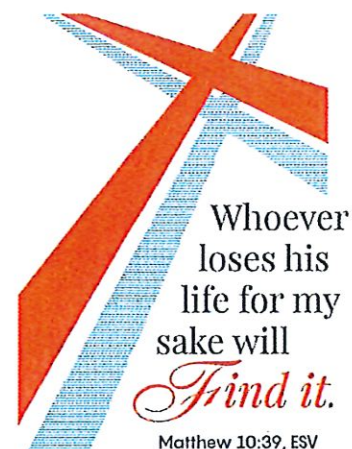


**The Divine Service**  
**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 28, 2020**



**AS WE GATHER**

A battle has been raging over the centuries between those who ignore the hard truth that we are sinners, hopeless by ourselves, and those who have realized the real good that our Lord has graciously won for us. At the time of Jeremiah, self-proclaimed prophets such as Hananiah preached a false peace even as Israel was in exile in Babylon. In Paul's day, members of the Early Church thought freedom from God's Law meant they could ignore it. And when Jesus was calling new disciples, He warned that following Him would mean "a sword" coming between them and even members of their families. In Christ, the peace that only God can bestow has been given to us by grace. Because of the truly good news of Jesus' death and resurrection, we can face the hard truth of our sinfulness and then sing with the psalmist of the real good, "the steadfast love of the LORD, forever" (Psalm 89:1).

**Call to Worship**

**Words of Welcome/Theme of the Day**

**Invocation**

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the (✠) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
People: **Amen.**

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

**Confession and Absolution**

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
People: **who made heaven and earth.**

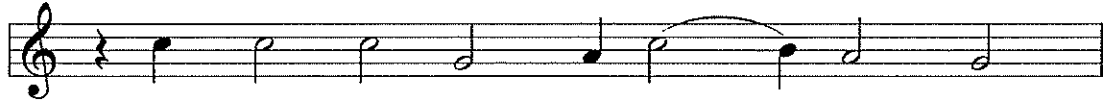
Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
People: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

Pastor: Because we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition and have sinned in thought, word, and deed, let us employ the faith the Holy Spirit has given us and go to our gracious heavenly Father, asking His forgiveness for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
People: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God has given His only Son to bear the punishment of our sins on the cross so that we might know the peace of His presence now and the joys of heaven hereafter. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (✠) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

**Processional Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"** LSB 656 verses 1 & 2



1 A might - y for - tress is our God,  
2 With might of ours can naught be done,



A trust - y shield and weap - on;  
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;



He helps us free from ev - 'ry need  
But for us fights the val - iant One,



That hath us now o'er - tak - en.  
Whom God Him - self e - lect - ed.



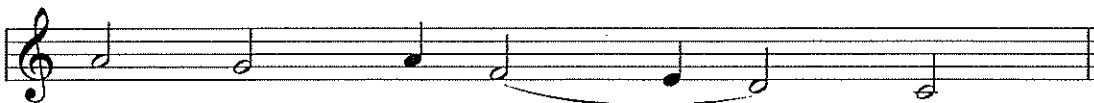
The old e - vil foe Now means  
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus



dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might  
Christ it is, Of Sab - a - oth Lord,



Are his dread arms in fight; On earth  
And there's none oth - er God; He holds



is the not field his e - qual.  
the field for - ev - er.

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

## Old Testament

*Jeremiah 28:5-9*

Pastor: <sup>5</sup>Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, <sup>6</sup>and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. <sup>7</sup>Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup>The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*Romans 7:1-13*

Pastor: Do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

**People:**           **What then shall we say? That the law is sin?**

Pastor:           By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law, sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

**People:**           **Did that which is good, then, bring death to me?**

Pastor:           By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

Pastor:           This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:**           **Thanks be to God.**

## **Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 10:34-42*

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

**People:**           **Glory to You, O Lord.**

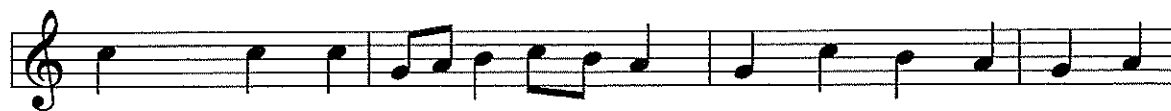
<sup>34</sup>[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup>And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. <sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. <sup>38</sup>And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup>"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. <sup>41</sup>The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. <sup>42</sup>And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

Pastor:           This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:**           **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" LSB 657 Verses 1 & 2 (Spanish)



1 Cas - ti - llo fuer-te es nues - tro Dios, de - fen - sa y buen es -  
2 Nues - tro va - lor es na - da a - quí, con él to - do es per -



cu - do; con su po - der nos li - bra - rá en es - te  
di - do; mas por nos - o - tros pug - na - rá de Dios el



tran-ce a - gu - do. Con fu - ria y con a - fán a - có - sa -  
es - co - gi - do. ¿Sa - béis quién es? Je - sús, el que ven -



nos Sa - tán; por ar - mas de - ja ver as -  
ció en la cruz, Se - ñor de Sa - ba - ot, y



tu - cia y gran po - der: cual él no hay en la tie - rra.  
pues él só - lo es Dios, él triun - fa en la ba - ta - lla.

Sermon "How Bout a Glass of Water?"

Pastor Scott Henze

### Apostle's 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"*

## Gathering of Gifts

### 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.

### 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.**

## Benediction

### Recessional Verse "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" *LSB 657 verses 3 & 4*



3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land All threat-'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, No thanks to foes, who



your us, We trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; They can - not  
fear it; For God Him - self fights by our side With weap - ons



o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage; In bat - tle  
of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house, Goods, hon - or,

we'll en - gage. His might is doomed to fail; God's  
child, or spouse, Though life be wrenched a - way, They

judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him,  
can - not win the day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## Dismissal

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as...

**People: Disciples making disciples.**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*Amen!*

*Thank you for worshiping with us today. We hope and pray you had a chance to see Christ in a very personal and real way. If you have a prayer request or would like to talk to the pastor or one of our Stephen Ministers contact the church office at 954-384-9096 or by email at [office@stpaulweston.org](mailto:office@stpaulweston.org).*

# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**TODAY, Sunday, June 28**

Via Zoom at 1:00 PM

Agenda: Presentation and vote of new Governing Board Members

Join Zoom Meeting

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