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PENTECOST

June 16, 2024



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“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ,
he is a new creation.
The old has passed away;
behold, the new has come.”
2 Corinthians 5:17



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PRELUDE

“Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness”

J. S. Bach

(BWV 654)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

LSB 892



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo-ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un-to His praise to yield;
3 For the Lord, our God, shall come And shall take His har-vest home,
4 E-ven so, Lord, quick-ly come To Thy fi-nal har-vest home;



All be safe-ly gath-ered in Ere the win-ter storms be-gin;
Wheat and tares to-geth-er sown, Un-to joy or sor-row grown.
From His field shall in that day All of-fens-es purge a-way,
Gath-er Thou Thy peo-ple in, Free from sor-row, free from sin,



God, our mak-er, doth pro-vide For our wants to be sup-plied.
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap-pear.
Give His an-gels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast,
There, for-ev-er pu-ri-fied, In Thy gar-ner to a-bide:



Come to God's own tem-ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
Lord of har-vest, grant that we Whole-some grain and pure may be.
But the fruit-ful ears to store In His gar-ner ev-er-more.
Come with all Thine an-gels, come, Raise the glo-rious har-vest home.

INVOCATION *Mt 28:19*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES *Psalms 1:1-4*

Pastor: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners,

People: nor sits in the seat of scoffers.

Pastor: But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night.

People: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.

Pastor: In all that he does, he prospers.

People: The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Ezek 17:24; 2 Cor 5:6-7, 10; Phil 3:21*

Pastor: Merciful God, as we gather as one Body yet many members, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean, that our thoughts words, and deeds are always impure, and we ask for Your forgiveness. As You alone “bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish,” we have at times impeded the growth You desire and have failed to trust in You.

People: We have not loved You with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: We have not always been confident being away from You as we are at home in the body.

People: We have lived more by sight than by faith, trusting ourselves more than You. Forgive us, Lord.

Pastor: We have sought to increase pleasures of this body and life, without regard to building for our eternal life. We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

People: We are sorry for our sin and come to You in true repentance.

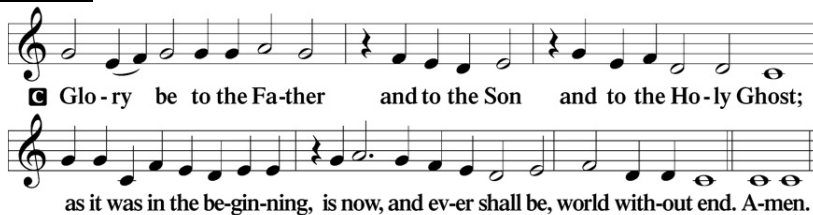
Pastor: We live by faith, not by sight, and in confident faith we have the free gift of forgiveness through Jesus Christ. His death in the body means new life in ours. His victory over death means our freedom now and eternally. For His sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce the grace of God unto all of you: Your sins are truly forgiven, in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ Amen.

THE INTROIT *Psalm 92:12-15; antiphon: v. 1*

Pastor/Choir: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High. The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God. They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

THE GLORIA PATRI



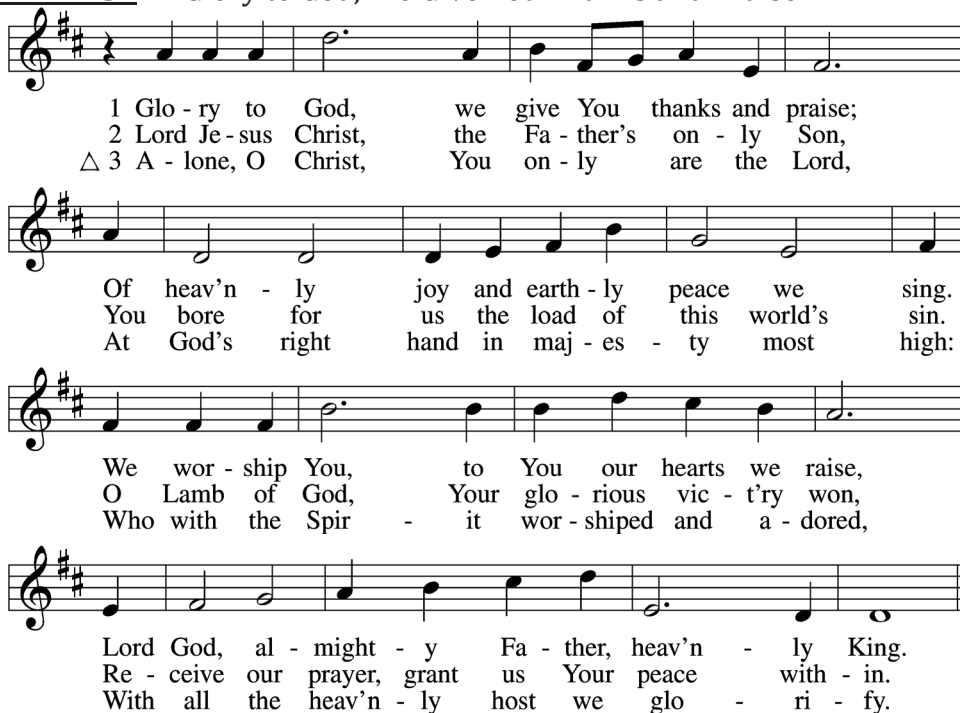
☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THE KYRIE Mt 9:27, 15:22

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

HYMN OF PRAISE "Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise"

LSB 946



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
△ 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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THE SALUTATION 2 Tim 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:



☐ And with thy spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Almighty God, You alone as Creator sustain and provide for this wonderful creation and for all that we need for our body and life. Plant, nurture, and grow the seed of Your Word among us that Your kingdom may grow here within Your Church and be a blessing to our community and to the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People:  **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Ezekiel 17:22-24

(Thus says the Lord GOD. I have spoken, and I will do it.)

²² Thus says the Lord God: “I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³ On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴ And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:1-17

(Our Heavenly Dwelling)

¹ For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³ if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶ So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹¹ Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹² We are not commending ourselves

to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³ For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴ For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵ and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM @10:30am

“This Is My Father’s World”

Hugh Livingston, Jr.
The Cathedral Choir

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

(The Parable of the Growing Seed)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

People:



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁶ And he said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷ He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸ The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.” ³⁰ And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹ It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴ He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CREED

Martin Luther's Explanation to the 1st Article

Pastor: What is the First Article of the Apostles Creed?

People: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

People: **I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.**

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"For the Fruits of His Creation"

LSB 894



1 For the fruits of His cre - a - tion, Thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har-vests of the Spir - it, Thanks be to God.



For His gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, Thanks be to God. For the
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done. In our
For the good we all in - her - it, Thanks be to God. For the



plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, Si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
world - wide task of car - ing For the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
won - ders that as - tound us, For the truths that still con - found us,



Fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, Thanks be to God.
In the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Tree That Escapes Me”
Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski, Head Pastor
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

Ezekiel 17:24

OFFERTORY Ps 51:10-12

tune: LSB 425



Cre - ate in me a__ new heart Lord. That glad - ly
I o__ - bey Your__ Word. Let what You will be__
my de__ - sire, And with new life my soul in__ - spire.

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“Allegro (Sonata II)”

C. P. E. Bach

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

9am continue with the benediction

*** The Order of Holy Communion ***

@10:30am

THE PREFACE AND PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *2 Tim. 4:22*

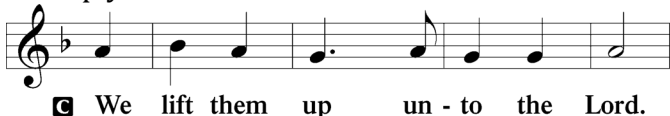
People:



☐ And with thy spir - it.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *Lam 3:41*

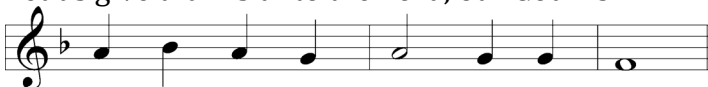
People:



☐ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God. *Ps 100:4*

People:



It is meet and right so to do.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have made possible for us true peace in our lives. Above all, we give thanks for the boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rejoice eternally in a wonderful new world. Through the working of Your Holy Spirit, bestow upon us Your peace in mercy, Lord, now and forever. Together with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS *Is 6:3*

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♪ **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Co 11:23-25*

THE PAX DOMINI *Jn 20:19*

Pastor: The peace of Lord be with you all.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI *Jn 1:29*

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♪ **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

For those with health concerns, there is non-alcoholic white wine and gluten free wafers in the center of each tray.

TWO STATION COMMUNION:

If you would like to receive communion at the altar, take the path to the left before the chancel step.

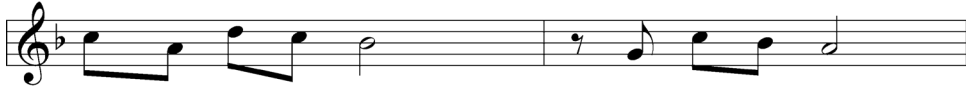
If you would like to receive communion in a continuous line, take the path to the right before the chancel step.

"What is This Bread?"

LSB 629



1 What is this bread?	Christ's bod - y
2 What is this wine?	The blood of
3 So who am I,	That I should
4 Yet is God here?	Oh, yes! By
5 Is this for me?	I am for -



ris - en from the dead:	This bread we break,
Je - sus shed for mine;	The cup of grace
live and He should die	Un - der the rod?
Word and prom - ise clear,	In mouth and soul
giv - en and set free!	I do be - lieve



This life we take,	Was crushed to pay for our re -
Brings His em - brace	Of life and love un - til I
My God, my God,	Why have You not for - sak - en
He makes us whole—	Christ, tru - ly pres - ent in this
That I re - ceive	His ver - y bod - y and His



lease.	O taste and see—	the Lord is peace.
sing!	O taste and see—	the Lord is King.
me?	O taste and see—	the Lord is free.
meal.	O taste and see—	the Lord is real.
blood.	O taste and see—	the Lord is good.

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NUNC DIMITTIS

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♪ 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have again welcomed us at Your Table and have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in Your eternal kingdom. Bless us through this divine gift, that we live with assurance and confidence in Your loving care. Grant Your Holy Spirit to enlighten us with

His gifts, that we be people who rejoice in Your promises and wait in joyful expectation of the new heavens and new earth that are yet to come. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Savior.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

FATHER'S DAY LITANY

Pastor: For fathers everywhere, who have given us life and love, that we may show them respect and love.

People: **We give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: For fathers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them

People: **We pray for those who mourn, and give God thanks for life eternal.**

Pastor: For men who may or may not have children of their own, but serve as a father to someone in need of advice, support, nurturing, and love.

People: **We give God thanks and praise for father figures.**

Pastor: For step-fathers who have assumed that role with love and joy, who have loved their children as their own.

People: **We thank you for sacrificial love.**

Pastor: For adoptive fathers, who have heard the call of God to lovingly step forward for those that need their care.

People: **We thank you, Lord, for dedication.**

Pastor: For fathers who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to the needs of their children, and have not sustained their families.

People: **We pray for Your mercy.**

Pastor: For fathers who struggle with temptation, violence, or addiction. For those who do harm, and for those whom they have harmed.

People: **We pray for your power to heal.**

Pastor: For new fathers, full of hope. For long-time fathers, full of wisdom. For the fathers yet to be, and fathers soon to be.

People: **We pray for Your blessing upon men of faith.**

Pastor: For those that have shaped our lives without claim of family or kinship. For those who have taught us, guided us, shaped us and molded us into servants of Christ our Lord.

People: **We thank you for the fathers of our faith.**

Pastor: For the fathers, brothers, sons in our midst and around the world. For the men who, created in the image of God, give not just life, but abundant life. For men fighting, struggling, and sweating for the sake of others. For men strong, caring, and praying with the heart of Christ. For the faithful,

courageous, teachers, leaders, encouragers. For dads, in their wide variety and many forms,

People: We praise our God from Whom all blessings flow.

BENEDICTION Num. 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The ✱ Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

People:



☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“On What Has Now Been Sown”

LSB 921



1 On what has now been sown Thy bless - ing, Lord, be - stow;
2 To Thee our wants are known, From Thee are all our pow'rs;
3 O grant that each of us, Now met be - fore Thee here,



The pow'r is Thine a - lone To make it sprout and grow. Do Thou
Ac - cept what is Thine own And par - don what is ours. Our prais -
May meet to - geth - er thus When Thou and Thine ap - pear And fol -



in grace the har - vest raise, And Thou a - lone shalt have the praise!
es, Lord, and prayers re - ceive, And to Thy Word a bless - ing give.
low Thee to heav'n, our home. E'en so, a - men, Lord Je - sus, come!

POSTLUDE

“Come, You Thankful People Come”

Matthew Corl