## Pentecost 6 July 4, 2021 Divine Service 4

## Confession and Absolution



- P In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the 

  Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- P 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.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- Amen.

## Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 132:13–16; antiphon: Psalm 34:8

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

For the LORD has chosen Zion;

he has desired it for his dwelling place:

"This is my resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy."

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.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!





C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



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**©** 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.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### Old Testament Reading Ezekiel's Call

He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God.' And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them."

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

### **Epistle**

2 *Corinthians* 12:1–10

#### Paul's Visions and His Thorn

I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— and he heard things that cannot be told. which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia and Verse



#### Holy Gospel

Mark 6:1–13

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

## Jesus Rejected at Nazareth

[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

## **Jesus Sends Out the Apostles**

And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

#### 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,

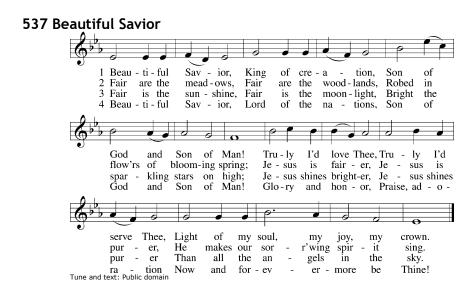
who spoke by the prophets.

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.



#### Sermon

### Offering

## Prayer of the Church

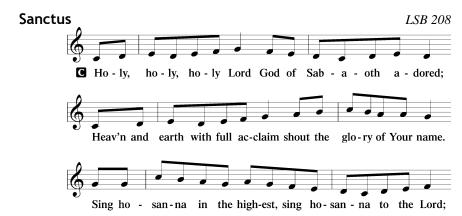
- P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For endurance as our Lord leads us through a hostile world that rejects His Christ and shows no honor to His wisdom or Church; that we would not lose heart; that the Holy Spirit would steel us for opposition; and that we may rest confidently on what God has said, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For all preachers and hearers of God's prophetic Word, that the great and mighty work of God to create faith in Christ's eternal blessings by His Holy Spirit would continue; that God would remove all stubborn ears from our midst; and that Christ would not leave us without His Word, but make His home among us and restore the joy of His salvation, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For the home, that God would soften obdurate hearts, turning parents and children toward each other in love and patience; and that He would banish the spirit of impudence, stubbornness and rebellion from all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For our nation, that it may be defended against its enemies; for our leaders, that they may be preserved from temptation; and for the work of all civil authorities, that we may be enabled to live quiet and peaceable lives according to His Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For those whose pain is chronic, whose sustained suffering is unknown, who wrestle with difficult thorns in body or mind, or who are tempted to despair, that they may know that in their weakness they are strong for the sake of Christ, whose grace is sufficient for every need, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For \_\_\_\_\_, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- And for courage in weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions and calamities, to boast in Christ and His cross, by which we and our sufferings are sanctified, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For all who commune this day, that in repentance and faith they may taste and see that their Lord is good in the abundant blessing of Christ's true body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.
- C Amen.

## Service of the Sacrament

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- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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:





### Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

## 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.

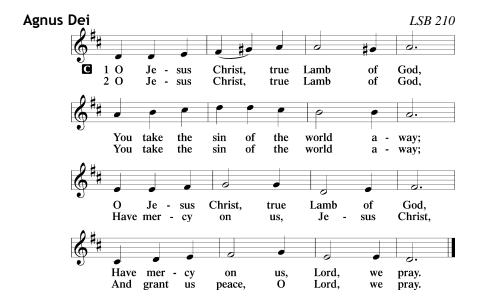
#### The Words of Our Lord

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 the 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 testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### Pax Domini

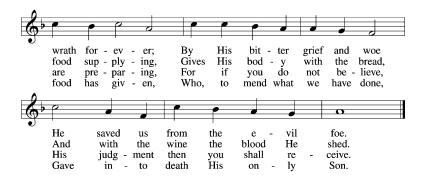
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen.



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## 627 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

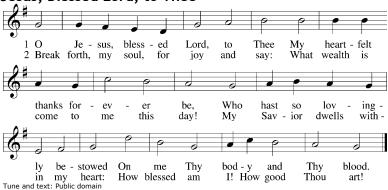




- Firmly hold with faith unshaken
   That this food is to be taken
   By the sick who are distressed,
   By hearts that long for peace and rest.
- Agony and bitter labor
   Were the cost of God's high favor;
   Do not come if you suppose
   You need not Him who died and rose.
- 7 Christ says: "Come, all you that labor, And receive My grace and favor: Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill.
- 8 "For what purpose was My dying If not for your justifying? And what use this precious food If you yourself were pure and good?"
- 9 If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses, You will be your Savior's guest, Be at His banquet truly blest.
- 10 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.

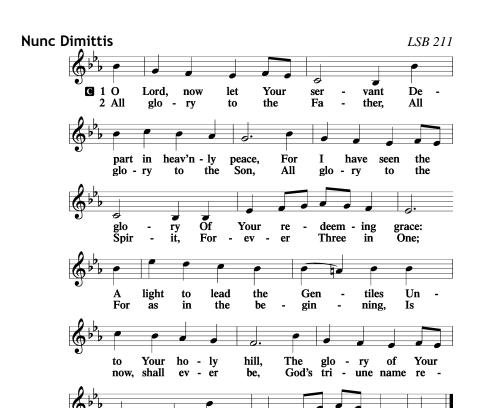
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#### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



468 I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives





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#### **Post-Communion Collect**

A Let us pray.

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We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

#### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

#### Amen.





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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Come join us** for Bible Study today at 10:15 am in the Followship Hall. We are studying the Gospel of Luke.

**Sunday School** is today at 10:15 am at the Lutheran student center.

**Thursday Noon Bible Study** will meet in Fellowship Hall. We are studying The Book of Ezekiel.

Thank you, Martha Cox, Sophie Stagner for providing altar care today.

**Large print bulletins** are now available. Please let an usher know if you need one.

Tylin & Taye Davidson had perfect attendance for June

Tylin Davidson & Jasmine Bennett were winners of attendance prizes for June.

Pastor and Kelle would like to thank the congregation for the wonderful celebration for his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the ministry. It was greatly appreciated. A special thank you to everyone who put it together and provided the refreshments.

.LWML/DORCAS activities for July include Mite Collection Sunday, July 4, before and after service. The collection box will be located in the narthex. Our mites fund national and district LWML mission projects nationally and internationally. Servant Workshop is scheduled for July 20, 1-3 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Tying quilts, marking Bibles and sewing dresses will be mission activities in the church basement. September ingatherings are fast approaching and our goals for dresses and quilts are about to be met. All supplies are provided, the

projects are easy and companionship is warm. All are welcomed.

Monday Bible Study is scheduled for July 26, 2 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Sarah Thiem leads our group through a Bible Study found in the LWML quarterly. All are welcomed.

## July 4th Mite Collection



We hope you have saved your change for our mite collection box. It is located near the entry to the sanctuary. For a complete list of grant projects visit LWML.org and click on the Mission tab. Checks should be written to Immanuel Dorcas LWML Society. Total of Mites

received in 2020: \$516.19. Mites received in January 2021 \$32.34, February \$21.02, March \$160.40, April \$49.24, May \$53.61, June \$124.62.

# Featured Grant: Making Jesus Known in the United States Ethnic Communities

## Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri \$100,000



Throughout the country, there are many devoted first-generation immigrants serving in full-time ministry, reaching out to their ethnic communities and sharing the Gospel. Many of these church workers are enrolled in either of two Concordia Seminary programs — the Center for Hispanic Studies (CHS) and the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology (EIIT).

Both share the mission to make Christ known in their respective ethnic communities. CHS has a four-year program taught in Spanish and includes students from many Hispanic-Latino cultures. The EIIT program already has students that have been working in Word and Sacrament ministry as part of

their culture. These students often have strained financial circumstances that are making it difficult to pay for this necessary education. Most hold two and three jobs to make ends meet but are willing



to go to great lengths in the service of Christ and His Gospel. It is vital that they have the Biblical foundation to go with their passion for ministry. This grant will go towards funding the education costs of these devoted students and church workers.

## Sunday School Lesson Summaries: Unit 6 GOD RESTORES HIS PEOPLE.

#### Lesson 1:

The lesson this week is "Provided-For Prophet"
The prophet Elijah warns King Ahab of the severe drought coming.
God first sends Elijah to the brook Cherith, where He provides
ravens to feed him. When the brook dries up, Elijah lodges with a
widow in Zarephath. Despite her limited supply of flour and oil, it
never runs out. God supplies just what they need each day. When
the widow's son dies, Elijah raises him back to life through God's
power.