

Pentecost 8 July 14, 2024

Prelude *Steal Away, arr. by Lani Smith c. 1982 by Lorenz Publishing Co. in the August 1982 issue of "The Organ Portfolio"*

Announcements

Confession and Absolution

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L Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
C Amen.

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

L Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,

All: We confess that we are captive 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.

L In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God Forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing ELW 807

Apostolic Greeting

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

Gloria

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L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

All: Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father . Amen.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you

C **And also with you**

L Let us pray. O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

⁷ This is what [the Lord GOD] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸ And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; ⁹ the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." ¹⁰ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. ¹¹ For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹² And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; ¹³ but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." ¹⁴ Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, ¹⁵ and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'" Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **C Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 85: 8-13 *chanted responsively*

⁸ I will listen to what the LORD | God is saying;
for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their | hearts to you.

⁹ **Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who fear you,
that your glory may dwell | in our land.**

¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness have | met together;
righteousness and peace have | kissed each other.

¹¹ **Faithfulness shall spring up | from the earth,
and righteousness shall look | down from heaven.**

¹² The LORD will indeed | grant prosperity,
and our land will | yield its increase.

¹³ **Righteousness shall go be- | fore the LORD
and shall prepare for | God a pathway.**



Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. Holy Wisdom Holy Word **C Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

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C Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel according to Mark in the 6th Chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴ King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

¹⁷ For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²² When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." ²³ And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." ²⁴ She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." ²⁵ Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷ Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸ brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day Let Justice Flow Like Streams ELW 717

Installation of New Members Tamra & William Perry

Hymn 752 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying Marcia plays brief intro, then we sing once.

Prayers of the Church

- L Caring for one another in all circumstances, we earnestly pray for our neighbors in any need.
- AM For those who witness to God's love in the face of danger, Lord in your mercy,
C Hear our prayer.
- AM For the whole human race, that whatever struggles they face, they may seek God's healing presence, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For our wounded world, that it may be restored and that we may be agents of its restoration, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For the victims of war, especially the children – those who die, those who lose loved ones, those traumatized by what they have seen - that we may seek to build a world which does not forsake the young, Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For ourselves, that our grateful hearts may overflow in generosity. Lord in your mercy, **C Hear our prayer.**
- AM For any needs you now lift In silence or out loud.... Lord in your mercy,
C Hear our prayer.
- L For all these and any other needs, we offer our prayers in the name of Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

Sharing the Peace

- P The peace of Christ be with you always. **C And also with you.**
Please share a sign of God's peace.

The Offering is received and the table is prepared.

The Anthem is sung

Praise God: Words & music by Robert T. McAlpine Arr. by Don Besig

My Lord and God he leadeth me. He is my strength everyday, when I am filled with hopelessness, he will show me the way. And I will praise God, praise God, praise the Lord my God by the morning light. I know that my God is filled with love. He knows my thoughts when I pray, when I pray. He takes my prayers and he uses them in his own special way. And I will praise God, praise God, praise the Lord my God by the morning light. And I will praise God, praise God, praise the Lord my God every night. And when I see all the gifts of God, things that he does just for me; leaves of autumn and green of spring show me God's love is free. Praise God, praise God, praise the Lord my God by the morning light. And I will praise God, praise God, praise the Lord my God every night. I will praise my God day and night!

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

The Leader speaks an Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving –

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L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Proper Preface is spoken or chanted.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader continues with the Great Thanksgiving.

LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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**

The Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

All are welcome to the table of the Lord.

Communion is distributed.

Communion 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus, arr. by Ron Loree c. 1989 by Lorenz Publishing Co. in "The Impromptu Pianist"

Post Communion Prayer

L Let us pray. O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Benediction

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L The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **C Amen.**

L The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C Amen.**

L The God of all grace bless you now and forever. **C Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

ELW 840

Dismissal

AM Go now in peace, to love, and serve the Lord and your neighbors.

C Thanks be to God

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God (Sigfrid Karg-Elert), arr. by Dorothy Wells c. 1982 by Lorenz Publishing Co. in the June 1982 issue of "The Organ Portfolio"*

Please allow a time of reflective silence during the postlude.



Around the Church

July 15	Chris. Ed Meeting Council	6:00 pm 7:00 pm
July 18	VBS Work shop	4:00 pm
August 5	Vacation Bible School Begins	9:00 am
August 10	2nd Saturday Craft Fair & Farmer's Market Concert	10:00 am 5:30 pm

*Bible Studies 6pm most Tuesdays Zoom &
10 am most Wednesdays in person*

Tai Chi 11:00 am Wednesdays
Quilting Group 1:00 pm Wednesdays



Offerings Summary:
Needed Weekly \$4,948
Actually Received \$3,968
Shortfall (\$980)
YTD Shortfall (\$48,082)

Minimalist bulletin

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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below.

Kay Ackley	Lynn Killingbeck	Roman Radzins
Francine Ahrens	Marilyn Killingbeck	Jonathan Richard
Peggy Ali	Jason Lashbrook	Louise Roche
Joyce Almsted	John Lewis	Judy Schaller
Phil Bascetta	David Little	Rosemary & Otto Schibi
Eli Boda	Rebecca Little	Teri Seleman
Cherie Brown	Linda Lundberg	George Shank
Sharon Cable	Charlotte Madia	Sigrid Smitley
Carol Cianciolo	Audrey & Ernie Marquard	Paul Smith
Cheryl Corey	Abigail Marine	Jennifer Stella
Leif Dallaire	Eric Marine	Deb & Jon Sterling
Emily Decker	Michael Marine	RuthAnn Stone
Linda Dellano	Richard Marine	Julia Thompson Carroll
Carla Derrickson	Janis Martin	Ed
Sigrid Devita	Mike Martin	Jen O.
Irene Douglas	Gil & Marilyn Martin	Jaiden
Judy Elliott	Michael Meyers	Diane H.
Mark Ebbeskotte	Rich Minelli	Steve
Jan Eucallito	Kate Merrow	Lou W.
Bruce & Liz Falls	Pat Mosimann	Curtis
Ashley Friday	Brigitte Mueller	Steve
Rosemarie Foth	Bill Muhl	Jack W.
Joan Gerard	Dennis Nalette	Todd
Ruth Grech	Karen Ness	Robert K.
Jack & Barbara Heintz	Tom O'Brien	<u>Family and friends of</u>
Kathleen Hilton	Lea Orriola & family	Selma Boscarino
Shannon Hilton	Russell Palmer	Marty Russell
Jake Hoadley	Maria Payne	<u>Our Nursing Home Members</u>
Erma Horn	Dr. Barbara Rose Ponse	Dee Gammon
Amy Rose Jensen	Jack Quinn	Midge Rosenbeck
Eunice Jones	Jackie Quinn Wassik	Calvin Bensch
Ed Killingbeck	Caroline Quintal	

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above all Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn
Eric Beyus
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Jr.
Eric Bremer

Peter Hutchinson
S/W Anderson James Ernst USCG
SPC Dominic Boscarino
PVT Noah Braatz
PVT 2 Christian Braatz

2024 Concert Series



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Date	Band
July 13	South Road
August 10	Stay Tuned Band
September 14	Brother Other
October 12	Potter's Field
November 9	Maximum Dosage

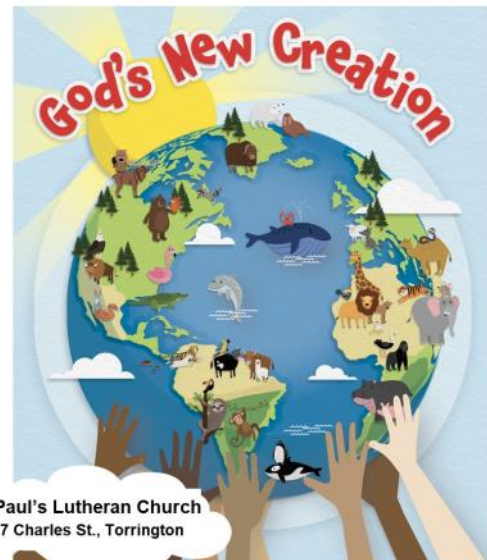
Tickets available Mon.—Fri. at the church office, Sunday mornings prior to the service or at the event.

\$10 for 13+ \$5 for 6-12 under 6 are free

All shows begin at 5:30 pm Light refreshments available for purchase or bring a picnic.



SAVE THE DATE!



St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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Vacation Bible School 2024

August 5 - 9, 2024

9am – 12pm

For all children ages 4 (by 9/1/2024) – Grade 5

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Registrations available soon

