



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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PRELUDE "America The Beautiful" Bells Video

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Giving Tree

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever. Let Israel say:
"His love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say: "His love endures forever."

Let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "You Are My All in All" #519

You are my strength when I am weak,
you are the treasure that I seek, you are my all in all.

When I fall down you pick me up, when I am dry you fill my cup, you are my all in all.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! 3x

CALL TO CONFESSION and CONFESSION

The Lord has taught us: that what we do to the least of God's children, we do to our Lord Jesus. Let us come together to ask for the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, confessing the sins that pull us away from the will of God, saying Lord you are merciful, **have mercy on me.**

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. Lord you are merciful, **have mercy on me.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not welcomed the nations as our siblings in Christ. Lord you are merciful, **have mercy on me.**

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, and help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your way, to the glory of your holy name. Lord you are merciful, **have mercy on me.**

HYMN OF FORGIVENESS "No Longer Slaves," vs. 2 Annabel Stavey
From my mother's womb You have chosen me Love has called my name I've been born again Into
your family Your blood flows through my veins I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God.
I'm no longer a slave to fear I am a child of God.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Peter's Vision Reading by Jon O'Connell

READING Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

SERMON

Rev. Marie Mainard O’Connell

COMMENTARY by Gilberto Ruiz at workingpreacher.org for Luther Seminary

NICENE CREED

According to our Book of Common worship, the Nicene Creed is ordinarily used whenever we celebrate the Lord’s Supper, as one of our earliest expressions of our faith in the fully Triune God. Let us rise now together to confess our faith, saying the words you see on the screen – they may be new to you, but let them wash over you in their ancient grandeur.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son, is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in the holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray to the Lord, saying together **Lord, have mercy on the nations.**

For peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, for the peace of the world, for the unity of the church, for the well being of all peoples; for this faithful gathering, for all who worship and praise, for who serve the church, let us pray to the Lord, **Lord, have mercy on the nations.**

For our president, and the leaders of nations, for all in authority; for this city and every city and community, and for those who live in them; for seasonable weather, for abundant harvests to share, for the good earth that God has given us, and the wisdom and will to conserve it: let us pray to the Lord, **Lord, have mercy on the nations.**

For those who suffer under the global pandemic, and those who care for them through treatment or public policy; for the aged and infirm, for those widowed or orphaned, for those who have lost children, for the lonely. For the sick and the suffering, and those displaced by violence let us pray to the Lord, **Lord, have mercy on the nations.**

For the poor and oppressed, for the unemployed and underemployed, for the destitute, prisoner and captive, and for all who remember and care for them. Lord, deliver us in this time of need, protect those at risk, and help us to assist our neighbors next door or in another country. For all who have died before us, whom we pray are now at rest, let us pray to the Lord, **Lord, have mercy on the nations.**

Bless us now, as we turn to your holy communion, giving thanks for all you have done and will do to make the name of Christ known to all.

COMMUNION LITURGY AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.**

Holy God, creator of heaven and earth and lover of our souls...

...Empower us to pray as Christ taught us, saying

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, they 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.

COMMUNION HYMN

“For Everyone Born”

#769

For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread,
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share,
With wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that’s fair,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: Yes,
God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
In anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be,
And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

GIVING OF OUR OFFERINGS AND TITHES

In freedom and joy, let us present the offerings of our lives to the Lord. You may choose to give by dropping off your offering in the plate as you exit worship in the sanctuary, or by mailing your offerings to the church, or giving online. Your gifts maintain our ministries, and make it possible to help others in need.

If you know of someone in need—physical, financial, emotional or spiritual...especially if it is yourself, please speak with our pastor or the elder for Congregational Care, Mary Henry.

*Doxology “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” Video

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low!

Praise God above ye heavenly host!

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

PRAYER

HYMN OF SENDING “In Christ There Is No East Or West” #3

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north.
All Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

PASSING THE PEACE, CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

“The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD’s face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.”

POSTLUDE

“O Beautiful For Spacious Skies”

#338