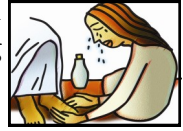


The Third Sunday after Pentecost—June 13, 2010

9:00 A.M. Holy Communion

The Rev. A. Elisabeth Aurland preaching and presiding



Welcome!

The enormity of our sin is surpassed only by the mercy of God. We come, repentant, to the table of the Lord. In the body and blood of Jesus, and in the announcement of our absolution, all our sins are forgiven. "Happy are they... whose sin is put away." Happy are we.

We are glad you are worshipping with us. All baptized Christians are invited to Holy Communion. Those not yet baptized are also welcomed for a blessing (cross arms when approaching).

This morning we commune at the rail in continuous fashion. Take an empty cup from the tray at the head of the aisle or if you prefer grape juice, take a pre-filled cup from the center of the same tray. Ushers will guide you to an empty space beginning at the back of the rail. You are free to return by the side aisles as soon as you are ready.

After worship, please join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for coffee.

Gathering

THE PRELUDE

Take My Life and Let It Be

H. A. C. Malan

THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ... whose mercy endures forever.

☛ Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

☞ Gracious God,

☛ have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

☞ God, who is rich in mercy, ... that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

☛ Amen.

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, . . . be with you all.

☑ **And also with you.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

☐ Let us pray.

☑ **O God, throughout the ages you judge your people with mercy, and you inspire us to speak your truth. By your Spirit, anoint us for lives of faith and service, and bring all people into your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Word

THE FIRST READING

2 Samuel 11:26—12:10; 12:13–15

King David seduced his neighbor Bathsheba and was responsible for the death of her husband, Uriah. God sends the prophet Nathan to confront the king. Nathan tells the king a parable and opens David's eyes to see his own guilt.

▮ A reading from Second Samuel:

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, ^{12:1}And the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." ⁵Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

⁷Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had

been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹³David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." Nathan said to David, "Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die. ¹⁴Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the LORD, the child that is born to you shall die." ¹⁵Then Nathan went to his house.

The LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and it became very ill.

Ⓐ The word of the Lord. Ⓑ Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM 32

Sung Antiphonally

REFRAIN (sung by choir, then by all; then at each Ⓒ by all)

Then you for - gave me the guilt of my sin.

VERSES (light=choir; bold=all)

¹Happy are they whose transgressions | are forgiven,
and whose sin is | put away!

²**Happy are they to whom the LORD im- | putes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there | is no guile!**

³While I held my tongue, my bones with- | ered away,
because of my groaning | all day long.

⁴**For your hand was heavy upon me | day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the | heat of summer. Ⓒ**

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not con- | ceal my guilt.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."

Then you forgave me the guilt | of my sin.

⁶**Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you
in | time of trouble;**

when the great waters overflow, they | shall not reach them.

⁷You are my hiding-place; you preserve | me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts | of deliverance.

⁸**I will instruct you and teach you in the way that | you should go;
I will guide you | with my eye. Ⓒ**

⁹Do not be like horse or mule, which have no | understanding;
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will | not stay near you."

**¹⁰Great are the tribulations | of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust | in the LORD.**

¹¹Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice | in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are | true of heart. **℟**

We gather participants for CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

THE SECOND READING

Galatians 2:15–21

Paul preaches on the power of God's grace to make us faithful. We are made right with God through Jesus Christ alone, through no work of our own. As a result, Christ's life has become our whole identity.

℟ A reading from Galatians:

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

℟ The word of the Lord. **☩** Thanks be to God.

Stand

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -
- ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: Repeat Alleluia

In this is love, that
God loved us and | sent the Son* to be the atoning sacrifice | for our sins.

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.

☒ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 7:36—8:3

Through a dramatic encounter of rich and poor, righteous and sinner, Jesus teaches the relationship between receiving mercy and responding with a lavish outpouring of love. Jesus also provokes his host by claiming authority to forgive sins.

☐ ³⁶One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. ³⁷And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. ³⁸She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him — that she is a sinner." ⁴⁰Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." ⁴¹A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." ⁴⁸Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

⁸¹Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, ²as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, ³and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☒ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

Pastor Elisabeth Aurand

Stand

THE HYMN OF THE DAY Take My Life, That I May Be

#583

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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THE PRAYERS

A Hear us, O God. **G** Your mercy is great.

Sit

THE TEMPLE TALK

Alan Robertson

THE PARISH CONCERNS and WELCOME TO VISITORS

THE OFFERING is received as the Lord's table is prepared.

THE BAND

Give Thanks

Henry Smith, arr. Pethel

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Pastor Elisabeth Aurand

Stand

THE OFFERTORY

Let the Vineyards

#183

Meal

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

A God of mercy and grace,

G the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing.
Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help
of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

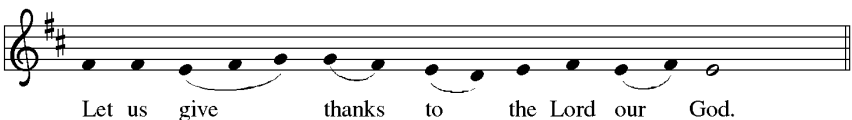
THE INITIAL DIALOG



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.

THE INITIAL THANKSGIVING

THE HOLY

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THE THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- ☐ Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.
The universe ... with every breath. ☑ **We praise you, O God.**
- ☐ Generations ... into the future. ☑ **We bless you, O God.**
- ☐ We give you thanks ... with us now. ☑ **We thank you, O God.**
- ☐ In the night ... for the remembrance of me.
Remembering his love ... mystery of faith:
☑ **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**
- ☐ We pray ... without end. ☑ **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Sit

THE DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD

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THE COMMUNION HYMNS

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

#759

Healer of Our Every Ill

#612

Sending

Stand

THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- ☐ The body and blood ... keep you in his grace. ☑ **Amen**

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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- ☐ Let us pray. ... through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☑ **Amen**

THE PEACE

- ☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always. ☑ **And also with you.**

The ministers and people exchange a sign of God's peace.

Peace be with you. ☒ Peace be with you.

YOUTH MISSION TRIP UPDATE

Youth Group

THE BENEDICTION

- ☐ The Lord bless you ... and ☩ give you peace. ☑ **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

- ☐ Go in peace. Serve the Lord. ☑ **Thanks be to God.**

THE POSTLUDE

He's Got the Whole World

arr. Pethel

We celebrate Holy Communion every Sunday at 9 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.

IN NEED OF PRAYER

Note: Named in parentheses are those who submitted the names they follow.

Kathy G. (Pat Brown), Lori (Pat Brown), Pat Hamilton (Gail Bates), Gale Anderson (Pat Brown), Julia, Craig (Pat Brown), Norman Holmberg (Nancy Robertson), Charlotte Wunsch (Tameka Kelley), Barbara Miano (Tameka Kelley), family & friends grieving the loss of Peggy Wunsch (EJ Morehead), Earlene Currier (Pat Brown), Elsie Archaski, Jessy Matthews & Keith Jr. Matthews, Trevor & Querida as they begin their parenthood (Jessy Matthews), Karen, Donald, Maria, All Military Service Persons, Susan Trager (Laurie Trager's Sister), the Johnson family (Pat Brown), Irene Lukasiewski (Pat Brown), Laura & David Dion (Pat Brown), Shirley, Troy, Marilyn, David C., the Chamberlain family, Adele (Pat Brown), Dr. Donald Rotenberg, Jeff Soneson, the Clark family (Pat Brown), the Dubois family (Pat Brown), Wayne Lord (Pat Brown), Dean Lord (Pat Brown), Penny Kinney (Pat Brown), Joe Pavano (Cindy Pavano), Rose Huie (Pat Brown), Rita & Keenen Black (Pat Brown), Lois Arena (Ralph Holmstrom), Joseph DiChiara (John Kupfer), Rick Guinness, Lisa Viele, (Nancy Michalski).

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