

you have received; freely give."

— Matthew 10:8



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## **Worship Service**

Sunday, June 28, 2020 10:00 a.m.

# Fourth Sunday after PENTECOST

**Theme of the day:** In revealing his saving work for us in Christ, God moves us to obey him and declare his praises before the world. Making you his people makes you want to and able to act like it.

#### WELCOME

A warm welcome to our friends and visitors! Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church is eager to share with you the blessings of its Christ-centered ministry. If you are a new or long-time resident of the Central Coast looking for a church home, we invite you to meet with us at the close of this worship service or at your convenience. All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

**Families** are encouraged to worship together. If you need to step out with your children, the service can be seen and heard in the fellowship hall or narthex area. Feel free to enter and return at any time.

### OUR MISSION

Our congregation exists for the purpose of "HOLDING OUT THE WORD OF LIFE." This is accomplished by faithfully preserving and proclaiming all of God's inerrant word, and administering the Sacraments as they were instituted by Christ.

## **HYMN:** # 233 "All People that on Earth Do Dwell"

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with fear; his praise forthtell; Come ye before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid he did us make. We are his folk; he doth us feed, And for his sheep he doth us take.

Oh, enter then his gates with praise; Approach with joy his courts unto. Praise, laud, and bless his name always, For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord, our God, is good; His mercy is forever sure. His truth at all times firmly stood And shall from age to age endure.

Please stand for last verse:

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heav'n and earth adore, From us and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

<u>M</u>inister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

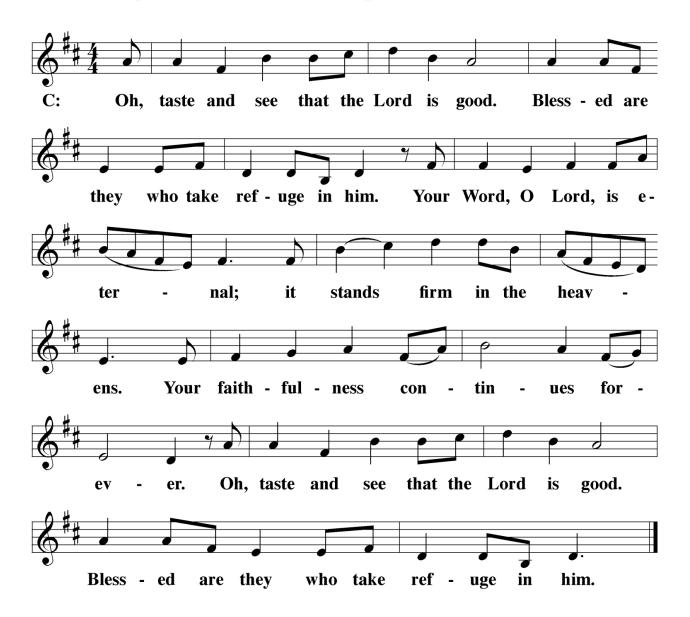
**Congregation:** And also with you. (spoken)

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

#### C: Amen.

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



M: O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## FIRST LESSON: Romans 5:6-11

<sup>6</sup>For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. <sup>8</sup>But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. <sup>10</sup>For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

## Psalm of the Day: Psalm 100





Shout for joy to the LORD, <u>all</u> the earth.\* Worship the LORD with <u>glad</u>ness;

come before him with <u>joy</u>ful songs.\* Know that the <u>LORD</u> is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;\* we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

# Refrain

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his <u>courts</u> with praise;\* give thanks to him and <u>praise</u> his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures for<u>ev</u>er;\* his faithfulness continues through all gener<u>a</u>tions.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son\* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,\* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

## Verse of the Day:

M: Alleluia. May your priests be clothed with righteousness. May your favored ones shout for joy. Alleluia. (Psalm 132:9)

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 9:35-10:8**

9 <sup>35</sup>Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

<sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup>Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest."

10 Jesus called his twelve disciples to himself and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, "Do not go among the Gentiles, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. <sup>6</sup>Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near!' <sup>8</sup>Heal the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

HYMN: #770 "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve"





This hymn leads us to consider the cost of discipleship and to pray for Jesus' guidance and strength to fulfill his will.

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#### **SERMON: Exodus 19:2-8**

<sup>2</sup>After they set out from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai, they camped in the wilderness. Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

<sup>3</sup>Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, "This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.

<sup>5</sup>Now if you will carefully listen to my voice and keep my covenant, then you will be my special treasure out of all the nations, although the entire earth is mine. <sup>6</sup>You will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.' These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites."

<sup>7</sup>Moses went and summoned the elders of the people, and he set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>All the people answered together, "Everything that the LORD has said, we will do."

### **APOSTLES' CREED - The Third Article**

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

# Hymn: #440 "On Eagles' Wings"

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in his shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,
My rock in whom I trust!"
And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under his wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.
And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

For to his angels he's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.
And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

#### **OFFERING**

### INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### 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.

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

## C: A Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #561 "Lord, Speak to Us that We May Speak"

□ Lord, speak to us that we may speak In living echoes of your tone. As you have sought, so let us seek Your straying children, lost and lone.

Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead The wand'ring and the wav'ring feet. Oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed Your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach The precious truths which you impart, And wing our words that they may reach The hidden depths of many a heart.

Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, Until our very hearts o'erflow In kindling thought and glowing word Your love to tell, your praise to show.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FLOWERS** for today's service were given to the glory of God by the Evers family in gratefulness for blessings received.

**PRAYERS** Remember to pray for: Gordon Hillberg, Shawn Lozano, John Velasques, Ruth Fabian, little Elias, Albert Nunez, Shawna Bushey, Rose Marie Hillberg, Atalia (Moores' granddaughter), Dennis Douglas, Julieanna Saenz, Rylie Lopez, Bob Ward, George Caravana, Alice Taubman, Don Fabian, Doris Scheuffele, Molly Webb (and her brother Jim), and Helen Marten.

"Hi, We're Your Neighbors at Star" - Big, fun, promotional, fellowship, outreach day at Waller Park, Saturday, August 22. Start thinking about it now.