

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—PROPER 7  
A Heavenly Father's Love  
June 21, 2020

**AS WE GATHER**

As we remember our fathers today we are reminded of the love of our Heavenly Father for each of us. He is our refuge and fortress who protects us from all harm and who raises us up as on eagle's wings when we stumble and fall.

**PRELUDE**

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past* - Paul Manz

**BELLS**

**WELCOME**

*Stand*

**OPENING HYMN**

**733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past**    **Sts. 1, 3, 5 & 6**



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,  
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Soon bears us all a - way;  
6 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:  
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
We fly for - got - ten as a dream Dies at the o - p'ning day.  
Be Thou our guard while trou - bles last And our e - ter - nal home!

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**INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

✠ **WORD** ✠

**SALUTATION**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

Loving God, since You have called us by the light of Your truth to let that light shine through us to the world, give us the boldness, love, and strength to be Your faithful witnesses, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:**       **Amen.**

**EPISTLE**

Romans 6:12–23

(Slaves to righteousness)

<sup>12</sup> Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. <sup>13</sup> Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup> What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup> and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup> I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup> For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Lector:**       This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:**       **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

(Do not be afraid.)

**Pastor:**       The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

**People:**       **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

<sup>21</sup> Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup> It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup> What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup> And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a

penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

## 727 On Eagles' Wings

*Congregation sings the Refrain after each stanza by the soloist.*



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, Who a -  
 2 snare of the fowl - er will nev - er cap-ture you, And  
 3 You need not fear the ter - ror of the night, Nor the  
 4 For to His an - gels He's giv - en a com-mand To



bide in His shad - ow for life,  
 fam - ine will bring you no fear;  
 ar - row that flies by day; Though  
 guard you in all of your ways; Up -



Say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, My  
 Un - der His wings your ref - uge, His  
 thou - sands fall a - bout you, His  
 on their hands they will bear you up, Lest you



rock in whom I trust!"  
 faith - ful - ness your shield.  
 Near you it shall not come.  
 dash your foot a - gainst a stone.



*Refrain*  
 And He will raise you up on ea - gles' wings,



Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the



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## PSALM

Psalm 91:1–10 (11–16)

- <sup>1</sup> He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- <sup>2</sup> I will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust.”
- <sup>3</sup> For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler  
and from the deadly pestilence.
- <sup>4</sup> He will cover you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
His faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- <sup>5</sup> You will not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,
- <sup>6</sup> nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness,  
nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- <sup>7</sup> A thousand may fall at your side,  
ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it will not come near you.
- <sup>8</sup> You will only look with your eyes  
and see the recompense of the wicked.
- <sup>9</sup> Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—  
the Most High, who is my refuge —
- <sup>10</sup> no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

no plague come near your tent.

<sup>11</sup> For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways.

<sup>12</sup> On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.

<sup>13</sup> You will tread on the lion and the wader;  
the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

<sup>14</sup> "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him;  
I will protect him, because he knows my name.

<sup>15</sup> When he calls to me, I will answer him;  
I will be with him in trouble;  
I will rescue him and honor him.

<sup>16</sup> With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation."

## **SERMON**

## **Our Refuge and Strength**

*Stand*

## **CREED**      *Nicene Creed*

**C I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people  
according to their needs.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For the Church throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel  
and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all fathers that they may know the love God has for them, let us pray to the  
Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all people, that we be preserved from discord and strife, that God grant us  
protection in every time of need, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and  
orphaned, for the sick and dying, and for those who care for them, let us pray to  
the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

*Stand*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: We come before the Lord this day to be strengthened in faith and to be witnesses of righteousness and truth to those around us. Let us first confess our own sinfulness, that we receive mercy, grace, and forgiveness from God.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to 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.

People: **Amen.**

### ☩ SACRAMENT ☩

#### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is good and right, O Lord, to offer You thanks and praise for having granted to us all things in Christ Jesus, our Savior, whose Baptism for us fulfilled all righteousness and whose perfect obedience before the lies of the tempter has given us strength, that we may endure in His strength and answer Satan's taunts with the truth of Your Word, our strength and shield. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

*Sing*

**SANCTUS**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

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#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should

not

perish but have eternal life. In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised

salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

**People:**       **Amen.**

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**Pastor:**       Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

**Pastor:**       As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People:**       **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Pastor:**       O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**People:**       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.

### **PAX DOMINI**



Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
People: Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

“Lamb of God”

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## DISTRIBUTION

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have breathed Your Spirit into us through Your Word and have given us forgiveness and new life through the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. As you have given us a foretaste of the feast to come, grant that His victory over death strengthen us in faith and trust, giving hope and assurance of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

## BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

## DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

## HYMN

## 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is  
thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -  
ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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## POSTLUDE

*Old Hundredth* - Paul Manz