



As We Gather 2nd Sunday after Pentecost June 19, 2022 **Father's Day**

It has been said, "History is written by the victors." We can look back on our national and overall world history and the many battles waged, wars fought, conflicts had, and understand the truth of that assessment. In the written, Spirit-inspired Word of God, we have a record and affirmation of the greatest victories and the only Victor the world would ever need. As Jesus shows His power over demons in healing a possessed man, a battle is won. But a greater victory over Satan and destroying all we ever need fear would be fought and won as He laid His life down on the cross, fulfilled in the promised resurrection victory to follow. Scripture is our history but also our present and our future as it was written and continues to be proclaimed as we gather together and as we live each day with the assurance of Christ victorious over death, the grave, and all things.

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Please meet with an usher for prayer requests.
Ask us about Associate Memberships for Lutherans who are part-time residents.

A Gentle Reminder to turn off cell phones. Thank You.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION



As Lutheran Christians, we believe that our Lord's Body and Blood are truly present (not symbolic) in the Bread and Wine and received by all who attend. Since our Lord reminds us that thoughtless or faithless reception of the Sacrament can incur His judgment, all are encouraged to examine themselves that they may receive it worthily.
(1 Corinthians 11:27-32)

Please use the following questions and LSB p. 329 as a personal guide before partaking of this Holy Sacrament:

- *Do I renounce sin, Satan and my own flesh, and seek true forgiveness and reconciliation with God and my neighbor?**
- *Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Savior from sin, death, and the power of the devil?**
- *Do I believe that Christ's own words, this is my body and this is my blood shed for you for the forgiveness of sins (Mt. 26:28), mean exactly what they say for us today?**
- *Do I earnestly desire to live a Godly life by the power of the Holy Spirit and in thanksgiving to Christ?**

Because attendance at Communion is also a testimony to this faith in the Triune God confessed and taught here, and to unity in belief as brothers and sisters in Christ (1 Corinthians 10:16-17), we ask that any visitors not yet instructed, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and who desire to receive the Sacrament introduce themselves to the Pastor or Elder beforehand if possible.

Please Note

An invitation for children not confirmed in the Lutheran church can come and receive a blessing at the altar.

We offer a traditional communion wafer,
Off-White Color Wafers are Gluten Free.

While communing, please point to the bread meeting your preference.
Clear Color Wine is Alcohol Free

PRELUDE WELCOME

HYMN #901 “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Psalm 3, adapted.(Of David when he fled from Absalom his son); Luke 8:39

- P** Arise, O LORD!
C Save me, O my God!
P O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;
C many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God.
P But You, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.
C I cried aloud to the LORD, and He answered me from His holy hill.
P I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.
C I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.
P Salvation belongs to the LORD; Your blessing be on Your people! Arise, O LORD!
C Save me, O my God!
P Return to your home,
C and declare how much God has done for you.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION Isaiah 65:8–9

- P** We come before our Lord in confession, no longer as slaves, but as God’s own children and as heirs of all He graciously gives.
C We confess we often remain captive and enslaved to our sin and have neglected the name You have given us as Your children.
P Like those in Isaiah’s day, we are a rebellious people who walk in a way that is neither good nor faithful, following our own devices and desires.
C We, on our own, have no right to be called Your heirs or to receive Your blessings.

- P** For the many times we forget Christ’s power and victory and all we ever need fear in this body and life,
- C** **forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** Through the mercy and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus, and in spite of our sinful nature and willful breaking of His Law given out of love, He calls us His children and His heirs to set us free and to live in the victory He has won for us. Through Christ alone we have gained access to His grace by which we now stand. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

WORD

INTROIT Psalm 71:20–24; antiphon: v. 3

- P** Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;
- C** **you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.**
- P** You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again;
- C** **from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.**
- P** You will increase my greatness
- C** **and comfort me again.**
- P** I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God;
- C** **I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.**
- P** My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you;
- C** **my soul also, which you have redeemed.**
- P** And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long,
- C** **for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.**
- All** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P** Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;
- C** **you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.**

KYRIE

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For the peace coming to us from beyond creation and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace of all people around the planet, for the well-being of the Church of God in time and space, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise to our majestic God let us pray to the Lord.
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE LSB 947

I All glo - ry be to God on high And thanks for all His
 fa - vor; No harm can touch or ter - ri - fy A
 child of God for - ev - er. God shows His good and
 gra - cious will And grants His peace, the world to fill—
 All strife at last has end - ed.

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SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You are the victor over all we face in this world. You are the destroyer of all things eternally harmful.
- C** **Free us from the power of sin, death, and Satan, and all that binds us.**
- P** Enable and equip us to serve You and our neighbors with joy and gladness, for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 65:1–9

“¹I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, “Here am I, here am I,” to a nation that was not called by my name. ²I spread out my hands all the day to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and making offerings on bricks; ⁴who sit in tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat pig’s flesh, and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels; ⁵who say, “Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.” These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all the day. ⁶Behold, it is written before me: “I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their bosom ⁷both your iniquities and your fathers’ iniquities together, says the LORD; because they made offerings on the mountains and insulted me on the hills, I will measure into their bosom payment for their former deeds.” ⁸Thus says the LORD: “As the new wine is found in the cluster, and they say, ‘Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,’ so I will do for my servants’ sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of my mountains; my chosen shall possess it, and my servants shall dwell there.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL Romans 10:8b, 10

- P** The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart,
- C** **the word of faith that we proclaim.**
- P** For with the heart one believes and is justified,
- C** **and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.**

EPISTLE READING Galatians 3:23—4:7

²³Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. ¹I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, ²but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. ³In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

VERSE Luke 8:39a

P Alleluia. Return to your home,

C and declare how much God has done for you. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 8:26–39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." ²⁹For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged him not to command

them to depart into the abyss. ³²Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. ³⁴When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLE’S 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 Pontius 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY # 825 “Rise, Shine, You People”

SERMON “How Much God Has Done For You” Luke 8:26-39

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P God the Father Almighty, You so loved the world that You gave Your only-begotten Son...[*Petitions follow*]...Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY LSB 192

C 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.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

- P** It is truly good, right, and proper 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 by His power, dominion, sacrificial death, and victorious resurrection has freed all people from the binding chains and darkness of sin, death, and Satan, opening 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 saying:

SANCTUS “Oh, Holy, Holy Is the Lord” *st. 1* (Tune: “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”)

- 1** Oh, holy, holy is the Lord,
The God by heav’n and earth adored.
We join the angels in their song,
Their glorious praises to prolong.

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THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

P Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb."
C Lord, have mercy.
P John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"
C Christ, have mercy.
P John saw "the Lamb in the midst of the throne."
C Lord, have mercy and grant us Your peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

Soloist – Christine Constien, "In Remembrance of Me" – Cheri Keaggy
#547 – The Lamb, please sing with Christine #878 – Abide with Me

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You call us Your children, heirs of the blessings You bestow without any merit or worthiness in us. We thank You for the victory won for us out of Your mercy, and for feeding us with this foretaste of the feast to come when all Your heirs will be free from sin and sorrow; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

CATECHISM

P As we have prayed the prayer our Lord has taught us and being continually reminded of Christ's victory over Satan won for us, we reflect upon the petitions of the Lord's Prayer as we go about our days in His name. In the Sixth Petition, we pray, **C** And lead us not into temptation.

PRAYER LIST: Dan Aslin, hospital; Harold Holtz, cancer treatment; Deedee Halterman, lung cancer, sister-in-law of Maggie Halterman; Tom Stettler, Southern Utah Veterans Home; the homebound.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mon. June 20 4:30 p.m. Church Council
Tues. – Fri. June 21-25 Pacific Southwest District Convention Las Vegas
Thur. June 24 10:30 a.m. Grief Support Group

BIRTHDAYS

Jun 19 Les Miller Jun 21 Gordon Shepherd Jun 23 Turk Chaney
Jun 28 Pete Bollenbecker
Jun 28 Tyler Bruehl Jun 30 Jack Beadles

ANNIVERSARIES

Jun 19 Jack & Lois Beadles Jun 20 Norris & Wendy Fullmer
Jun 25 Bud & Evelyn Macy Jun 29 Randy & Genese Olson
Jun 29 John & Agnes Lembke Jun 30 Mike & Winnie Ethington

10 a.m. service available online at our Facebook page (live and recorded - @MesquiteLCC). You do not need a Facebook account to view. Go to facebook.com/MesquiteLCC/live

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