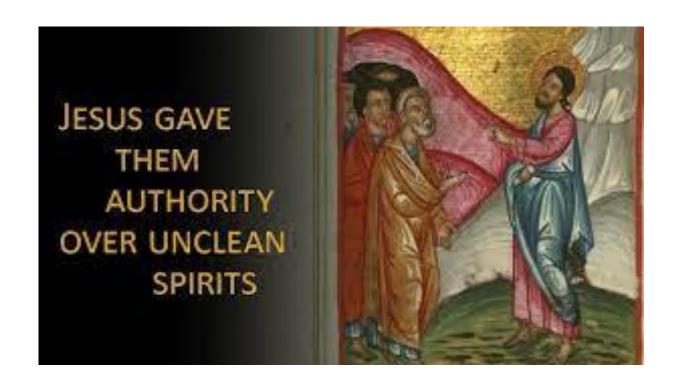


June 18, 2023 Third Sunday After Pentecost Fathers' Day



PRELUDE - Sonata in G

Domenico, Scarlatti

John Cribb

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brian

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned.

We have hurt our community.

We have squandered your blessings.

We have hoarded your bounty.

In the name of Jesus,

forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Righteous God.

we confess that we have sinned.

We have failed to be honest.

We have lacked the courage to speak.

We have spoken falsely.

In the name of Jesus,

forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

Amen.

GATHERING

Faith of our Fathers #813 (red hymnal, rear section)

Faith of our fathers, living still, in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword. Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene'er we hear that glorious word. Faith of our fathers, holy faith, we will be true to you til death.

Faith of our mothers, daring faith, your work for Christ is love revealed, spreading God's word from pole to pole, making love known and freedom real. Faith of our mothers, holy faith, we will be true to you til death.

Faith of our sisters, brothers too, who still must bear oppression's might, raising on high, in prisons dark, the cross of Christ still burning bright. Faith for today, O living faith, we will be true to you til death.

Faith born of God, oh, call us yet, bind us with all who follow you, sharing the struggle of your cross until the world is made anew. Faith born of God, O living faith, we will be true to you til death.

GREETING

The grace of Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

GLORIA p. 204

(red hymnal, front section)

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth. Mighty God of all creation, Maker of surpassing worth; we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love. Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above; on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call; Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all; Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Maker's splendor bright. For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you!

And also with you!

Let us pray together.

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 19:2-8a

[The congregation will read the **bold** words.]

[The Israelites] had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness;

Israel camped there in front of the mountain.

Then Moses went up to God;

the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying,

"Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites:

You have seen what I did to the Egyptians,

and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.

Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant,

you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples.

Indeed, the whole earth is mine,

but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.

These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people,

and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

The people all answered as one

"Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 100 (the congregation responds with the bold words)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness;

come into God's presence with a song.

Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the God with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-8 (The congregation reads the bold words.)

[Paul writes:]

Since we are justified by faith,

we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance,

and endurance produces character.

and character produces hope,

and hope does not disappoint us,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person

though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.

But God proves God's love for us

in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CONVERSATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION p. 205 (red hymnal, front section)

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word. Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred. Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 9:35—10:8

The gospel lesson for this Third Sunday after Pentecost is from the 9^{th} and 10^{th} chapters of the Gospel of Matthew, beginning with the ninth chapter, the 35^{th} verse.

Glory to you, O God.

(The congregation shall read the bold words.)

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues,

and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom,

and curing every disease and every sickness.

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them,

because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples,

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;

therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits,

to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles:

first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew;

James son of Zebedee, and his brother John;

Philip and Bartholomew;

Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;

James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;

Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:

"Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans,

but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

As you go, proclaim the good news,

'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'

Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons.

You received without payment; give without payment.

This is the gospel indeed.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Joyce Bauer

SERMON HYMN You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore #817 (red hymnal, rear section)

You have come down to the lakeshore seeking neither the wise nor the wealthy, but only asking for me to follow.

REFRAIN

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name.

On the sand I have abandoned my small boat; now with you, I will seek other seas.

You know full well what I have, Lord: neither treasure nor weapons for conquest, just these my fish nets and will for working.

REFRAIN

Sweet Lord, you have looked into my eyes; kindly smiling, you've called out my name.

You need my hands, my exhaustion, working love for the rest of the weary – a love that's willing to go on loving.
REFRAIN

You who have fished other waters; you, the longing of souls that are yearning: O loving Friend, you have come to call me. REFRAIN

APOSTLE'S CREED

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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 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 THE PEOPLE

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

For the church here and around the world, we pray. Seek out disciples and send them out with authority to proclaim good news, bring healing where there is pain, and counter the forces of evil. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the earth and all its creatures, we pray. Equip farmers, farm workers, and all who labor on the land to produce a harvest. Nourish crops with ample rainfall and abundant sunshine. Restore lands ruined by pollution or misuse. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For those who govern, we pray. Empower those who seek peaceful solutions to conflict and embolden those who advocate for all who are oppressed. Work through systems of government to establish justice throughout the world. God, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For those who suffer, we pray. Accompany those who feel helpless, alone, or abandoned. Embrace any who long for successful treatment for mental illness or freedom from addiction. Heal those who are sick, especially...

- Wes, brother of John Cribb recovering from kidney surgery
- Byron Nelson friend of Jacoby's Cancer
- Monica Stephens, friend of Heidi Carney spot on her lungs
- Mike Johnson lymphatic cancer
- Chris Senter undiagnosed illness
- Darel Sorensen and family, in the death of Betty
- The people of Faith Lutheran Church in Cambridge, Massachusetts, whose entire church building burned up on Easter Sunday afternoon
- Donna Cuvelier friend of Gail B., numerous health concerns
- Family of Ryan Loomis Cindy Haener's nephew who died in an auto accident in Arizona
- Heidi Carney Diagnostic tests
- Kate Anderson
- Ben Kathie Sperow's grandson recovering from trauma
- Ina Davenport recent fall
- Linda Hermann mother-in-law of Katie Edson's daughter, leukemia
- Gary Brochtrup cataract surgery on June 14
- Betty Johnson recovering from infection and blood clot while undergoing chemotherapy
- Aaron Brochtrup starting physical therapy to treat lower back
- Denise Kenealy, daughter-in-law of Robin Karas continuing to make progress in recovery
- Linda Luke to gain weight and strength
- Jim Luke supporting Linda's recovery
- Becky Padilla- responding well to treatment for cancer
- Marcia Shep, Jennifer Kurrle's grandmother
- James Hecker- ongoing abdominal pain
- Mercedes Stevens, Katie Edson's mother
- Iglesia Santa Cruz, Pastor Esteban and Angie- for our support of their ministry
- For those who are contracting COVID
- For the people of Ukraine, for strength, healing, protection, and changes of heart for those attacking them

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For fathers and father figures, we pray. Console all who long to be fathers, children estranged from their fathers, anyone grieving the death of a father, and fathers who have lost a child. Draw near to all for whom this day stirs up difficult emotions. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray also, 0 God, for those whom we have not named yet, but are also in need of our support and intercession, especially,

[You may name out loud or in your heart, those who are on your hearts, this morning.]

God in. your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all the saints, we give thanks. Receive into your eternal care all those who have died, especially David Tibbitts, and fill us with hope that does not disappoint. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** Let us share that peace with one another.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together.... God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.

Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY p. 207

(red hymnal, front section)

Holy, holy, holy Lord.
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of our Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks and 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."

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you. It is the new covenant of my blood, shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

Let us pray the prayer that our Lord Jesus taught us:

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.

LAMB OF GOD p. 208 (red hymnal, front section)

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away you suffered death our lives to save; have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.

O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away; eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

TAKING OF HOLY COMMUNION

[All who desire may come forward to take the body and blood of Christ. Gluten-free bread is available if you ask for it, and alcohol-free grape juice is in the center ring of the tray. During the distribution of Communion, you may also seek prayers of healing at the chair by the baptismal font.]

COMMUNION MUSIC - A Meditation, Gilbert M. Martin

COMMUNION BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and keep you in eternal life. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together:

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

AMEN.

BLESSING

The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN God, Whose Almighty Word #673 (red hymnal, rear section)

God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard and took their flight; hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.

Christ, who once came to bring, on your redeeming wing, healing and sight; health to the troubled mind, sight where illusions blind; oh, now to humankind let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love, lifegiving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Holy and blessed three, glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might; boundless as ocean's tide, rolling in fullest pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE - Fantasia on "Morning Song", Lani Smith

John Cribb

Thank you to:

- **Joyce Bauer,** for preaching.
- **Cindy Haener,** for being assistant minister today.
- **John Cribb** for accompanying.
- Sandy McMillan and others for counting the offering.
- **Joyce Bauer** for preparing communion.
- **Janet Lorenzo** and others for streaming worship.
- **Janet Lorenzo and Gail Brochtrup** for editing and assembling worship bulletins and the newsletter.
- Nancy Padilla, for setting up and welcoming.
- **Gary and Mark Orback,** for tending to our outside property.
- **Sophia and Janet Lorenzo,** for tending to our inside property.
- Ken Brocks, Dan Sperow, Andrew Jacoby, and Gary Brochtrup for their handyman work.
- The Church Council, for leading our congregation.
- The whole group that helped out with the Readers Theater last Sunday, headed by Janet Lorenzo.

Events this week:

- **The discussion group on The Chosen** will meet tonight, 7:00 to 8:00 pm on Zoom, to talk about Season 2, Episode 2. New participants are welcome!
- The **Sermon Feedback and Feedforward** will meet tomorrow, Monday, June 19th, at 9:30 am. We will be discussing next week's lessons: Jeremiah 20:7-13; Psalm 69:7-18; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39. Talk with Pastor Brian if you are newly interested in attending.
- **Bible Study** will take place on Wednesday, June 21st at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall. We are just beginning a new curriculum, watching a video called *The Bible as Literature*, and then discussing it. This is a good time to join in! This week's subject will be Violence and Kindness in the Promised Land.
- The Church Council will meet this Thursday, June 22nd, starting at 2:00 pm I the fellowship hall.
- The monthly **fellowship brunch** after worship has been moved to Sunday, July 2. All are encouraged to stay for good food and good conversation!
- If you too would like to create **bulletin cover art** such as we have seen done by our young people recently, please talk with Pastor Brian.
- Let Pastor Brian know if you would like to **start receiving his weekly emails**. (bsteinwebber@gmail.com)

Don't forget to check the Calendar website page for upcoming events: morrobaylutherans.org