)
Wed 7/10	6 PM WED OUTDOOR WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP 7 PM COUNCIL
Thu 7/11	1 PM LOVE DAY 7 PM AA
Su 7/14	9 AM WORSHIP 10 AM Coffee

Calendar - Future Events

7/16 – 7-20	ELCA NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING in New Orleans
7-21	POOL PARTY - AT KENYON DEPOT PARK: Hotdogs, chips, watermelon & beverage served at 5 PM, followed by swimming til 7 pm. OPEN to ALL FLC members. FLCYouth will cover cost per person for pool, if they do not have a pool pass.

JULY & AUGUST STEWARDSHIP FOOD DRIVE for Kenyon Food Shelf: Food items, paper goods, personal hygiene and cash donations are welcome. Donation boxes are located in the Narthex, Handicap and Office entrances at church. Help us fill those boxes to overflowing!

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