



**Our Savior Lutheran Church
Worship Service
June 21, 2020
Third Sunday after Pentecost**

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 86)

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

GATHERING HYMN – ELW #802 Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-aBUXgpIOE>

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father and of the +Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, +one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

Amen

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

(Silence for reflection)

Reconciling God,

**We confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives.
We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts.
We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.
We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.
We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us.
We sin in thought, word and deed.
By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that
we may love and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through +Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GREETING

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE – ELW #841 Lift Every Voice and Sing The children's choir of Orlando

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SVpfnlvemis>

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him."

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹²O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF LAMENT – ELW #698 How Long, O God

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7X0UKRX6 II>

Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18

⁷It is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that shame has covered my face.

⁸**I have become a stranger to my kindred, an alien to my mother's children.**

⁹It is zeal for your house that has consumed me; the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

¹⁰**When I humbled my soul with fasting, they insulted me for doing so.**

¹⁶Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

¹⁷**Do not hide your face from your servant, for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.**

¹⁸**Draw near to me, redeem me, set me free because of my enemies.**

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 10:24-39

²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message - Tim Leitner, SAM

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LPvEX79icMo&feature=youtu.be>

**HYMN OF THE DAY – ELW #763 My Life Flows On in Endless Song
(How Can I Keep from singing)**

<http://www.oslchopeonthehill.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/How-Can-I-Keep-from-Singing-NYC-Virtual-Choir-and-Orchestra-137140.mp4>

The words are modified from our hymnal's version but it is still an uplifting hymn:

1: My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. *Chorus*

2: While though the tempest round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth.
And though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth. *Chorus*

3: I Lift my eyes. The cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it.
And day by day, this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it. *Chorus*

Chorus: No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that rock, I'm clinging
Since love prevails in heaven and earth, How can I keep from singing?

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead,
on the third day, he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our world.

A brief silence

Expansive God, you bring diverse voices together to form your church. Open our hearts and unstop our ears to learn from one another, that differences do not overshadow our baptismal unity. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Providing God, your creation shows us that life comes from death. Renew the places where our land, air and waterways have been ill for too long. Direct the work of all so we may care for your creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Protecting God, sustain and keep safe all who work to stand up for others across the world. Revive and strengthen organizations dedicated to caring for refugees and migrants while their homelands struggle for peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Loving God, you promise to be with all who are persecuted for your sake. Guide all who speak your work of justice and console any who are tormented or targeted for being who they are. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Compassionate God, you are with us and we are never alone. Heal the sick, comfort those who mourn, lift up those who are struggling and strengthen us all to share your compassion. Bless all fathers and father figures who strive to love and nurture as you do. Comfort all who long to be fathers and all for whom this day is difficult. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reigning God, you bless us with guides and caretakers in the faith. As we give thanks for those who have died, increase our care for one another until we walk with them in newness of life. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth, as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, +Jesus, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN – ELW#660 Lift High the Cross

King of Glory Lutheran Church, ELCA - Dallas, Texas

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gIK-XUfd10>

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

