

Sunday, June 7, 2020—8:30 AM Worship Service with Communion

WELCOME

Larry Courson, Pastor

OPENING HYMN *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* LSB #901, vs. 1-4

INVOCATION (LSB, Page #167)

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (LSB, Page #167)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (LSB, Page #167)

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING OF Psalm 8 (NIV)

Pastor: LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory in the heavens.

People: **Through the praise of children and infants You have established a stronghold against Your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.**

Pastor: When I consider Your heavens, the work of our fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

People: **What is mankind that You are mindful of them, human beings that You care for them?**

Pastor: You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

People: **You made them rulers over the works of Your hands; You put everything under their feet:**

FIRST READING, Genesis 1:1-10, 14, 20, 24, 27-28, 31 (NIV) _____, reader
The Account of Creation

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." And there was evening, and there was morning—the first day. And God said, "Let there be a vault between the waters to separate water from water." So God made the vault and separated the water under the vault from the water above it. And it was so. God called the vault "sky." And there was evening, and there was morning—the second day. And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so. God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good. And God said, "Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the vault of the sky." And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

SECOND READING, Acts 2:42-47 (NIV) _____, reader
The Life of the Early Christians

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Wedding and Baptism Pictures

GOSPEL READING Luke 24:36-49 (NIV) Jesus' appearance on Easter evening

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence. He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

THE NICENE CREED Everyone

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.

MESSAGE SONG *Oh, That The Lord Would Guide My Ways* LSB #707, vs. 1-4

MESSAGE “Changes Not Compromise: The New Normal”

OFFERING PRAYER Pastor

Gracious God, Jesus promised His disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, a gift that remains as powerful and transformative today as it was on the first Pentecost. With generous and thankful hearts, we offer our gifts to You — our time, treasure and talent, but most of all, our hearts. Use us and our offerings for Your purposes and glory. Amen.

THE PREFACE LSB, Page #177

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.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and beneficial 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 on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS *Holy, holy, holy* LSB, Page 178

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS Pastor

We Remember in our Prayers:

Pastor Andy Pronsati and his family

Elly, Evan, Cindy, Sheryl, Lonnie, Jonah, Amy, Cory, Rachel, Omar

Medical Personnel and First Responders: Stephen, Rebecca, Becky, Karen, Erik, Lindsey, Stephanie, Chris, Ericka, Todd & Heidi, Tim, Luke, Mike, Jim, Jeff

Prayers for our Men and Women in the Military: Matt, John, Joe, Connor, Eric

Our Nation and Leaders in the midst of COVID-19 & the riots

THE LORD'S PRAYER Everyone

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION Pastor

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

In the same way also He took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink from this all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION RESPONSE

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

People: **And also with you.**

THE AGNUS DEI *Lamb of God*

LSB, Page #163

THE LORD'S SUPPER ~ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Keyboard and Guitar Instrumentals: *As the Deer*

As We Seek Your Face

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Everyone

LSB, Page #183

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

THE BLESSING 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 His peace. Amen.

CLOSING SONG *Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven* **LSB #477, vs. 1-3**