

**COME TO ME
ALL YOU THAT ARE WEARY
AND I WILL GIVE YOU
REST**



**OUR SAVIOUR
LUTHERAN CHURCH
WARRENTON VA**

**SUNDAY, JULY 5
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5TH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The presiding minister leads the prayer of preparation.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
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. 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.

The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
- 3 Hail him, you heirs of David's line,
whom David Lord did call
the God incarnate, man divine
and crown him Lord of all.
The God Incarnate, man divine
and crown him Lord of all.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and offers a prayer.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

KYRIE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY (*spoken*)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us
for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant
that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you,
through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Romans 7:15-25

A reading from Romans.

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ^{25a}Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] ¹⁶“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷*‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’*

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

An assisting minister leads the assembly in prayer.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and eternal: hear our prayer.

A brief silence.

We pray for the nations. Hold in your embrace the peoples of the world, every language, tribe and faith. Heal them from illness, including this pandemic; spare them from war; deliver them from poverty and tyranny. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for the United States of America, as it celebrates the gift of liberty. Guide Donald our President, Ralph our Governor, and all those in authority to seek justice and peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for Our Saviour Lutheran Church. Keep us united in faith, hope and charity, even while we are separated by distance and disease. Bless our pastors, Council, Continuity, Finance and Property Committees, musicians and worship leaders, as they guide us through this time of change. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We pray for all in need. Take their yoke upon you and ease their burdens. For all who are tired, feeling despair, sick, or oppressed (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We give thanks for those who have died in faith (*especially*). Welcome them into your eternal rest and comfort us in our grief until we are joined with them in new life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other with peace.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

We greet each other with a reverent bow.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

The presiding minister may invite the assembly to participate.

Let us offer to God what God has first given us: our selves, our time,
and our possessions – signs of God’s gracious love.

*You may leave an offering in the plate near the door. You may also give
online at www.oslc-warrenton.org/donate.*

During this time, the table is set.

OFFERING PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads a prayer.

Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you
open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table,
that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ,
our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

SURSUM CORDA

The presiding minister invites the assembly to give thanks.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister offers a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving on behalf of the assembly.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.

You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again,

we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able;

we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine,

so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory
in your holy church, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
**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 TO COMMUNION

The presiding minister may address the assembly in the words of Ps. 34.

**Taste and see that the Lord is good.
Happy are they who take refuge in him.**

The assembly may be seated. The bread may be broken for the communion.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Those who cannot be present in body may offer this prayer, and
trust that Christ is with them in faith and love.*

**My Jesus, I believe that you are present in Holy
Communion, according to your promise. I love you above
all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now
receive you in the sacrament, come to my heart in the spirit.
I embrace you now as if you were here, and unite myself
wholly to you. Never let me be separated from you. Amen.**

COMMUNION

- *Communion today will be under the form of bread alone.*
- *Ushers will direct you toward the altar.*
- *Please maintain a six-foot distance from those outside your own household, and approach the presiding minister with your arms fully extended.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister offers a prayer after communion.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Brief announcements may be made.

BLESSING

The presiding minister proclaims God's blessing.

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

On following page

DISMISSAL

The assisting minister may send the assembly into mission.

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

Softly and Tenderly

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1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847–1909
Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

A BLESSED INDEPENDENCE DAY

To All Americans

The New Colossus

By Emma Lazarus (1849-1887)

Not like the brazen giant of Greek fame,
With conquering limbs astride from land to
land;
Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall
stand
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name
Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand
Glow world-wide welcome; her mild eyes
command
The air-bridged harbor that twin cities
frame.

"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

This famous sonnet, memorized by generations of American school-children, was written to raise money for the pedestal upon which Bartholdi's famous statue, "Liberty Enlightening the World," would rest. It is now cast in bronze upon that very pedestal.

The author was a well-known poet and activist for the cause of Jewish refugees fleeing Czarist Russia.

