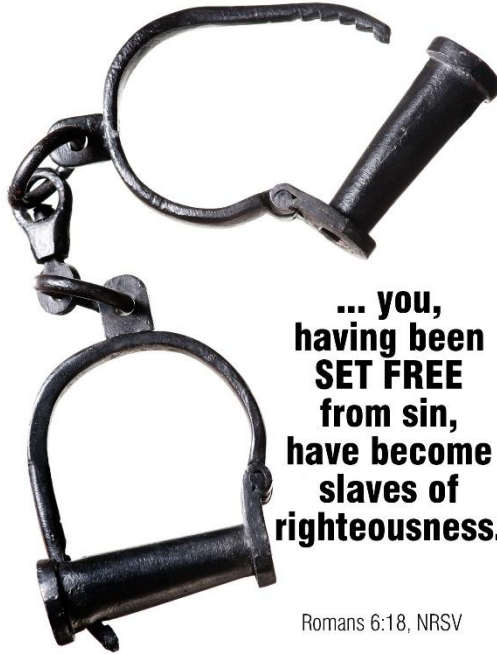


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Sixth Sunday After Trinity

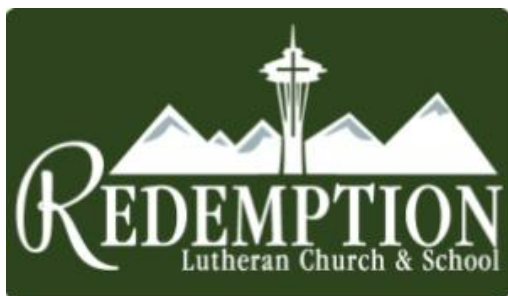


**... you,
having been
SET FREE
from sin,
have become
slaves of
righteousness.**

Romans 6:18, NRSV

WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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Pre-Service Meditation:

Matthew 5:20 ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer: Dear Lord God, You desire all mankind to pursue the righteous standard You have set in Your Law. I confess before You that my righteousness is not what it should be. I do the evil things I know I should not do and I fail to do what I know I should. For these and all other sins, forgive me dear Father. Yet, by Your grace, You have given me a perfect righteousness through Jesus my Savior. Give me Your Spirit to let this righteousness be my life. Teach me to follow after this holy righteousness. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God now and forever, world without end. Amen.

Service of the Word

Opening Hymn

TLH 371 Jesus Thy Blood vs1-4,6

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

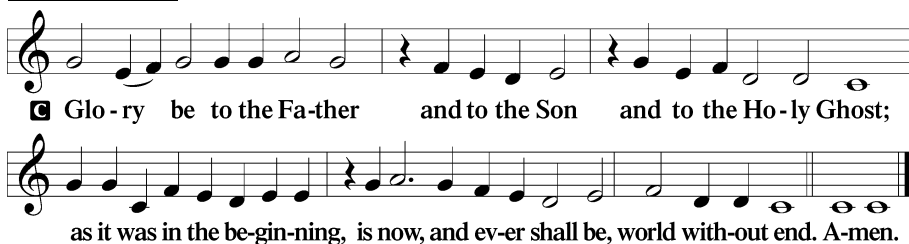
Introit:

Psalm 28

'Introit' is a Latin word meaning 'entrance' or 'coming in.' The Introit is a portion of a psalm which gives the theme for the particular Sunday and points the way for everything that will follow in the rest of the worship service.

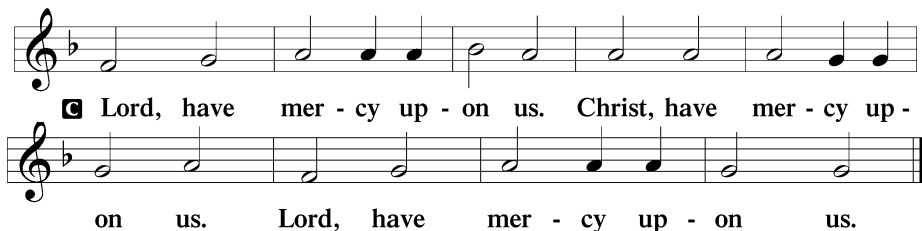
P The Lord is the Strength of His people: He is the saving Strength of His anointed. Save Your people and bless Your inheritance: feed them also and lift them up forever. Unto You will I cry, O Lord my Rock; be not silent to me: lest, if You be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

Gloria Patri



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Hymn of Response: TLH 237

All Glory be to God on high, Who hath mankind befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended.
God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again;
Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

P Let us pray. . . Lord of all power and might, Who is the Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same.

Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Old Testament Lesson:

Exodus 20:1-17

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying, ² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ "You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ "You shall not murder. ¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ "You shall not steal. ¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

- P** The Law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
- C** The Testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
- P** The Precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
- C** The Commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;
- P** The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;
- C** The rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.
- P** More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.
- C** Moreover, by them is Your servant warned; in keeping them
there is great reward.
- P** Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden
faults.
- C** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Epistle Lesson**Romans 6:1-11**

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he

lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Confession of Faith:

Apostles 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 is seated at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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: TLH 295 The Law of God is Good and Wise vs 1-3,6

Sermon

Matthew 5:20-26

²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

²¹ "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³ So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵ Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. ²⁶ Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

Is Your Righteousness the Best?

Offertory:

Create in Me ♪♪

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

Hymn

LSB 574 Before the Throne of God Above

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & 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

Benediction

- C** Amen.

Hymn

TLH 261 Lord Keep Us Steadfast In Thy Word

Silent Prayer

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574 Before the Throne of God Above

1 Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
 2 My name is grav - en on His hands, My name is
 3 When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, And tells me
 4 Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, My sin - ful

strong, a per - fect plea: A great High Priest, whose name is
 writ - ten on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He
 of the guilt with - in, Up - ward I look, and see Him
 soul is count - ed free; For God, the just, is sat - is -

Love, Who ev - er lives and pleads for me.
 stands No tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 there Who made an end of all my sin.
 fied To look on Him and par - don me.

5 Behold Him there! The risen Lamb!
 My perfect, spotless righteousness,
 The great unchangeable I AM,
 The King of glory and of grace!

6 At one with Him, I cannot die,
 My soul is purchased by His blood;
 My life is hid with Christ on high,
 With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- **Vacation Bible School:** VBS begins this Tuesday, please see the sheet on the table in the narthex if you'd like to donate items.

Call News:

- Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran Church in Appleton, WI ***is considering the call*** to St Stephen Lutheran Church in Mt. View, CA
- Pastor Tom Naumann of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Madison Heights, MI, ***has returned the call*** to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.
- Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck ***is considering the call*** to serve as vacancy pastor at Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church in Middleton, WI.

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, August 3rd Redemption Sunday Service at 9

Sunday, August 10th Redemption Communion Service at 9

Sunday, August 17th Redemption Sunday Service at 9