

# June 20, 2021 4th Sunday After Pentecost



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"Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus"

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Outdoor services - offering bucket is near the front entry of the church.

Indoor services - offering box at the entrance and exit of the sanctuary

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

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

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 inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord

#### Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just with forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### Most Merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage 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

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his son to die for us and, for his sake, 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.

#### Amen

OPENING HYMN Good, Good Father Temporary Hymnal Pg. 6

#### **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

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

# First Reading: Job 38:1-11

<sup>1</sup>The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup>On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup>"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— <sup>9</sup>when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, <sup>10</sup>and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, <sup>11</sup>and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

## Psalm: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

<sup>2</sup>Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

<sup>3</sup>gathering them in from the lands;

from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

<sup>23</sup>Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

<sup>24</sup>They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

<sup>25</sup>Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

<sup>26</sup>They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

<sup>27</sup>They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.

<sup>28</sup>Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

<sup>29</sup>You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

<sup>30</sup>Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

<sup>31</sup>Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

<sup>32</sup>Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

# Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—

open wide your hearts also.

### **Gospel: Mark 4:35-41**

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### SERMON

# HYMN OF THE DAY How Deep the Father's Love

**OFFERING** (Indoor worship: offering box is located near double doors of the sanctuary. Outdoor worship: an offering bucket is near the front entrance)

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him wo offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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.

#### THE PRAYERS

#### HOLY COMMUNION

# THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

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.

# SENDING HYMN: This Is My Father's World Temporary Hymnal pg. 7

#### BENEDICTION

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever.

### Amen.

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

### June 20th - Happy Father's Day!

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life

11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life

### June 27th - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life

11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life

### July 4th - Happy Fourth of July!

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life

10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life

11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life

We are happy to announce that morning coffee and fellowship is back!

Please join us at

9:00 am beginning on Sunday June 20th.

# **Worship Time Update!!**

Beginning on June 6th, the 10:00 am worship service will transition to indoor worship. This worship service will still be broadcast through the radio, to the parking lot for those who would like to remain outdoors. The online stream will also be transitioning to the 10:00 am worship time.

For those who prefer to see Pastor Randy but would like to remain outdoors for comfortability reasons, beginning on June 13th, our 11:00 am worship service will transition into the outdoor/parking lot worship service.

# **Rothsay Round-Up Breakfast**

\*Free will donation\*

Saturday July 30th
7:30 am - 9:30 am or until we run out.
At New Life Lutheran Church

Don't have time to sit down and eat?

To-go boxes will be available!

# **Indoor Worship Time Update**

Little Bethany Lutheran Church indoor worship Sunday at 8:45 am

New Life Lutheran Church simultaneous indoor/outdoor worship Sunday at 10:00 am

### New Life Lutheran Church outdoor worship Sunday at 11:00 am

We appreciate your cooperation and willingness to follow the guidance provided to us from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). With everyone's compliance the indoor worship services will be reasonably safe and hopefully comfortable for all to attend. Here are the practices that will allow us to have indoor worship:

- \*While the mask mandate has been lifted by the Governor, for those who are vaccinated, many of our younger members have not yet had access to he vaccine. So, in solidarity with our younger members who are now the most vulnerable to the COVID-19 virus, we ask and recommend that all indoor worshipers continue to mask.
- \*All people entering the building will need to sign in and provide a contact number. This is for contact tracing should the church be informed that someone attending has been diagnosed with COVID-19.
- \*Congregational singing is now allowed, if masked, as long as there is 6 ft. distance between households.

For those who are uncomfortable with returning to indoor worship, we will be broadcasting the 10:00 am indoor worship service over the radio into the parking lot. In addition to the 10:00 am indoor service being broadcast into the parking lot each Sunday, beginning June 13th we will be adding an outdoor only service at 11:00 am for those who would like to continue seeing Pastor Randy. The online live stream will continue at the new time of 10:00 am.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in these challenging times!