

Parable of the mustard seed

Mark 4:26-34

June 16, 2024

<u>A Special Message to First-Time Visitors</u>

We are delighted to have you with us today! Here are a few things you might want to know as you prepare for worship.

We love to see children at worship and welcome them in the sanctuary. There are activity bags available in the hallway for them should they become restless. We also have a nursery located in the wing opposite the sanctuary staffed by two capable, loving people.

The restrooms are located just outside the hallway leading to the sanctuary, with a wheelchair/handicap accessible restroom down the hall. If you need help finding any of these, please ask an usher.

We have a "Welcome" packet for you with more information about Living Word Lutheran Church.

Each row has a red pad with a form for all in attendance to complete. Please complete the form so we can provide a more personal ministry.

Prayer request cards are included for you to fill out and place in the plate when the offering is taken. The pastor will then, with your permission, share the concern and pray for your need during the prayer time.

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday to all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. You are invited to commune with us. The dark red liquid is wine and the lighter colored liquid is grape juice.

We welcome the opportunity to visit with you. Please join us for coffee & cookies immediately following the service.

Your presence today is a blessing. May our collective worship be acceptable and pleasing to God, our Father.

## June 16, 2024

Usher

Judy Williams

Security

Bob Martin

**Sound System** 

Ron Johnson

Lector

Dan Owen

**Communion Assistant** 

Sharlene Parker

Communion Set-up/clean-up

Toni Sherman/Ardis Kilber

**Coffee Hour** 

Heidi Studivant/Nancy Martin

**Flowers** 

Dan and Mary Kaye Owen

**Tellers** 

Judy Krumwiede/Linda Kupka

Sharlene Parker

**Julian Estates Worship Leaders** 

Jeff DeBord/Ron Heilman

Bonaventure

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# June 23, 2024

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Toni Sherman/Feliz Lundberg

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# Order of Worship June 16, 2024, 4th Sunday after Pentecost Pastor Eric Lundberg

# LBW-Green Hymnal, HWC-Light Blue Hymnal, WOV-Dark Blue Hymnal

Please remember to silence all electronic devices upon entering the sanctuary.

Before the service we talk to God. During the service God talks to us.

After the service, we talk to each other.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

"We, God's people of Living Word Lutheran Church, grounded in Holy Scripture are called to follow and share the inspired Word of God in Christ, to live as faithful and obedient servants, reaching out to all people with the love of Jesus Christ."

Living Word is affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. (https://lcmc.net)

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Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Dan and Mary Kaye Owen in honor of fathers.

# Our worship begins with background music about five minutes before the stated start time. Please take this opportunity to find a seat and quietly prepare your heart for worship.

# **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

Prelude "This Is My Father's World" arr. Yohan Kim

# **Praise Song**

# "My God Is All I Need (My God Is So Big)"

#### Verse 1

Dark, dark is the valley, Faint, the light at my feet. But whatever may face me, My God is all I need.

## Verse 2

Bright, bright are the treasures Life may offer to me. But whatever the pleasure, My God is all I need.

## Chorus

He is my strength when I cannot go on.

Peace, when all my power is gone.

Hope, although the night is long and deep.

He is my song, for He has rescued me.

Joy, now He has set me free.

Praise, praise to my Father be,

My God is all I need.

#### Verse 3

Brief, brief are my days here, Soon my journey complete. But, I look to my Saviour, Where God has met my need. Yes, He has met my need. (Chorus)

# Bridge (2X)

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty, There's nothing my God cannot do.

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty, There's nothing my God cannot do.

The mountains are His, the valleys are His, The stars are His handiwork, too.

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty, There's nothing my God cannot do.

# Tag 1

No, there's nothing my God cannot do (Chorus)

## Tag 2

Praise, praise to my Father be, My God is all I need.

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# (please stand)

# We Worship by Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Apostles' Creed

**I BELIEVE** in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

<u>I BELIEVE</u> 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.

<u>I BELIEVE</u> 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.

Opening Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy" LBW 165

#### Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning Our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy, Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity!

## Verse 2

Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before thee,
Which wert and art
And evermore shalt be.

## Verse 3

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin
Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy;
There is none beside thee,
Perfect in pow'r
In love and purity.

#### Verse 4

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise thy name In earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy,
Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons,
Blessed Trinity!

Prayer of the Day (all pray): God, our maker and redeemer, you have made us a new company of priests to bear witness to the Gospel. Enable us to be faithful to our calling to make known your promises to all the world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Amen.

# We Worship by Confessing our Sins

Pastor: Remembering our baptism into Christ Jesus, we gather as we are to live, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.** 

- P: Beloved in the LORD, let us draw near with faithful hearts and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the name of our LORD Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the LORD. C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my sins unto the LORD. C: May God forgive the offense of my sin.
- P: (Facing altar which symbolizes God's presence): Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,
- <u>C:</u> We confess to You that we are by nature sinners and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, pleading for and seeking Your grace for the sake of our LORD Jesus Christ.

<A moment of silent prayer and reflection>

- P: Most merciful God C: You have given Your only begotten Son to die for us. Have mercy upon us, and for Jesus' sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, that by Your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.
- P: (Facing the congregation, declares God's grace): Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for Jesus' sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on Jesus' Name, He gives power to become children of God and bestows on them His Holy Spirit. Those who believe and are baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O LORD, unto us all. **C: Amen.**All: Praise the LORD!

#### We Hear and Read God's Word

# The first reading is from Ezekiel, the 17th Chapter (ESV)

<sup>22</sup> Thus says the Lord GoD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup> On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the

shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup> And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

(The Word of the Lord)

C: Thanks be to God

# This reading is from Psalms, the 92<sup>nd</sup> Psalm (ESV) (responsive)

Reader: 1 It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

Congregation: <sup>2</sup> to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,

R: <sup>3</sup> to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

C: 4 For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

R: 12 The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

<u>C</u>: <sup>13</sup> They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God.

R: 14 They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,

<u>C</u>: <sup>15</sup> to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

(Here ends this reading)

# Children's Message

#### **Announcements**

# **Gospel Lesson**

Grace Reichl, reader

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel lesson)

# The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter (ESV).

<sup>13</sup> Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." <sup>14</sup> And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt <sup>15</sup> and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

<sup>16</sup> Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men. <sup>17</sup> Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

<sup>18</sup> "A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be comforted, because they are no more."

<sup>19</sup> But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, <sup>20</sup> saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." <sup>21</sup> And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning

over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. <sup>23</sup> And he went and lived in a city called Nazareth, so that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, that he would be called a Nazarene.

(R: The Word of the Lord)
C: Praise to you O Christ

Message

Offertory

Offering Hymn

## "Create in Me"

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, Oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence O Lord,
And take not your Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me, the joy of Thy salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me.

The Words of Institution

**Holy Communion** 

# **Communion Hymn**

## "Lamb of God"

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us. Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us. Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us. Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love. Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

# **Prayers of the Church**

The LORD's Prayer

# The LORD's Prayer (sung)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

# **Benediction** (please stand)

# Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

# On Our Way Rejoicing

# **Closing Hymn**

# "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

**LBW 467** 

## Verse 1

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm has bound the restless wave,
Who bade the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

## Verse 2

O Savior, whose almighty word
The winds and waves submissive heard,
Who walked upon the foaming deep,
And calm amid the storm didst sleep:
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee
For those in peril on the sea.

## Verse 3

O Holy Spirit, who didst brood Upon the chaos dark and rude, And bid its angry tumult cease, And give, for wild confusion, peace: Oh, hear us when we cry to thee For those in peril on the sea.

## Verse 4

O Trinity of love and pow'r,
All trav'lers guard in danger's hour
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to thee
Glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

P: Go in Peace! Serve the LORD!

C: Thanks be to God!

## **Postlude**

Musician: Mary Kaye Owen Choir Director: Dan Owen

## We Worship By How We Live During the Week

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning!

If you are a visitor, we are blessed that you have joined us for worship.

Coffee hour will follow the worship service. Please join us!