



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Brenda Wicklund

June 19, 2022 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“We are called by God to grow in faith together, sharing Christ’s love with each other and our community”

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Welcome to Worship this morning. We will be sharing Holy Communion. Communion will be given two ways, you can either come up front and receive from Pastor, or you can pick up the convenient cup/wafer before the service and receive at your seat.

Reminder; we are videoing “live”.



“This Sunday’s texts paint startling pictures of the horrific nature of sin. The church’s repeated celebration of holy communion counters that tragic reality in a continued showing forth of the death of Jesus until he comes again. It is a dramatic declaration of “how much God has done for you.”

**Prelude
Welcome**

Joann Richards

Hymn “Rise, Shine, You People!”

Red Worship Book 665

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.
- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation God's new creation.

Confession and Forgiveness

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

L: Merciful God,

we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

L: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

C: Amen.

Kyrie

Refrain

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the

2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the

3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for

4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for

hun-gry and the poor; that

friends and fam-i-ly; for

wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,

we may live out truth and jus-tice and grace,

life and for love, for our work and our play,

nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Prayer of Day

C: O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The prophet announces God's impatience. The people's self-absorption is idolatry, and images of practices that displease God fill this reading. Like a vintner who crushes the grape to release the wine, God will use Israel's exile to establish a new community of the faithful.

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:1-9

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name.

²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices;

³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks;

⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels;

⁵who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long.

⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions.

⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all.

⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Psalm 22:19-28

L: But you, O LORD, be not far away;

C: O my help, hasten to my aid.

L: Deliver me from the sword,

C: my life from the power of the dog.

L: Save me from the lion's mouth!

C: From the horns of wild bulls you have rescued me.

L: I will declare your name to my people;

C: in the midst of the assembly I will praise you.

L: You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's line, give glory.

C: Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off-spring of Israel.

L: For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hidden from them;

C: but when they cry out, ¹ the LORD hears them.

L: From you comes my praise in the great assembly;

C: I will perform my vows in the sight of those who fear the LORD.

L: The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

C: Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts live forever!

L: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;

C: all the families of nations shall bow before God.

L: For dominion belongs to the LORD,

C: who rules over the nations.

For Paul, baptism is a powerful bond that unites people not only with God but with other believers. Those who call themselves children of God experience a transformation that removes prejudices of race, social class, or gender in favor of true unity in Christ.

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed.

²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

Glory to you, O Lord (Spoken)

Red Worship Book pg. 143

Jesus' mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God's mercy and power.

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he

did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of Our Lord

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C: Praise to you, O Christ. (spoken)

Children’s Sermon

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Sermon

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Hymn “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

Red Worship Book 841

- 1 Lift ev’ry voice and sing till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise high as the list’ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.
- 2 Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast’ning rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died; yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our parents sighed? We have come over a way that with tears has been watered; we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
- 3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

Offering/Hymn “We Are an Offering”

Red Worship Book 692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices. Lord, use our hands. Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

Offering Prayer

L: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. **C: Amen**

Prayers of Intercession

L: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

L: Holy God, you hear the cries of those who seek you. Equip your church with evangelists who reveal the continuous call of your outstretched hands and your promises of a home in you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You hear the cries of the earth. Restore places where land, air, and waterways have been harmed. Guide us to develop and implement sources of energy and food production that do not destroy the earth. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You hear the cries of those who are marginalized or cast out. On this Juneteenth observance, guide us continually toward the end of oppression in all its forms, especially white supremacy. Bring true freedom and human flourishing to all your beloved children. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You hear the cries of those who suffer. Come to the aid of all who are homeless, naked, hungry, and sick. Bring peace to any experiencing mental illness, that they can clearly recognize your loving presence. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: You hear the cries of those who celebrate and those who grieve on this Father's Day. Nurture mutual love and tender care in all relationships. Comfort those for whom this day brings sadness or longing. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

L: We give thanks for the faithful departed whose lives proclaimed all you had done for them. At the last, unite us with them as we make our home in you. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

L: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

C:Amen.

Word of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Red Worship Book pg. 145

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.

Communion Hymn "Come, Let Us Eat"

Red Worship Book 491

- 1 (Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,) come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. (Our Lord's body let us take together,) our Lord's body let us take together.
- 2 (Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,) come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. (Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,) Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.
- 3 (In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,) in Jesus' presence now we meet and rest. (In the presence of our Lord we gather,) in the presence of our Lord we gather.
- 4 (Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,) rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word. (Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,) Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

Communion Hymn "For the Bread Which You Have Broken"

Red Worship Book 494

- 1 For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
- 2 By this promise that you love us, by your gift of peace restored, by your call to heav'n above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.
- 3 With the saints who now adore you, seated at the heav'nly board, may the church still waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.
- 4 In your service, Lord, defend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you send us

let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Blessing

L: The God of peace, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **C: Amen.**

Hymn "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" **Red Worship Book 886**

- 1 Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.
- 3 The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease, sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.

Dismissal

Go in Peace. Love your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

the worship is ended ... let the service begin...



****The Noisy offering for this month is for Backpack Program, there will be a bowl as you exit the church.****

Next Week's Readings and Psalm

First Reading

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalm

Psalm 16

Second Reading

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Gospel

Luke 9:51-62



Prayer Concerns and Sympathy ~ Lana Jensen, Wally Guptill, Connie Odendahl, Jacob Roubinek, Rev. Mike Pancoast, Rev. Ericka Foss, Karen Johnson (mother of Jamie and Amy Johnson), Leigha Ness, Marie Sigler (niece of Virgil and Joyce Seegebarth), Yvonne Guptill, Drew (Mindy's brother), Reverend Norm Belland, Marsha Skoog (friend of Patty Sweeny) and Alysa McFadden (daughter of Robert and Pat Anderson).

For our members in care facilities ~Ruta Kalnins and Dorothy Svendsen.

For Health Care Workers, Firefighters, EMT's, those who serve to protect Policemen and women and military.

For world peace. For our companion synods.

For our missionaries: Jacqueline and Patrick Bencke



We express our Christian sympathy to the family of Delores Wachsmuth (mother and mother-in-law of Tom and Donna Wachsmuth.) May they know the consolation of your love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord and give them peace.

Announcements/Calendar

Sun. 8:30 Coffee Fellowship; 9:30 am Worship/HC.

Mon.-Thurs. Vacation Bible School 5-7:30 pm.

Mon. July Newsletter Deadline.

Tues. 9:30 am Women's Bible Study.

Wed. 7:30 pm Mission Trip meeting after VBS.

Thurs. 8 am Men's Text Study.

Sat. 8 pm AA mtg.

Sun. 8:30 am Coffee Fellowship; 9:30 am Worship/HC; Church Council after Worship in Library; Fellowship Hall being used by Shawn Denton Noon-4pm; Paige Denton's graduation party 1-3 pm.



First Lutheran Vacation Bible School 2022

June 20th –23rd from 5– 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a wonderful week of learning God's word through music, crafts, games, and fun lessons.

Dinner will be provided nightly. Invite friends!

Registration is on the VBS table in Narthex.



*Open House for Paige Denton's Graduation,
Sunday, June 26th from 1-3 pm. at
First Lutheran Church-Fellowship Hall.*

Fellowship Night-Take Me Out to the Ball Game

Wednesday, June 29th -Brennan Field

Meet at 6:30 for games and concessions.

Game time 7:30 pm.

FLC has the party desk reserved and a concession deal for \$ 3 (hot dog, chips, and pop.)

Everyone is welcome and admission to the game is FREE!!

We will have treat bags and fun prizes and games.



Please join us at the
First Lutheran Corn and Carnival Food stand ,
Friday, July 8th or Saturday, July 9th to help support
the youth.

Sign-up is on the table in the Narthex, this is always a great time to rekindle old friendships, see family members, support the youth and have something good to eat!



Thank you to those who painted the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall-Don Peterson, Diane and Jim Ausmus, Paul Shober, Ron Jensen, Donna and Tom Wachsmuth-
It looks beautiful! Job well done!

Church Council will be Sunday, June 26 after Worship in Library due to conflict.



A Father and a Dad Are Not the Same

A father and a dad are not the same:
One can be a dad and not a father,
Or one can be a father and not bother
To earn through love the more endearing name.
Some find fatherhood a bit too tame,
Leaving all the details to the mother,
Or dumping the sweet burden on another
Man with just a passing twinge of shame.
You have been our dad so many years
That you've become the landscape that is home,
The mountain that we look to from afar.
No matter where we go we're not alone,
For you remain within to still our fears
And be the word that tells us where we are.

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day