

Service of Word & Song

Pentecost + 6 30 June 2024 Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Warrenton, Virginia Jerry Hoke, James Lowell & Bettie Shiflett, Worship Leaders

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Introduction

Pastors Terri and Michael are at a family reunion.

Today's Service of the Word, adapted from With One Voice, consists of psalms, hymns and prayers. Holy Communion will be celebrated again next weekend.

Hymns are from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red hardcover book in the pews.

Entrance Hymn Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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Greeting

- L 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.
- L The Word is near to you,
- C on your lips and in your heart.
- L If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,
- C and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- L Faith comes from what is heard,
- C and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

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- L The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- L Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

First Reading

(2 Corinthians 8:7-15)

L A reading from Second Corinthians.

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have.

¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading: Lamentations 3:22-25, 32-33

²²The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end:

²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

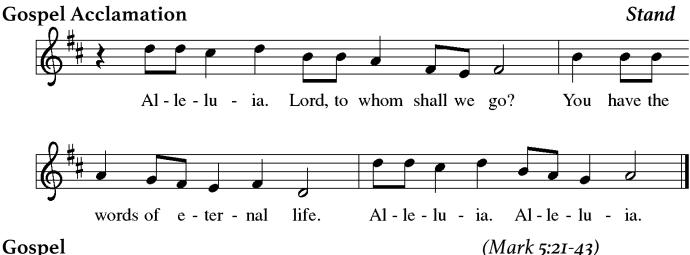
²⁴"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

²⁵The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

³¹For the Lord will not reject forever.

³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love;

³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.



Gospel

- The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter. L
- С Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet²³and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.

³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha cum*," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

- L The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Responses to the Word: Song, Creed and Confession

Hymn Sing

As a response to God's word, we will sing songs of praise and thanksgiving. Choose your favorite hymn and let the organist know – as long as it's in the book!

There is no sermon this morning.

As the singing concludes, the leaders gather near the baptismal font for the Creed.

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.

The Confession of Sins

L God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Silence for reflection and self examination.

- L Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
- L May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.
- C Amen

Peace

Stand

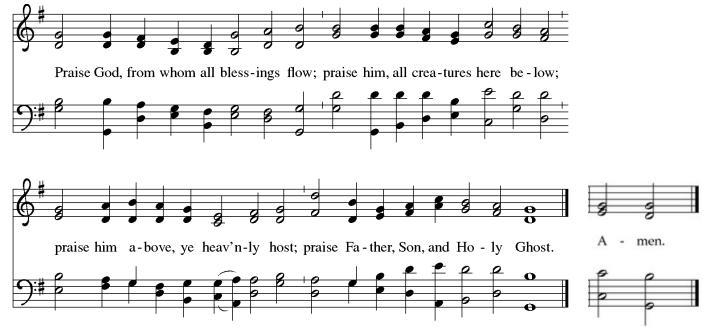
- L Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.
- L The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

The ministers and assembly share a sign of Christ's peace.

Offering

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

An offering is received to support the ministry of the church. We stand to sing:



- A Let us pray. Merciful God,
- C in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you embrace our lives with your great love for humanity. With joy and gladness we ask that these gifts may be for many a sign of that love, and that we may continue to share in your divine life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Prayers of Intercession

A Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

A brief silence.

Lord God, you call your church to be one. Overcome our separations in the body of Christ and make us one people. Bless Elizabeth and Phyllis our bishops, Terri and Michael our pastors, and all who spread your Word, including our partners at Good Shepherd in Papua New Guinea. Hear us, O God.

- C Your mercy is great.
- A Lord God, you have blessed these United States of America with liberty and prosperity. Grant us also a spirit of Christian charity, that we may live together in peace and mutual understanding. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A Lord God, your compassion continually reaches into the lives of your people. Visit those afflicted in any way, especially those threatened by war, weather, poverty and disease (*especially* ...). Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- A Lord God, you raised Jesus from the dead and promise to raise us with him and bring us into his presence. We remember those who have died (*especially*), and we thank you for your steadfast love and power to redeem. Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.
- A By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

- L Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- 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

Blessing

- L May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill us with every spiritual blessing.
- C Amen
- L May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant us to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.
- C Amen
- L May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen

Sending Song

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

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Dismissal

- A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

