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Third Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome to worship at Joy Lutheran Church

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, divorced, married, widowed, or if your relationship status is “complicated.”

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!

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. Due to COVID-19 we discourage use of our Family Room right now.



Flowers are given
by Judy & Wayne Rush
in celebration of the anniversary



Introduction

God does not promise that the path of the disciple will be easy. Jeremiah feels the pain of rejection from those who do not want to hear what he has to say. Jesus declares that his words may bring stark division. Even so, we need not be afraid for God accounts for each hair on our heads. Though we may experience rejection, frustration, division, and death, God's grace and love make us a new creation each day. Marked with the cross and filled with holy food, we are sent from worship to witness to Christ in the world..

Welcome/Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all,
C: and also with you.

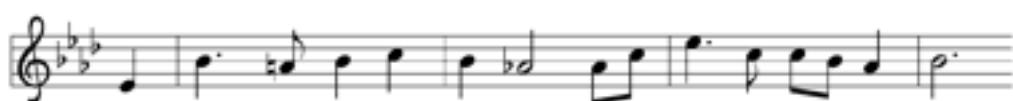
Hymn

I Love to Tell the Story

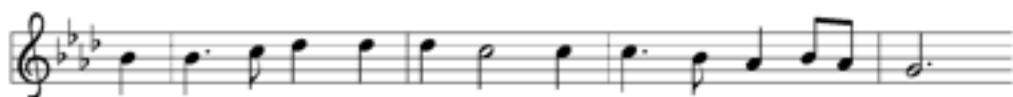
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1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry; how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song.



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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

C: Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Reconciling God,

**C: 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 live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

L: 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.

C: Amen.

Reading

Romans 6:1-11

The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.

^{1b}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.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:24-39

Jesus warns his disciples that their ministry in his name will meet with opposition. However, he assures them that they need not fear for the truth will come to light. Life is found in Christ.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] 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.”

Children's Time

Message

Pr. Karen Sonray

Special Music

This Little Light of Mine

Charlotte Kotlarchuk

Kristi Swain & Steve Kotlarchuk

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 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.

Benediction

Happy
Father's
Day!

Hymn*Take My Life that I May Be*

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Refrain/Estríbillo

To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,

da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

To stanza *Last time*

y tu tro - no, en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

1 Que mi vi - da, en - te - ra, es - té
1 Take my hands and let them move
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
3 Take my voice and let me sing
4 Take my will and make it thine;

con - sa - gra - da, a ti, Se - ñor;
at the im - pulse of thy love;
not a mite would I with - hold;
al - ways, on - ly for my King;
it shall be no lon - ger mine;

que, a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
take my feet and let them be swift and
take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
take my lips and let them be filled with
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

Refrain/Estríbillo

Dismissal**Vacation Bible School**

We are seeking to put together an online VBS in July using pre-recorded stations of music, craft/science, stories, etc. Our theme will be "Splashing in God's Love."

Are you interested in planning and helping? Contact Pastor Karen, Kelly Mullin or the office. We will have a Zoom meeting about VBS soon.

LIST OF MITIGATION RULES FOR IN PERSON WORSHIP

1. Use Hand Sanitizer as you enter into and leave the building.
2. Wear your face mask. We will have extras at the Church if you do not have one with you. Pastor will be more than 10 feet away and remove her mask while presiding.
3. Certain rows of chairs in the sanctuary are blocked off so we are separated by 6 ft. We ask you leave 3 empty chairs (i.e. 6 ft.) between you and anyone not in your household if you are sitting in the same row.
4. We are limiting our capacity to 50 people in attendance.
5. We are not using hymnals. Songs will be printed in Bulletins. Bulletins can be found on chairs and will be placed there 48-hours beforehand.
6. We will be initiating communion, practicing good protocol limited to wafers and no cup. This will be held monthly at first.
7. We will HUM rather than SING initially. Studies show that singing projects more air than coughing.
8. We will limit Service to approximately 30 minutes, since the longer people share the same air space the odds of spreading germs increase.
9. We will not have any contact during the passing of the peace but will stay at 6 ft. distances- sharing a peace sign, wave, hand over heart, or clasped hands and bow.
10. Offering Plates are placed in stationary positions to avoid the passing of the plate. Thank you for giving your offerings there.
11. We ask you to FILL OUT THE SHEET OF PAPER inside your bulletin and place it in the Offering Plate. This allows us to keep track of attendance. In case someone ends up ill, we want to let those who were in attendance know.
12. As you are dismissed, we will exit in a staggered rhythm to decrease proximity to one another.
13. If you must use a bathroom, please clean all touchable surfaces before and after usage. Spray disinfectant and paper towels are available in each bathroom.
14. Please do not linger too long in the Sanctuary. If you would like to visit, we suggest you do so outdoors while maintaining 6 ft. distances.
15. All coffee and food is suspended at this time.

Thank you for today's music:

Nancy Wojnowski, Charlotte Kotlarchuk, Kristi Swain & Steve Kotlarchuk,
and Jim & Nancy Hemsath