

*Fear not, . . .  
you are of more value than many  
sparrows*

*Matthew 10:31*

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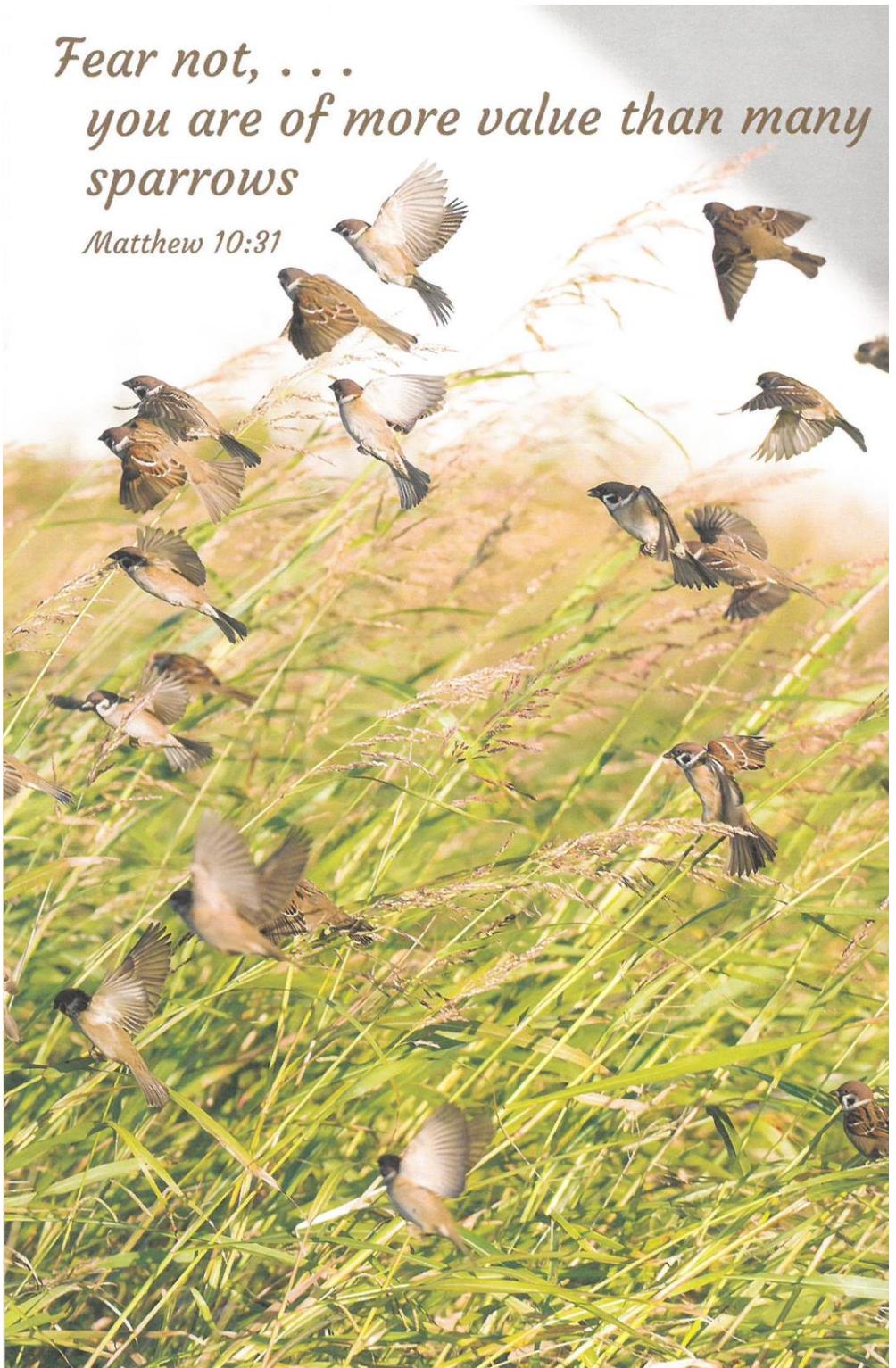
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**June 21, 2020 Traditional Service**

**Third Sunday After Pentecost**

**Five minutes before the service, the Pastor and Elder are praying for you.**

As we prepare for worship, please be considerate of those around you who are praying and meditating on Scripture by turning off your cell phones as soon as you enter the sanctuary. May God bless your time of worship!

**TO OUR VISITORS**

Welcome in the name of Jesus! Thank you for allowing us to serve you and your family today. We ask you to sign our guest register located in the foyer or fill out a guest card letting us know how we can serve you. If you have no church home, we invite you to make First Evangelical Lutheran your church home. Please get in touch with our Pastor for the next available new member class.

**Divine Worship Service Two, LSB 167**

**GREETING FOR THE DAY: PASTOR STEVE BREITBARTH**

**OPENING HYMN: LSB: 725 "CHILDREN OF THE HEAV'NLY FATHER"**

**† CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION †**

*(Please Stand)*

**INVOCATION:**

**P** *This is the day the Lord Has made:*

**C** **Let us rejoice and be glad in it**

*(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

**P** *We make our beginning in the Name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

**C** **Amen**

**EXHORTATION:**

**P** *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)*

**CONFESSION OF SINS**

**P** *Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.*

**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

**P** *In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**C** **Amen.**

## † SERVICE OF THE WORD †

### INTROIT

*Psalm 100*

**P** *Make a joyful noise to the LORD,*

**C** **all the earth!**

**P** *Serve the LORD with gladness!*

**C** **Come into his presence with singing!**

**P** *Know that the LORD,*

**C** **He is God!**

**P** *It is He who made us,*

**C** **and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

**P** *For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,*

**C** **and His faithfulness to all generations.**

### KYRIE

**P** *In peace let us pray to the Lord.*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** *For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.

**P** *For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.*



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.





You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** *The Lord be with you.*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** *Let us pray.*

*Faithful God, when we are fearful of our enemies and weary of the struggle, You have been our shield and our strength. Grant to us the full measure of Your grace to sustain us against all who are against us, and help us to endure the trials and temptations of this mortal life and be faithful unto death.*

**C** **Amen.**

*(Please Be Seated)*

### **OLD TESTAMENT**

*Jeremiah 20:7–13*

*<sup>7</sup>O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. <sup>8</sup>For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, “Violence and destruction!” For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. <sup>9</sup>If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. <sup>10</sup>For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! “Denounce him! Let us denounce him!” say all my close friends, watching for my fall. “Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him.” <sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. <sup>12</sup>O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause. <sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.*

**P** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### **GRADUAL:**

*Romans 10:8b, 10*

*The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart,  
the word of faith that we proclaim.*

*For with the heart one believes and is justified,  
and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.*

**EPISTLE**

*Romans 6:12–23*

*<sup>12</sup>Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup>What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup>and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. <sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**P** *This is the Word of the Lord.*

**G** **Thanks be to God.**

*Please Stand*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



**G** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 10:5a, 21–33*

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

**G** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . . <sup>21</sup>“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup>and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the*

end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. <sup>24</sup>"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household. <sup>26</sup>"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven."

**P** *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

*Please Be Seated*

**SERMON HYMN: LSB 729 "I AM TRUSTING THE LORD JESUS"**

**SERMON: "Have No Fear"**

**Pastor Steve Breitbarth**

*Please Stand*

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Congregational Response: Lord Have Mercy**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.

**CONCLUDING COLLECT**

**P** *Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the*

*patience and comfort of Your Holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**☩ Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

**☩** *May the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God and Fellowship of the Holy Spirit remain with you always.*

**☩ Amen.**

*Please Be Seated*

### **CLOSING HYMN: LSB 570 “JUST AS I AM, WITHOUT ONE PLEA”**

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