



LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith

June 30, 2019

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL GREETING

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (*please rise as you are able*)

P. We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen!**

P. God's faithful love endures forever and ever. Because of God's everlasting goodness,
C. we offer God our thanks and praise.

P. God's faithful love endures forever and ever. Because of God's care and concern for humanity,

C. we offer God our thanks and praise.

P. God's faithful love endures for ever and ever. Because of God's transforming powers and actions,

C. we gather as a community of faith and trust in God—and we offer God our thanks and praise.

ALL: TOGETHER LET US WORSHIP GOD! AMEN.

GATHERING SONG "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P. Most merciful God,

C. We confess that we are in bondage 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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Congregational response: **AMEN**

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG "Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FIRST LESSON

R. The first lesson is from the book of 2 Corinthians, chapter 5, verses 6-10, and 14-17:

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

R. This is the word of the Lord ***C. Thanks be to God.***

RESPONSIVE PSALM R. The responsive Psalm is Psalm 92: 1-4 and 12-15:

R. It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

C. ² to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,

R. ³to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

C. ⁴ For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

R. ¹²The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

C. ¹³ They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God.

R. ¹⁴They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,

C. ¹⁵ to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

R. Here ends the reading of the Psalm. Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON (Please rise as you are able)

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 4th chapter, verses 26-34:

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." ³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." ³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were

able to hear it. ³⁴ He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

P. This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

SERMON SONG "Go Tell It On the Mountain"

MESSAGE Pastor Michael Birnbaum

OFFERING AND PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.** P. Let us pray, **C. We offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*Following general prayers, you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud.
Please close your prayer concern with "Lord in your mercy".*

HOLY COMMUNION

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P. It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending proclamation: **C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,**

My heart, my heart adores You!

My heart is glad to say, the words:

You are holy, Lord!

Communion Prayer, Consecration of Elements, Lord's Prayer

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We welcome everyone to the Lord's Table who shares the Biblical belief that He is present (1 Cor. 10:16) and our sins are being forgiven as He promises (Matt.26:28). This sacrament is a truly wonderful opportunity to share this miracle and our oneness as the Body of Christ together! (1Cor. 10:17-18)

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" (*please rise as you are able*)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING/BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG "This is Amazing Grace"

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. ***C. Thanks be to God!***
God Bless You! Invite a friend or relative to worship with us!



COMING UP:

- **June 14 and 16-BIBLICAL CITIZENSHIP CLASS**
church open @ 5:30, class begins @ 6
- June 16, 23- Men's Bible Study and Breakfast 9 AM at church
- June 19-Women's Bible Study at church 9:30-10:30
- **June 20-FATHER'S DAY**
- **June 21 and 23-BIBLICAL CITIZENSHIP CLASS**
church open @ 5:30, class begins @ 6
- June 24-Blessed and Unstoppable-no meetings scheduled in June
- **June 28 and 30-BIBLICAL CITIZENSHIP CLASS**
church open @ 5:30, class begins @ 6
- **July 4-Pastor Brandon joins us!**
- July 5-Council meeting at church 5 pm

Come Now Is the Time to Worship

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
For those who gladly choose You now

Come, come just as you are come come
Worship the Lord, Come

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Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Chorus

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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Thank the Lord and Sing His Praise

Thank the Lord and sing His praise.
tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice
and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises
and leads His people forth in joy
With shouts of thanksgiving.
Al-le-luia, al-le-luia.

Divine Service One, The Lutheran Service Book, CPH 2006

This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done
for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Chorus

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy

Chorus

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Go Tell It on the Mountain

Chorus Go tell it on the mountain
Over the hills and ev'rywhere
Go tell it on the mountain

That Jesus Christ is born
While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light

Chorus

The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Savior's birth

Chorus

Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn

Chorus

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