

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Color Guard (8:00 & 10:30)

OUR PLEDGE TO THE FLAG OF OUR NATION (As we observe God's many blessings to us as a nation this Independence Day Weekend, we pledge our allegiance to our nation.)

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

OUR PLEDGE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG (Remembering to "Seek first His Kingdom", we pledge our allegiance to Christ.)

I pledge allegiance to the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ and to the faith for which it stands, one Savior eternal, with mercy and grace for all.

***HYMN OF INVOCATION**

God Bless America

CHOIR: *While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,*
(8:00 & 10:30) *Let us swear allegiance to a land that's free.*
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair,
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer.

Congregation:

**God bless America, land that I love
Stand beside her, and guide her
Through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies,
To the ocean white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home,
God bless America, my home sweet home. (Repeat)**

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **✠ Amen.**

L: Keep me safe, O God, for in You I take refuge.

C: **I said to the Lord, "You are my Lord; apart from You I have no good thing."**

L: I will praise the Lord who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

L: Let us confess our sins together:

C: **Almighty God, Judge of all people, we confess to You and to one another our sinfulness. We have broken Your law. We have departed from Your path of righteousness, contriving and defending our own ways, doing what is wrong in Your sight. We stand before You condemned, we stand in awe of Your perfect wisdom and justice. Almighty Lord, we are sorry for our sins. Humbly we ask Your forgiveness, for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **✠ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

✠ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

***THE KYRIE**

✠ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

L: The Lord be with you.

C: ♪ And with thy spirit.

L: Let us pray.

C: ♪ Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the sixth Sunday after Pentecost is from Lamentations 3:22-33, page 688:
(5, 8, 10:30)

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust—there may yet be hope; ³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the Lord will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: ♪ Thanks be to God.

Chancel Choir (8:00 & 10:30) *In God We Trust* Vader/Rouse

THE EPISTLE READING is from II Corinthians 8:6-9, 13-14 pages 967-968:

⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you— see that you excel in this act of grace also. ⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. ¹³For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: ♪ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - according to St. Mark, the fifth chapter, verses 21-24a and 35-43, page 840-841:

C: ♪ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²¹ And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²² Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet ²³ and implored him earnestly, saying, "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." ²⁴ And he went with him. ³⁵ While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" ³⁶ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷ And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸ They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they laughed at him. But 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. ⁴¹ Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³ And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

***THE CREED (Luther's Explanation of the 2nd Article)**

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

Lord, While For All Mankind We Pray

TLH 578

1. Lord, while for all mankind we pray Of ev'ry clime and coast,
Oh, hear us for our native land, The land we love the most!
2. Oh, guard our shores from ev'ry foe, With peace our borders bless,
With prosp'rous times our cities crown, Our fields with plenteousness!
3. Here may Thy Gospel, pure and mild, Smile on our Sabbath hours
And piety and virtue bless Our fathers' home and ours.
4. Lord of the nations, thus to Thee Our country we commend.
Be Thou her Refuge and her Trust, Her everlasting Friend.

THE SERMON

“Cast Your Burden Upon The Lord”

(Lam. 3:31, Matt. 11:28-30)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

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***THE OFFERTORY** LSB page 192

♫ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

***LORD'S PRAYER** (Found on the inside back cover of the hymnal.)

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: ♫ Amen.

***THE AGNUS DEI** LSB page 198

♫ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

God of Our Fathers

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

2. Your love divine has led us in the past,
In this free land by You our lot is cast;
Oh, be our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Your Word our law, Your paths our chosen way.

3. Refresh Your people on their toilsome way;
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine;
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

I Lay My Sins on Jesus

LSB 606

1. I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains
Clean in His blood most precious Till not a spot remains.

2. I lay my wants on Jesus; All fullness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases; My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases; He all my sorrows shares.

3. I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces; I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.

OTHER DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 619, 744, 809

NUNC DIMITTIS - Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32 LSB page 199

♫ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

L: Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: ♫ And His mercy endureth forever.

L: Let us pray. C: ♫ Amen.

L: The Lord be with you. C: ♫ And with Thy Spirit.

L: Bless we the Lord. C: ♫ Thanks be to God.

*THE BENEDICTION

C: ♫ Amen, amen, amen.

*THE CLOSING HYMN

My Country 'Tis of Thee

1. My country, 'tis of Thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of Thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims pride,
From every mountainside Let freedom ring!

2. Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!

*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE + + + + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens
Liturgist: 5:00, 8:00 & 10:30 - Pastor Jon C. Furgeson; 9:20 - Rev. Joersz
Organist: 5 & 9:20: Burnell Hackman; 8 & 10:30: Kendra Ruesler
Choir Dir.: Burnell Hackman, DMM
KFUO 850 AM Broadcaster/Engineer: Rick Goodman/Jeanette Mattingly

NEWS AND NOTES:

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 1, 2018

CHRIST'S TRUE BODY AND BLOOD, given and shed in His passion for the forgiveness of sins, are really present in, with, and under the bread and the wine in the Sacrament of the Altar and are given to and received by those who commune. Confirmed church members who are of one faith with us are invited to the Lord's table. Please register by marking the attendance card in the pew rack.

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): American Church History

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman and Mike Renner

7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel and Louise Oster

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Robert and Donna Stine in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on July 3; also from Rich and Anita Behnke in loving celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary on June 29.

COLOR GUARD: 8:00: Alex Hammon (caller), Josh Hammon, Ryan Rainey
10:30: Tyler Rainey (caller), John Morse, Joe Roesch

NEW MEMBER CLASSES on Sundays, 6:00 - 8:00pm starting August 12. Sign-up sheet is posted on the Commons bulletin board. Or, today, you may indicate desired enrollment on your worship attendance card. Auditors welcome.

GREEN PARK EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

2ND GRADE TEACHER Qualified candidates should hold a teaching certification, love for children, knowledge of iPad use in the classroom, good communication skills and willingness to work as a team with the lead 2nd grade teacher.

PART-TIME EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR Qualified candidate works with teachers of all grade levels, that also enjoys researching new ways to enhance learning through 1:1 devices. Please send resume to Stephen Eggold at stephen.eggold@greenparklutherschool.org.

THE MUSIC MINISTRY'S ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND BAND CONCERT is Sunday, August 5 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm in the Gym. Come, invite family and friends to enjoy an afternoon of fun music and ice cream. What could be better?

PLAY A BAND INSTRUMENT? Come and be a part of this exciting ministry at Peace. The Orchestra of Peace plays for worship about once a month and will be providing music for the Ice Cream Social in August. Students in grade 7 and up as well as adults are invited to participate. Please let Director of Music Ministry, Burnell Hackman, know of your interest and he will prepare a folder of music for you. The group will rehearse on Tuesday, July 24 and Friday, August 3 for the Band Concert and Ice Cream Social.

WANTED: Your unwanted (useable, unbroken, clean) items for Saturday, August 4, Couple's Club Garage Sale! Items may be dropped off at the lower level storage room on the West side. Clean clothing brought on hangers, and extra wire hangers, would be greatly appreciated. – Rich Behnke

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JULY 1, 2018:

Tue: 9:00 Quilters

9:00 Plastic Mat Making

Wed: INDEPENDENCE DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

Sat: 5:00 Worship Service

6:00 Couples' Club Mystery Dinner

Sun:8/9:20/10:30 Worship Services