

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
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**WELCOME**

**INVOCATION:**

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

**People: Amen.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Psalm 145:1-7, 10*

*Pastor: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.*

**People: Every day I will bless You and praise Your name forever and ever.**

*Pastor: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.*

**People: One generation shall commend Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.**

*Pastor: On the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works, I will meditate.*

**People: They shall speak of the might of Your awesome deeds, and I will declare Your greatness.**

*Pastor: They shall pour forth the fame of Your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.*

**People: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD, and all Your saints shall bless You!**

*Pastor: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;*

**People: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN:** “Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord” (Lutheran Service Book, #935)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;

Tender to me the promise of His Word;  
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name!  
Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;  
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might!  
Pow'rs and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of His Word!  
Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and forevermore!

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### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION: DSIV, page 203, absolution—right column**

*Pastor: Friends in Christ, our help is in the name of the Lord,*

**People: who made heaven and earth.**

*Pastor: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?*

**People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

*Pastor: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.*

**People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

*Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

People: Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, LSB, PAGE 204 (SUNG)



- 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY:

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

*Pastor:* Let us pray:

**People:** Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us each morning. When the challenges of daily life cause us to grow weary, be our strength and support. Refresh us by Your word, and, at life's end, grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING:** *Zechariah 9:9–12*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

behold, your King is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is He,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and He shall speak peace to the nations;

His rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**RESPONSORY:** Psalm 145:8-9

*Lector: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

**People: The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made..**

**EPISTLE READING:** *Romans 7:14–25a*

We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**RESPONSORY:** Psalm 145:18-19

*Lector: The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.*

**People: He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him; He also hears their cry and saves them.**

*Lector: Please rise, as you are able.*

*Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter:*

**People: Glory to You, O Lord!**

**GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 11:25–30

At that time Jesus declared, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was Your gracious will. All things have been handed over to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him. Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.”

*Lector: This is the Gospel of our Lord.*

**People: Praise to You, O Christ!**

*Lector: We confess together our Christian faith, using the Nicene Creed.*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom will have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen!

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**HYMN:** "Come Unto Me, Ye Weary" (LSB, #684)

"Come unto Me, ye weary,  
And I will give you rest."  
O blessed voice of Jesus,  
Which comes to hearts oppressed!  
It tells of benediction,  
Of pardon, grace, and peace,  
Of joy that hath no ending,  
Of love that cannot cease.

"Come unto Me, ye wand'ers,  
And I will give you light."  
O loving voice of Jesus,  
Which comes to cheer the night!  
Our hearts were filled with sadness,  
And we had lost our way;  
But Thou hast brought us gladness  
And songs at break of day.

"Come unto Me, ye fainting,  
And I will give you life."  
O cheering voice of Jesus,  
Which comes to aid our strife!  
The foe is stern and eager,  
The fight is fierce and long;  
But Thou hast made us mighty  
And stronger than the strong.

“And whosoever cometh,  
I will not cast him out.”  
O patient love of Jesus,  
Which drives away our doubt,  
Which, though we be unworthy  
Of love so great and free,  
Invites us very sinners  
To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

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**SERMON:** “Welcome Invitation and Gracious Promise” (*Matthew 11:28*)

## **PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

### **THE 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.**

### **PREFACE**

*Pastor: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Pastor: Lift up your hearts.*

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

*Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### **PROPER PREFACE**

*Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose*

*from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:*

## **SANCTUS**



**☒** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

*In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sin. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

## **PAX DOMINI** ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

**Pastor:** *The peace of the Lord be with you always.*

**People:** **Amen.**



## AGNUS DEI



1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

## DISTRIBUTION

**The Lord's Supper will be distributed at the altar rail. Please follow the ushers' directions.**

### DISTRIBUTION SONG: "Forever Reign"

You are good, You are good  
When there's nothing good in me.

You are love, You are love  
On display for all to see.

You are light, You are light  
When the darkness closes in.

You are hope, You are hope,  
You have covered all my sin.

You are peace, You are peace  
When my fear is crippling.

You are true, You are true  
Even in my wandering.

You are joy, You are joy

You're the reason that I sing.  
You are life, You are life  
In You death has lost its sting.

(Oh) I'm running to Your arms,  
I'm running to Your arms.

The riches of Your love will always be enough.  
Nothing compares to Your embrace,  
Light of the world forever reign.

You are more, You are more  
Than my words will ever say.

You are Lord, You are Lord  
All creation will proclaim.

You are here, You are here  
In Your presence I'm made whole.

You are God, You are God  
Of all else I'm letting go.

Oh I'm running to Your arms,  
I'm running to Your arms.

The riches of Your love will always be enough.  
Nothing compares to Your embrace,  
Light of the world forever reign.

My heart will sing no other Name;  
Jesus, Jesus.  
(Repeat 2X)

(Oh) I'm running to Your arms,  
I'm running to Your arms.

The riches of Your love will always be enough.  
Nothing compares to Your embrace,  
Light of the world forever reign.

**DISTRIBUTION SONG: "What a Beautiful Name"**

You were the Word at the beginning  
One with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a beautiful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us  
So Jesus You brought heaven down  
My sin was great Your love was greater  
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a wonderful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You  
The veil tore before You  
You silence the boast of sin and grave  
The heavens are roaring  
The praise of Your glory  
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival  
You have no equal  
Now and forever God You reign  
Yours is the kingdom

Yours is the glory  
Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a powerful Name it is  
Nothing can stand against  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior” (LSB, #627, vs 1, 2, 7, 8, & 10)**

Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior,  
Turned away God’s wrath forever;  
By His bitter grief and woe  
He saved us from the evil foe.

As His pledge of love undying,  
He, this precious food supplying,  
Gives His body with the bread,  
And with the wine the blood He shed.

Christ says: “Come, all you that labor,  
And receive My grace and favor:  
Those who feel no pain or ill  
Need no physician’s help or skill.

“For what purpose was My dying  
If not for your justifying?  
And what use this precious food  
If you yourself were pure and good?”

Let this food your faith so nourish  
That its fruit of love may flourish  
And your neighbor learn from you  
How much God's wondrous love can do.

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMN: “O Living Bread from Heaven” (LSB, #642)**

O living Bread from heaven,  
How well You feed your guest!  
The gifts that You have given  
Have filled my heart with rest.  
Oh, wondrous food of blessing,  
Oh, cup that heals our woes!  
My heart, this gift possessing,  
With praises overflows.

My Lord, You here have led me  
To this most holy place  
And with Yourself have fed me  
The treasures of Your grace;  
For You have freely given  
What earth could never buy,  
The bread of life from heaven,  
That now I shall not die.

You gave me all I wanted;  
This food can death destroy.  
And You have freely granted  
The cup of endless joy.  
My Lord, I do not merit  
The favor You have shown,  
And all my soul and spirit  
Bow down before Your throne.

Lord, grant me then, thus strengthened  
With heav'nly food, while here  
My course on earth is lengthened,  
To serve with holy fear.

And when You call my spirit  
To leave this world below,  
I enter, through Your merit,  
Where joys unmingled flow.

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### **COMMON DISMISSAL:**

*Pastor: Now may this true body and blood our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in faith unto life everlasting.*

**People: Amen.**

### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Pastor: Let us pray:*

**People: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION:** *(Numbers 6:24-26)*

*Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.*

**People: Amen.**

### **CLOSING HYMN:** "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go" (LSB, #854; melody: **Winchester New**)

Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,  
My daily labor to pursue,  
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know  
In all I think or speak or do.

The task Thy wisdom has assigned,  
O let me cheerfully fulfill;  
In all my works Thy presence find,  
And prove Thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,  
Whose eyes my inmost substance see,  
And labor on at Thy command,  
And offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear Thine easy yoke,  
And ev'ry moment watch and pray,  
And still to things eternal look,  
And hasten to Thy glorious day.

For Thee delightfully employ  
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace has giv'n,  
And run my course with even joy,  
And closely walk with Thee to heav'n.

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**DISMISSAL:**

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Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**In Christian Service:**

All disciples of the Lord Jesus  
*with*

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Jim Marriott

Proclaimer: Rev. Walt Pohland

Musicians: Adam Perez, Lauren Brezina, Julie Reynolds, Jim Newkirk, Joann Cotner, and  
Gwen Bundy

Organist: Adam Perez

8:15 Lay Reader: Brian Mersiovsky

11:00 Lay Reader: Brian Mersiovsky

Children's Message: DCE Austin Angerman