

# Joy Lutheran Church

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## Second Sunday after Pentecost

# Welcome to worship at Joy Lutheran Church

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, divorced, married, widowed, and all families in their variety of rich expressions.

We are glad you are here if you come every Sunday or if this is your first time at our church or any church at all. You're welcome if you know the Bible backwards and forwards, or have never really read it, if you know Jesus or are just curious to hear what He is all about.

We welcome you if you have doubts about "organized religion" or are a "cradle Christian." We welcome liberals, conservatives, moderates, and undecided. If you cheer for the right team, or don't like sports, you are welcome here.

We especially welcome those who could use a prayer right now, or an assurance that God loves them, those who are struggling, and those who are doing okay.

Whoever you are, whatever your past or present – God welcomes you and so do we!

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Children are always welcome here. We are used to the joyful sounds of our youngest sisters and brothers. We do have some activity bags near the main entrance, to keep restless hands busy.

Offering: Our offering plates are set at the entrance doors of the sanctuary. Thank you for giving of your resources to sustain the ministries here at Joy Lutheran Church.

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A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

## Welcome & Announcements

**Scooter Bentson, Council Secretary**

## Apostolic Greeting

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

**C: And also with you.**

## Call to worship on Trinity Sunday

L: Called to be faithful stewards of creation, we come to worship:

**C: To sing to the One**

**who has created all that is good, beautiful and true,  
and who has shared everything with us.**

L: Called to be disciples of Jesus Christ, we come to learn:

**C: To follow the One**

**who meets us in every moment of our lives,  
in every place we find ourselves.**

L: Called to proclaim the Good News , we come to find the words:

**C: To be taught by the Spirit,**

**who moves in and through us  
as we serve the world.**

## Kyrie

Music score for Kyrie. The Cantor staff begins with a series of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics "In peace, in peace, to you, oh Lord, we pray." are written below the staff. The Congregation staff consists of three horizontal lines. The third staff begins with a single note, followed by a long horizontal line, and then the lyrics "have mer - cy." are written below it.

Cantor: For broken lives and broken hearts we pray

**Cong:** Lord have mercy.

Cantor: For the unity of your church everywhere we pray

**Cong:** Lord have mercy.

Cantor: That we might know the forgiveness you promise we pray

**Cong:** Lord have mercy.

Cantor: For your parting gift of peace, oh Lord we pray

**Cong:** A---men.

## Hymn of Praise

Music score for Hymn of Praise. The score includes a Refrain section and several stanzas of lyrics. The Refrain starts with a melodic line and the lyrics "Refrain: Glory to God in the high - est and peace, peace to God's people. Glory to God in the high - est and peace, peace on earth." The score then transitions to a section with two stanzas of lyrics: "1. Let ev'-ry moun-tain shout the glo - ry of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Praise to the Fath - er, we sing praise un-to the Son. \_\_\_\_\_". The score concludes with a final section of lyrics: "All creatures lift their hearts and praise God's ho - ly name. (to Refrain) Praise to the Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing, pre-sent One. (to Refrain)".

## Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray. All-powerful God,

C: **in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## First Reading

### ***Genesis 3:8-15***

*Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.*

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

## Psalm

### *Psalm 130*

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths

    I cry to you, O Lord;

<sup>2</sup>**O Lord, hear my voice!**

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.**

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins,

    O Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>**Yet with you is forgiveness,**  
    **in order that you may be feared.**

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits;

    in your word is my hope.

**<sup>6</sup>My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,**  
**more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love;

    with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.

**<sup>8</sup>For the Lord shall redeem Israel from all their sins.**

## Second Reading

### *2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1*

*Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.*

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

## Gospel Acclamation (*Cantor first time, congregation repeats twice*)



## Gospel Reading

### ***Mark 3:20-35***

*In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.*

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” <sup>33</sup>And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

## Children's Message

### Sermon

**Kelly Mullin**

1 I'm so glad  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me.  
3 When I was in trou - ble, I'm so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, When I was in trou - ble,  
Je-sus lift-ed me. I'm so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, Je-sus lift-ed me,  
When I was in trou - ble,  
Je-sus lift-ed me.  
sing-ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Prayers of the Church (*brief silence, then various petitions, response said after each petition*)

P: Lord in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayers.**

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.**

## Passing of the Peace

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

*(please exchange Christ's peace with a smile, nod, wave, or other non-contact sign)*

## Benediction

### Sending Hymn

### ***Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness***

**ELW 843**



1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;  
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;  
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight.  
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc-ing, two-edged sword.  
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,  
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn-ing sand;  
Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see-ing what our God has done.



calm-ing storms and feed - ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Worship Assistants for Today					
Pianists:	Readers:	Preacher:	Lay Assistant:	Acolyte:	Counters:
Kathy Huntington	Ruth O. & Emily M.	Kelly Mullin	Mona Mitton	AbieLiz L.	Heather Slocum & Sue Weimer
Preview Of Upcoming Week					
Sunday, June 6	9:30 AM	Worship			
Monday, June 7	6:30 PM	Narcotics Anonymous			
Tuesday, June 8	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous Church Council Meeting			
Wednesday, June 9	6:30 PM	Narcotics Anonymous			
Thursday, June 10	6:30 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous			
Friday, June 11	3:00 PM -- 6:30 PM	Joy of Reading Book Club - Anniversary Meeting (*see announcement) Narcotics Anonymous			
Saturday, June 12					
<b><i>The Following Week:</i></b>					
Sunday, June 13	9:30 AM	Worship			

## Regular Church Office Hours

Closed Mondays

Tues. - Wed. 10:00am - 5:00pm

Thursday 10:00am - 4:00pm

Closed Fridays

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS	
Sue Weimer, Pres.	Tom Bird, Vice Pres.
Scooter Bentson, Sec.	Debby Bird
Corrine Finnie	Kelly Mullin
Rachel Christman	Heather Slocum
Kristi Swain	Charlotte Kotlarchuk
Pastor Karen Sonray	Clarke Hemphill, Treasurer

The next Church Council Meeting will be Tuesday, June 8 at 7:00pm.