

Service of Holy Communion
Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 26, 2022
10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

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| "Dialogue dur les grands jeux" | - Francois Couperin |
| "Adagio of Symphony 5" | - Charles-Marie Widor |
| "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" | - Robert Lau |

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the mercy of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.**

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.

Amen.

ANGEL'S STORY. 7 6, 7 6. D.

ARTHUR HENRY MANN, 1850-1929

In moderate time

FIRST TUNE

1. O Je - sus, I have prom - ised To serve thee to the end;
 2. O let me feel thee near me, The world is ev - er near;

Be thou for ev - er near me, My mas - ter and my friend;
 I see the sights that daz - zle, The tempt - ing sounds I hear;

I shall not fear the bat - tle If thou art by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, A - round me and with - in;

Nor wan - der from the path - way If thou wilt be my guide.
 But, Je - sus, draw thou near - er, And shield my soul from sin. A-men.

3 O let me hear thee speaking
 In accents clear and still,
 Above the storms of passion,
 The murmurs of self-will;
 O speak to reassure me,
 To hasten or control;
 O speak, and make me listen,
 Thou guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, thou hast promised
 To all who follow thee,
 That where thou art in glory
 There shall thy servant be;
 And, Jesus, I have promised
 To serve thee to the end;
 O give me grace to follow,
 My master and my friend. Amen.

John Ernest Bode, 1816-74

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.

GLORY TO GOD

page 139 in the front of the red book.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

The congregation may be seated.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

In the story preceding today's reading, the prophet Elijah flees for his life to the security of God's mountain. There God reveals to Elijah that there are still other faithful people in Israel and commissions him to anoint new leaders, including his own successor, Elisha.

¹⁵Then the Lord said to [Elijah,] "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.

¹⁹So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" ²¹He returned from following him,

took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 16 *read responsively*

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord,
“You are my Lord, my good above all other.”

²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after other gods
shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**

⁵O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;
it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;
indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸**I have set the Lord always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave,
nor let your holy one see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are
pleasures forevermore.

SECOND READING Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.

¹For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The congregation may stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



Music: Caribbean traditional

GOSPEL Luke 9:51-62

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, the ninth chapter.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.

⁵¹When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵²And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say

farewell to those at my home.” ⁶²Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON

The congregation may stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY “The Son of God, Our Christ” Red Book #584

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

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

The congregation may kneel or sit.

That you give your church the discernment to choose your kingdom in the face of competing loyalties, Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That you shower the things that make for peace upon the people of Ukraine, Afghanistan, Myanmar, and Ethiopia, and all other places engulfed by war, Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That public officials in this nation who suffer threats and violence be kept safe and that their honest resolve be strengthened in the face of harassment, Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That those who work in the heat, especially farm laborers, road construction crews, and utility workers, be given just reward for their labor and safe working conditions, Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That the youth who attend confirmation camp this coming week may grow in faith, have fun, and enjoy your creation. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That those who are weakened by illness, injury, depression, or anxiety find hope and confidence in your never-failing love. We pray especially for those most on our hearts and minds today.... Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

That you would give us the hope of resurrection throughout our lives, and particularly when we must bury our beloved dead. Today, we remember...(pause)...Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

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. **Amen.**

THE MEAL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

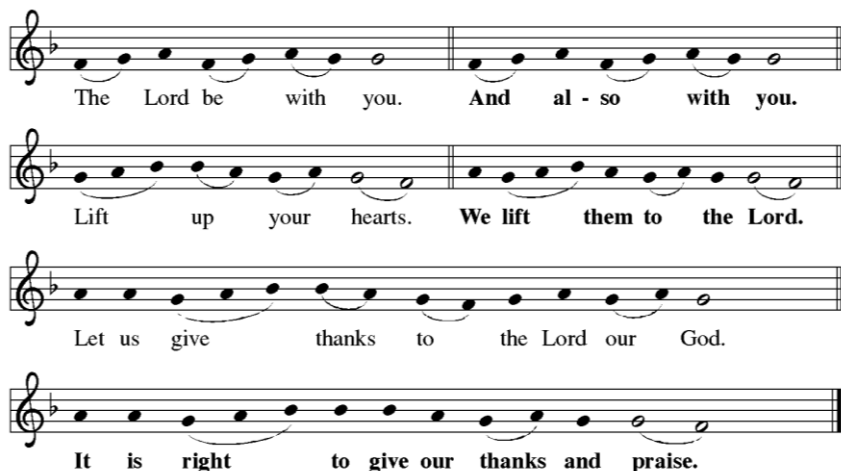
ORGAN OFFERTORY

"Trio"

- Rachel Laurin

OFFERING PRAYER *led by the assisting minister*

GREAT THANKSGIVING



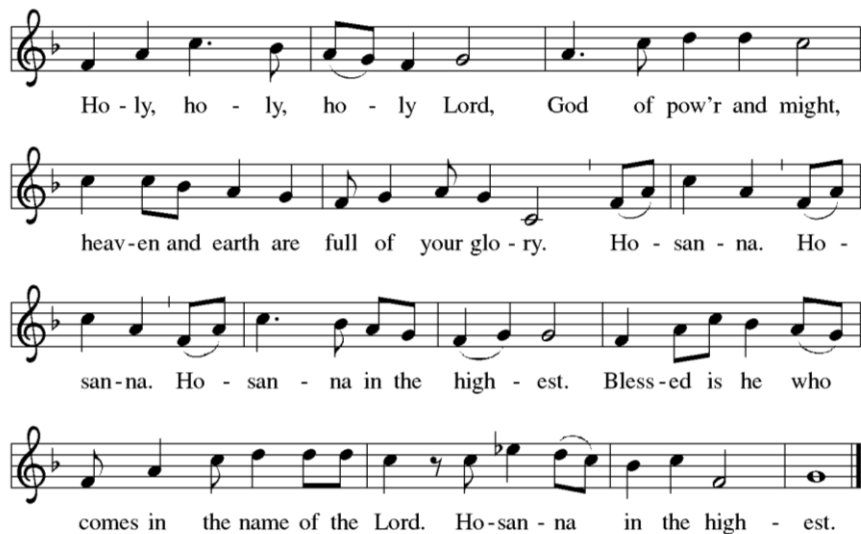
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

You are indeed holy, God of power and might, O God....(*the prayer continues*)...Through your Son, in you Spirit, with all your people, we give you thanks and praise, O source of our life and fountain of all good, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

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 COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

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. 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.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

“Jesus Christ, Bread of Life”

Refrain

Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to
you will not hun - ger. Je - sus Christ, Ris - en Lord,
those who trust in you will not thirst.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time. The first staff contains the first line of the refrain, the second staff the second line, and the third staff the third line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

Text: John 6; Taizé Community
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

“Lead On, O King Eternal!”

Red Book #805

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Lord is with you!

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Postlude in C Minor”

- George Blake

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Kimberly van Driel	Presiding Minister
Sandy Lefebvre	Assisting Minister
Susan Farrell	Reader
Signe Mitchell	Organist
Sue Morrow	AV Assisting Minister
Melody Kamerer	PowerPoint Assisting Minister
Roxanne Glagola	Altar Guild
Bob and Karen Domanski	Ushers
Sue Morrow and Susan Farrell	Counters

*Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Brenda Ihlenfeld,
in memory of Bill Ihlenfeld.*

*All are welcome to gather in the social hall for coffee hour following worship.
Thank you to our host, Merry Miller*

THIS WEEK AT FIRST ENGLISH

Mon., 6/27	5:00 PM	Community Dinner
	8:00 PM	NA Meeting (Social Hall)
Wed., 6/29	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (Social Hall)
Thurs., 6/30	7:30 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)
Fri., 7/1		<i>Church Office Closed</i>
		Pastor Kimberly's Day Off
Sat., 7/2	12:00 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Kimberly will be with our confirmation camp all week at Camp Lutherlyn. She will be available by cell phone, 412-316-5028.

The Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study is cancelled for June 30.

The church office will be closed on Friday, July 1st.

Welcome to the season after Pentecost! This time of the church year emphasizes growing in the Word of God. We mark this time with some changes in our order of worship. We'll be using the "Glory to God" (p. 139 in the front of our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*). We'll also

welcome the gospel with a Caribbean “Hallelujah.” Finally, listen for the summertime images of growth and harvest in the prayer giving thanks at communion.

Calling all musicians! Pr. Kimberly and the music committee looking for folks who might be interesting in forming a group of all kinds of instruments and singers to learn new liturgical music, have fun, and give glory to God! Please email her at pkfelc@zoominternet.net or speak to her in person.

Seeing our Neighbors Bible Study. Join us after worship on Sundays, July 10, 17, and 24 for this three-week study designed by Lutheran World Relief. Using Scripture, images, the practice of Visio Divina and prayer, we'll be invited to reflect on our church's call to relief and peacemaking work in Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

A Summer Music Schedule is posted in the Social Hall. Please consider signing your name on the schedule for one of the Sundays in July or August. We look forward to hearing your voice, your instrument, and your musical talent as an important part of our worship!

If you would like to be added to First English's email list, please send us an email to officefelc@zoominternet.net.

PRAYERS

The family of John Rudzki (father of Jack Rudzki), Aryl Bashline, Baby Mac & family; Patrick Frank; family of Ed Shields; the families and community of Uvalde; Tom Walker; Holly Schubert; Jeff Cunningham; family of Mary Ellen Shanor; continued healing for John Negley; family of Don Hapeman (Jeanette Cunningham's stepfather); family of Jim Petsinger; Ellen Dodge; family of Jean Morrow; Jamie McPoyle & family; Andrea Dubler; Keith Morgan; Jan Nieto; family of Marlyn Dempsey; Michelle; family of Megan Gibson; Chrissy; family of Charlie Stitt; Jennifer Hartle Fink; family of Rob Huey; the people of Ukraine & others affected by the conflict; Tracy Steadman & family; Cassidy; Roberta; Cindy Regis & family; continued healing for Graham Cannon; Tad Sellers; Anne Ferguson; Pam Patterson; Tom Olson; Judy; Claudia; Karen; Anita

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Kings 5:1-14

Elisha heals a warrior with leprosy

Psalm 30

My God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. (Ps. 30:2)

Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

Do what is right now and reap at the harvest time

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Jesus sends out seventy disciples into the harvest

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