Service of Holy Communion Fifth Sunday after Pentecost June 27, 2021 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE	"Prelude in G Major"	- J.S. Bach
"Joyf	ul, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	- Laura Wasson
"Let's Just Praise the Lord"		- Jim Curnow, arr.
James Cunningham, Trumpeter		

WELCOME

ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father and of the Son + of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to live forever. Give us at this moment your mercy, that we may confess our sin and receive your forgiveness, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may sit or kneel.

Most merciful God,

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.

In the mercy of almighty God Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ God gives the power to become the children of God, and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"

Red Book #617 stanzas 1 & 2

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, we implore you to hear the prayers of your people. Be our strong defense against all harm and danger, that we may live and grow in faith and hope, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE WORD

FIRST READING 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

David laments over the deaths of King Saul and his son Jonathan, who was a beloved friend of David's. David mourns for Saul, the first king of Israel, even though Saul tried to kill him on several occasions. Though deeply flawed, Saul was still God's anointed.

¹After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag.

¹⁷David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. ¹⁸(He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said:

¹⁹Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places!

How the mighty have fallen!

²⁰Tell it not in Gath,

proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon;

or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice,

the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult.

²¹You mountains of Gilboa,

let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more. ²²From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty.

²³Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

²⁴O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel.

²⁵How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle!

Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. ²⁶I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

²⁷How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 130 read responsively

¹Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

²O LORD, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. ³If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

⁴Yet with you is forgiveness,

in order that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;

in your word is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,

more than those who keep watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

⁸For the LORD shall redeem Israel

from all their sins.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Paul encourages the Corinthians to honor their commitment to participate in the collection his churches are organizing for the Christians in Jerusalem. He presents Jesus as an example of selfless stewardship and reminds them that Christians have received abundantly so that they can share abundantly.

⁷Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something — ¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has — not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much,

and the one who had little did not have too little."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation may stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION sung by choir

GOSPEL Mark 5:21-43

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, the fifth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jairus, a respected leader, begs Jesus to heal his daughter. A woman with a hemorrhage was considered ritually unclean and treated as an outcast. Both Jairus and the unnamed woman come to Jesus in faith, believing in his power to heal and bring life out of death.

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?' " ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's

house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON

HYMN

"We Come to You for Healing, Lord" Red Book #617 stanzas 3 & 4

The congregation may stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

O God, for the church around the world we pray, for congregations without pastoral leadership, for our sister congregations in Butler Area Lutheran Ministries, for Camp Lutherlyn. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations we pray, that governments learn the ways of peace and cooperation, that the poor receive food and shelter and respect, that gun violence and all prejudices come to an end. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For people who are hungry we pray, for starving children, for relief agencies, for the end to famine, and for an increase in generosity among us all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

For people who are sick and afflicted we pray, for children who are at the point of death, for persons who seek out medical care but receive no relief, and for those we name here before you. . .Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for all the faithful who have lived and died in the faith. We remember especially those whose identity or place made them invisible or marginalized within the church who nevertheless clung to Jesus as the source of life. We pray that at the end all your people will meet in the joy of your presence. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Into your hands, today and forever, we commit for all whom we pray, trusting in the grace made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling" - Donald Busarow James Cunningham, *Trumpeter*

The congregation may stand.

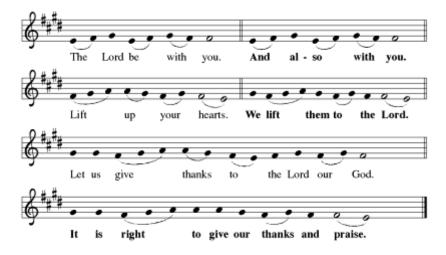
MEAL

OFFERING PRAYER

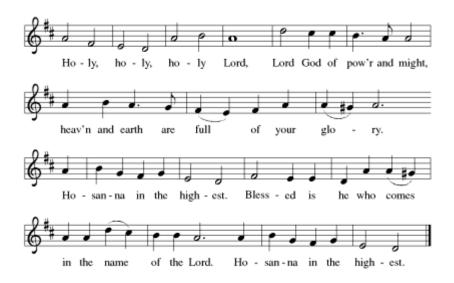
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...(*the presiding minister continues giving thanks*)...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father....(*the presiding minister continues giving thanks*)....For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

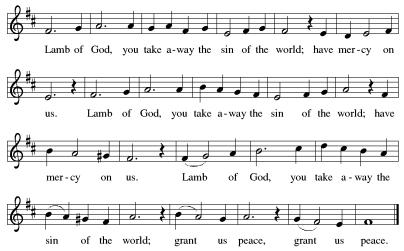
LORD'S PRAYER

Finally, as Jesus has taught us, we are bold to pray:
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.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The gifts of God for the people of God. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

LAMB OF GOD



The congregation may be seated.

SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT

All are welcome to Holy Communion today. Lutherans believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. The ushers will invite you forward to receive; please keep 6 feet of distance between you and the next group of communicants. Gluten free wafers are available; please let the pastor know if you wish to receive them. If you are able to receive either bread or wine (but not both), please know that you still receive the full communion.

The congregation may stand.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

	SENDING HYMN	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	Red Book #733
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DISMISSAL Go in peace, serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE "Andante"

- G.P. Telemann

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Pastor Kimberly van Driel	Presiding Minister
Linda Mathias	Assisting Minister
Judy Wadding	Reader
Christiaan van Driel	Crucifer
Signe Mitchell	Organist
Harry Cunningham	Senior Choir Director
Jim Cunningham	AV Assisting Minister
Heather Helsel	PowerPoint Assisting Minister
Roxanne Glagola	Altar Guild
Dan Morrow and Stan Graff	Ushers
Sue Morrow and Susan Farrell	Counters

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Brenda Ihlenfeld, in memory of Bill Ihlenfeld.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST ENGLISH

Monday, 6/28	5:00 PM	Community Dinner
	8:00 PM	NA Meeting
Wednesday, 6/30	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (Social Hall)
Thursday, 7/1	10:30 AM	Bible Study
	7:30 PM	NA Meeting
Saturday, 7/3	12:00 PM	NA Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vacation Bible School will take place August 5, 6 & 7 at the Dogwood Shelter at Camp Lutherlyn. Please email Sharon at <u>sharonfelc@zoominternet.net</u> for details.

We look forward to hearing your voice, your instrument, and musical talent as an important part of our worship! A Summer Music Schedule is posted in the Social Hall. Please consider signing your name on the schedule for one of the Sundays in June, July, or August. We look forward to hearing you at the church on your chosen Sunday. However, if you have concerns about attending in-person during the pandemic, please let us know if you would prefer to pre-record your selection of music in advance. Thank you for sharing your time and talent!

PRAYERS

Dave Konesni, Donna, the family of Rita Wagner, the family of Carol Duffus, Judy O. and family, Graham Cannon, Anne Ferguson, Claudia, Karen, Anita, Joyce Hall, Kitty Walker, Nancy Hoehn, Tad & Shirley Sellers, Aryl Bashline, Jenna, Tom Olson, Pam Patterson

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

The reign of David

Psalm 48

Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised, in the city of our God. (*Ps. 48:1*)

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

God's power made perfect in weakness Mark 6:1-13

Sending of the Twelve to preach and heal