

THE 2nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TODAY'S WORSHIP

JUNE 14, 2009

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist

* = Stand

C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN** *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* **940 (1-3)**

VBS SONGS (8:00 & 10:30)

Gadget Song

God Made Me

Builder of Everything

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

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

C: Amen. (Sung)

L: Exalt the Lord our God and worship Him all you coastlands,

C: For the Lord our God is holy.

L: The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble.

C: He sits enthroned between the cherubim.

L: Let the earth shake;

C: Let the isles wait for His law,

L: Until He has established justice in the earth.

C: Great is the Lord in Zion.

L: He is exalted over the nations.

C: Let them declare His praise among all people.

L: Let all people praise His great and awesome name.

C: Most merciful God: I confess that I have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. I have no merits or worthiness of my own to plead before You. I am sorry for my sins and humbly come before You. Because of the person and work of my Lord Jesus Christ, I ask Your forgiveness for His sake. God, be merciful to me, a sinner, and forgive me for all that I have done amiss. Amen.

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: Amen. (Sung)

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: 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. (Sung)

***THE KYRIE**

C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us. (Amen.)

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spirit. (Sung)

L: Let us pray.

C: Amen. (Sung)

THE FIRST READING for the second Sunday after Pentecost is from Ezekiel 17:22-24, page 630:

²² " This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it; I will break off a tender sprig from its topmost shoots and plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³ On the mountain heights of Israel I will plant it; it will produce branches and bear fruit and become a splendid cedar. Birds of every kind will nest in it; they will find shelter in the shade of its branches. ²⁴ All the trees of the field will know that I the LORD bring down the tall tree and make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. " I the LORD have spoken, and I will do it.' "

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God. (Sung)

THE EPISTLE is from II Corinthians 5:6-10,14-17, page 860:

6 Therefore we are always confident and know that as long as we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord. 7 We live by faith, not by sight. 8 We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord. 9 So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. 10 For 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. 14 For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. 16 So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Sung)

*THE HOLY GOSPEL - The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter, verses 26-34, page 746-747:

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord. (Sung)

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

26 He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. 27 Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. 28 All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. 29 As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come." 30 Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? 31 It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. 32 Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade." 33 With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. 34 He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ. (Sung)

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontious Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SONG (Sung as the children come forward) (8:00 & 10:30)

I am the church! You are the church!

We are the church together! All who follow Jesus

All around the world! Yes, we're the church together. (Repeat 2x)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30) Marilyn Wiesehan

HYMN OF THE DAY *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* **821**

THE SERMON "Living as a New Creation" (II Cor. 5:6-10, 14-17)

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.*

VOLUNTARY

***THE OFFERTORY** (LSB pg 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**

*THE BENEDICTION

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **Amen. Amen. Amen. (Sung)**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** *Jesus, My Truth, My Way*

- 1. Jesus, my Truth, my Way, My sure, unerring Light,
On You my feeble soul I stay, Which You wilt lead aright.**
- 2. You see my feebleness; Jesus, be You my Power,
My Help and Refuge in distress, My Fortress and my Tower.**
- 3. Give me to trust in You; Be You my sure Abode;
My Horn and Rock and Buckler true, My Savior and my God.**

*SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: Alice Kastens

NEWS AND NOTES:

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

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons) "The Truth Project"

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

7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel

ALTAR FLOWERS are from the Gayle Decker and Scott LaPlante families, in honor and celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents, Jack and Ella LaPlante.

SERVICES for Gloria Raleigh, 80, were Thursday. Our sympathy to the family.

PATRIOTIC SERVICES will be held June 27/28 in anticipation of Independence Day rather than over the July 4/5 weekend. Please note this opportunity to invite others.

BIBLE STUDY of the Book of Hebrews starts this week Wed., June 17, 2009, 7:00 p.m. downstairs. Bring a friend or spouse. Welcome! Pastor Winker

LADIES GUILD PICNIC at the Volk's home this Thursday, June 18th at 12 noon.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES on Sundays, 6:00-7:30 p.m., start June 28. Sign up sheet is posted on the Commons' bulletin board. (Or you today may indicate desired enrollment on your worship attendance card.) Auditors welcome.

BEGINNING GREEK will be taught, starting this Thurs., June 18, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Office Conference Room. A "sign up" sheet is posted on the Commons bulletin board for any interested in attending or auditing, or you may call, 314-892-5610 X113.

ACOLYTE TRAINING for the 7th graders is scheduled for today 9:00 - 9:15 and also next weekend June 21. Trainers are Daniel Prange, Quintin Cundiff and Jim Prothro.

COUPLES CLUB Riverboat Dinner Cruise, Sat., June 20th, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. \$40.00 per person. RSVP to Karen Mathany, 487-5618.

WANTED: Your unwanted (useable, unbroken, clean) items for August 8, Saturday, Couples' Club Garage Sale! Items may be dropped off at the lower level storage room on the West side. Clean clothing brought on hangers would be greatly appreciated. Call Fred Seiller, 631-4650 or Rich Behnke, 398-1288.

FLAG RETIREMENT June 18, 7 p.m. If you have a tattered or faded flag, call Diane Simpson, 351-0769, for Scout Troop 584's ceremony.

NATIONAL REPENTANCE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, we ask Your forgiveness, and seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, "Woe to those who call evil good," but that is often what we have done. We confess that we have ridiculed absolute truth and called it pluralism; we have endorsed perversion and called it an alternative lifestyle; we have killed our unborn and called it choice; we have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem; we have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition; we have ridiculed time-honored values and called it enlightenment. Search us, O God. Cleanse us and set us free. Direct us to the center of Your will through Your Son, our living Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAY FOR: Peace Mission Trip and Servant Event participants.

ARTS CAMP

"No Strings Attached" Arts Camp starts Monday. Times are from 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Please plan to arrive at 8:45 to check-in and pick-up your schedule. The Arts Camp closing program will be Friday, 6:30 p.m. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please call Sherry Bierwagen, DMM at 314-892-5610.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL had an enrollment of over 160 pupils from early childhood through 6th grade, together with over 100 teachers and helpers. Our thanks to parents, staff, students, and especially Maureen Bryan, Superintendent, for an uplifting Christian education and fellowship experience.

2009 VBS STAFF

Director - Maureen Bryan; **Registration** - Judy Spitzmiller, June Seiller, Angela Crabtree, Ellen Wuerffel; **Snacks** - Jeanette Kille, Jim Kille, Carol Seitz, Frances Cobble, Jana Rakers, Kelly Werner, Sara Hopfer, Gina Werkmeister, Jocelyn Cazzell; **Crafts** - Cathy Thompson, Lani Thompson, Kay Kassel, Chris Smith, Audra Cusumano, Shari Marsh, Paula Seitz; **Music** - Pat Fick, Pastor Steve Fick, Kelsey Goodman; **Team Recess** - Greg Mueller, Dan Suedkamp, Clay Brock, Brian Foster, Alex Curran, Kyle Eaton, Tyler Eaton, Vince Tockstein; **Newsletter** - Tammy Jensen; **T-Shirts** - Anita Behnke, Karen Mathany; **Opening / Closing** - Greg Mueller, Dan Suedkamp, Kristin Woehr; **Bible Story** - Christina Stackle, Sarah Andrews, Adam Behnke, Aaron Behnke, Marina Nichols; **Scenery** - Godiva Reisenbichler, Christopher Reisenbichler; **Service** - Debbie Kreidler; **Preschool** - Sue Velten, Janet Sheets, Helen Sheets, Kristen Hammon, Amanda Crain, Justin Reinbold, Sandy Akers, Lily Miller, Annette Heckenberg, Linda Kreps, Julie Schlemmer, Amanda Crain, Stephanie Young, Kelsey Goodman, Erin Kelley, Sandy Akers, Helen Sheets, Jenny Velten, Pauline Dowell; **Kindergarten** - Sarah Maloy, Daniel Yaeger, Lauren Wirtel, Kallie Federhofer, Lauren Shawcross, Hope Beckerle, Kelly Hihn, Erin Kelley, Danielle Bishaw, Dylan Eaton; **1st Grade** - Kristen Hammon, Jimmy Hudson, Nathan Burrus, Michael Hodapp, Amanda Pettyjohn, Mark Giradelli, Kyle Hopfer, Kristina Hicks; **2nd Grade** - Ron Marsh, Jillian Beckerle, Kayla Brock, Jessica Rakers, Ryan Meyers, Spencer Behrens, Daniel Yaeger; **3rd & 4th Grade** - Julie Shawcross, Julia Petrovic, Mark Richter, Matt Thiel, Ryan Horn, A.J. Hardwick, Ethan Trower; **5th & 6th Grade** - Denny Hettenhausen, Kristin Woehr, Ethan Werkmeister.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2009:

Today: 10:30 Mission Outreach Committee Mtg.
6:00 Father/Son Bible Study
Mon: 9:00 Arts Camp
9:30 Berean Careciples
Tue: 9:00 Arts Camp
6:00 Chimes Choir
6:00 Scholarship Committee
6:00 Property Management
Wed: 9:00 Arts Camp
7:00 Wed. Bible Study
Thur: 9:00 Arts Camp
12:00 Ladies Guild
7:00 Beginning Greek Class
Fri: 9:00 Arts Camp
6:30 Arts Camp Closing Program
Sat: 9:00 Brass Choir
5:00 Worship Service w/Communion