# The Divine Service The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17, 2022

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Our prayers are filled with "just one more thing" that we ask of God. Crowded into the prayers of God's people are the manifold concerns and burdens of this mortal life. But from another perspective, it is not one more thing but one thing only. In the Gospel for today, we see the contrast between the many things occupying the attention and creating stress upon Martha and the one thing needful, which her sister, Mary, has recognized. It is this one thing to which we are called today, and it is the key to finding our way through the stresses, burdens, and concerns that complicate our lives of faith.

# WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor:

In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People:

Amen.

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor:

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People:

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.

Pastor:

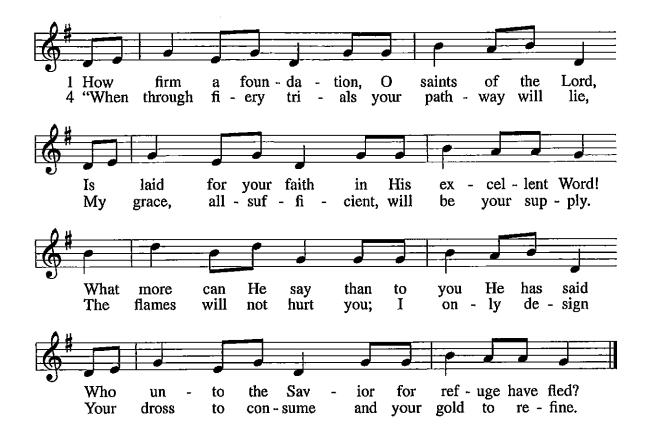
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion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

day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People:

Amen.

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN "How Firm a Foundation" LSB 728, verses 1 & 4



#### **GREETING**

Pastor:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion

of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

KYRIE Mark 10:47

**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



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



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.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



#### THIS IS THE FEAST



#### **SALUTATION**

2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor:

Let us pray. In Your great and abundant mercy, O Lord, You have redeemed the world through the death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and by that same mercy, You have redeemed each of us by His blood. Grant that we daily grow in faith and thanksgiving for Your kindness toward us and that we devote ourselves to the work of making known that saving grace to the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

People: Amen.

#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

Gen. 18:1-10a (10b-14)

Reader: <sup>1</sup> The Lord appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth <sup>3</sup>and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, <sup>5</sup>while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. <sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." <sup>10</sup>The Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son."

People: Thanks be to God.

Colossians 1:21-29

#### THE EPISTLE

<sup>21</sup>You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister. <sup>24</sup>Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup>of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup>the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup>To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup>Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup>For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



#### **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 10:38-42

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the tenth chapter.

People: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." <sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.** 

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

"I Love You Lord"

#### **CHORUS**

I love You Lord; And I lift my voice To worship You; O my soul rejoice Take joy my King; In what You hear May it be a sweet sweet sound; In Your ear

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SERMON

"Listen to Live...and Live to Listen"

**Pastor Scott Henze** 

#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

People:

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

Petitions end, "Lord in your mercy" Congregation responds, "Hear Our Prayer"

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us, through

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: Amen.

A word about Holy Communion: We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.

#### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

#### **PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

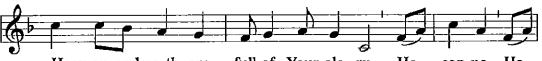
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### PROPER PREFACE

#### **SANCTUS**

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9





Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -







#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor:

Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People:

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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

Pastor:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People:

And also with you.

The minister and congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord.



#### **DISTRIBUTION MUSIC**

#### "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

LSB 807



- 1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, My heart, a wak ing, cries, 2 When mirth for mu sic longs, This is my song of songs:
- 3 No love-lier an ti phon In all high heav'n is known
- 4 Ye na-tions of man-kind, In this your con-cord find:
- 5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,



"May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
"May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
Then "Je sus Christ be praised!"

Than "Je-sus Christ be praised!"
"May Je-sus Christ be praised!"
Sing, "Je-sus Christ be praised!"

When eve-ning shad-ows fall, God's ho - ly house of prayer There to the e-ter - nal Word Let all the earth a - round God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,



This rings my cur-few call: Hath none that can com-pare The e-ter-nal psalm is heard: Ring joy-ous with the sound: Both now and ev-er-more "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
With "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
"May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
"May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!





#### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

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"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" LSB 576, verses 1 & 4 1 Mv hope is built noth - ing less Than on 4 When Нe shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, No Je - sus' blood and of righ - teous - ness; mer - it be found, Clothed in His righ - teous may I then in Him claim But whol ly lean Je - sus' name. own on a - lone, Re - deemed stand be - fore ness His throne! to Refrain On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All oth - er ground is

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sink - ing sand.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as.... **Disciples making disciples.** Pastor:

People:

Go in peace and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** Pastor:

People:

If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with a member of our prayer team.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## Mark your calendars!

All are welcome at St. Paul. There is something for every age! Invite your friends and neighbors!

August 7

**College Sending Service/Youth Gathering Sunday** 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM–All college students are invited for this special blessing before you head back to school. Also come hear the witness of the youth who attended summer the National Youth Gathering and Spoke Folk Biking Tour.

August 14

**Blessing of the Backpacks!** All students bring their backpacks this day for a special blessing.

August 24

**St. Paul Child Enrichment Center Preschool Begins** – Preschool classes for children ages 18 months through 4 years old. Space is filling fast!

August 28

**Volunteer Training -** We need you! Come learn to be an usher, serve communion or assist with the altar guild.

September 10

**Discovering Life With God** - This one day class is a great introduction to what Lutheran's believe or teach. It is open to anyone wanting to deepen their faith or as a pathway to membership at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Saturday, October 8

**First Communion Instruction,** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM for youth 10 years old or in 5th grade. This one day class instructs students in the meaning of Holy Communion. Children will be invited to take their first communion on Sunday, October 9.

**Sunday, October 9** 

**Blessing of the Animals!** 4:00 PM; All are invited to bring your pet for this special blessing in honor of St. Francis Day.

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GO to www.stpaulweston.org for all the latest information.

# **SAVE THE DATE**

# **Calling all Students!**

Sunday, August 14 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

All children bring your backpack to church for a special blessing before the new school year begins!



## LET CHRIST'S SACRIFICE MOVE YOU TO LOVE AS HE LOVED, TO GIVE YOURSELF AS HE GAVE.

"Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" (Ephesians 5:1).





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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for children and Youth at 9:45 AM Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM