

WE HAVE This treasure in Jars of Clay.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:7

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 2, 2024 9:30 AM St. Paul's Lutheran Church Henrik Sonntag, Pastor 120 N. Easton Road, Glenside, PA 215-884-3005

GATHERING

THE PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on "O Day of Rest and Gladness" (Ellacombe) Aaron David Miller

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

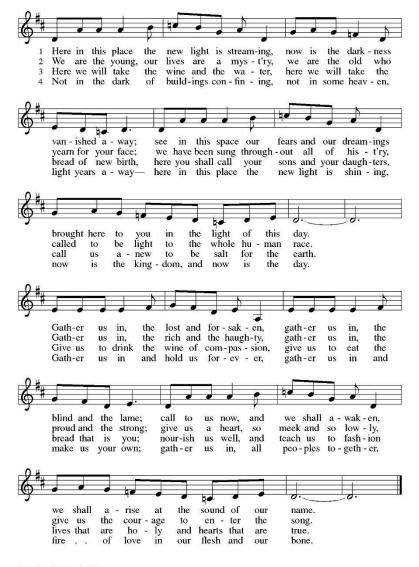
Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all you sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen. OR**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN No. 532 Gather Us In

Gather Us In



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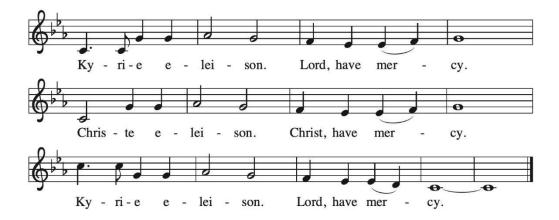
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GREETING

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

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HYMN OF PRAISE

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 81:1-10

The antiphon is introduced by the choir, then is sung by all. The assembly sings the verses in **bold** print.



Psalm 81:1

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Sing with joy to God our strength

and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.

²Raise a song and ¹ sound the timbrel,

the merry harp, and the lyre. R

Blow the ram's horn at the new moon,

and at the full moon, the day of our feast;

for this is a stat- ute for Israel,

a law of the God of Jacob.

 $^{\circ}\text{God}$ laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, going out over the $^{}_{|}$ land of Egypt,

where I heard a voice I did not know:

"I eased your shoulder I from the burden;

your hands were set free from the grave- digger's basket. R

You called on me in trouble, and I de- livered you;

I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the wa- ters of Meribah.

Hear, O my people, and I will ad- monish you:

O Israel, if you would but lis- ten to me!

There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not worship a foreign god.

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the I land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it. R

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁶We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁶persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ⁶always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ⁶For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ^aSo death is at work in us, but life in you.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 2:23-28, 3:1-6

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the Second Chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶One sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁶And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

^aAgain he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ^aThey watched him to see whether he would cure him on

the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Vicar Ian Clements

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY No. 521 O Day of Rest and Gladness

Ellacombe

O Day of Rest and Gladness



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.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Please kneel or sit for the prayers: This week's response is: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Guide your church to expressions of faith that bring rest and release. Teach your faithful people to be attentive to the spiritual, physical, and societal weariness of our neighbors, that we proclaim your grace through tangible acts of mercy and justice. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Keep us mindful of the rhythms of nature as the days lengthen and the seasons shift toward summer. Grant relief to areas facing flooding or drought and bring favorable weather for the flourishing of crops, gardens, and orchards. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Where there is affliction in our world, bring healing. Where world leaders are perplexed, bring clarity of vision. Give a spirit of discernment to political advisors, institutional researchers, economic analysts, and all

vocations that inform the work of governments and policymakers. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Provide wholeness and respite to all who are weary: those who struggle in any way and those who care for them especially for Pastor Sonja Ingebristen, and the members of Glenside UCC, the family and loved ones of David Huff (Angie Erat's father), and all those on our prayer list. Strengthen first responders and health care workers in their times of exhaustion or frustration. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**

Stir our hearts toward abundant generosity among neighbors who experience hunger and food insecurity. Bless feeding ministries and community food efforts, especially community gardens, farmers markets, food pantries. Open both our hearts and our tables. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We remember the communion of saints whose lives made visible the saving life of Jesus Christ, especially David Huff. Guide us by their example to embody the treasure of your love for the sake of our world, until we come to our final rest in you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.** All greet each other with Christ's gesture of peace saying "Peace be with you."

Please be seated

MEAL

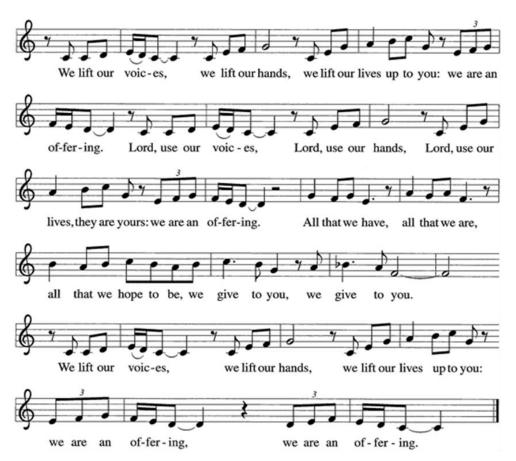
OFFERING Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord The Summer Choir

Thomas Keesecker

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OFFERTORY No. 692 We Are an Offering

Offering



THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us and what we have gathered in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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THE SANCTUS

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

THE 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.

Please be seated.

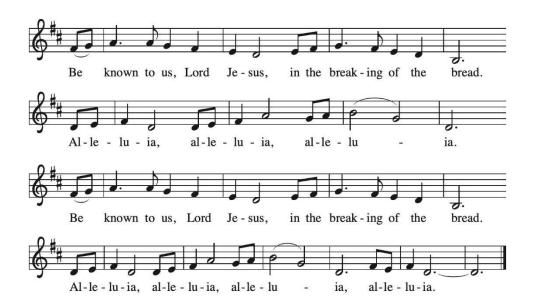
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THE COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good. **Thanks be to God.**

"Be Known to Us"

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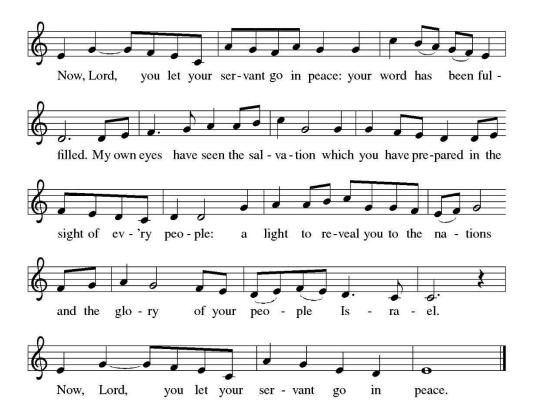
THE COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Now Lord, You Let Your Servant Go in Peace

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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SENDING _

THE BLESSING

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The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

THE SENDING HYMN

No. 389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Truro

All Glory Be to God on High



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Please be seated for the announcements.

PARISH NOTICES AND JOYS

Sending: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE Chorale Prelude on "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" (Truro) Aaron David Miller