

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”  
Matthew 9:36-38



## *Third Sunday after Pentecost*

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Setting Ten

**Moses tells the Israelites that they are called to be a priestly kingdom and a holy people. Jesus sends out the disciples as laborers into the harvest. In baptism we too are anointed for ministry, sharing God's compassion with our needy world. From the Lord's table we go forth to proclaim the good news, to heal the sick, and to share our bread with the hungry.**

# Jays & Concerns

## Prelude

### Confession and Forgiveness

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C. Amen

P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Merciful God,

C. **we confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered your blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P. Righteous God,

C. **we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P. God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

C. Amen

## Gathering Hymn

*Rise Up, O Saints of God!*

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## The Greeting

P. The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.  
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.  
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:  
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;  
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.  
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.  
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.  
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

## Prayer of the Day

A. Let us pray

C. **God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## First Reading

### Exodus 19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

L. Word of God, word of life.

C. **Thanks be to God.**



Psalmody

**Psalm 100**  
(ELW tone 1)  
chanted responsively



Make a joyful noise to the LORD, <sup>1</sup> all you lands!

Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence <sup>1</sup> with a song.

**Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom <sup>1</sup> we belong;  
we are God's people and the sheep <sup>1</sup> of God's pasture.**

Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the <sup>1</sup> courts with praise;  
give thanks and bless God's <sup>1</sup> holy name.

**Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is <sup>1</sup> everlasting,  
whose faithfulness endures from <sup>1</sup> age to age.**

Second Reading

**Romans 5:1-8**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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## Gospel Acclamation

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Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P. The holy gospel according to Matthew, chapter nine.

### Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

**C. Glory to you, O Lord.**

P. The gospel of the Lord.

**C. Praise to you O Christ.**

Sermon

John Petry, Interim Pastor

Hymn of the Day

*In Christ Called to Baptize*

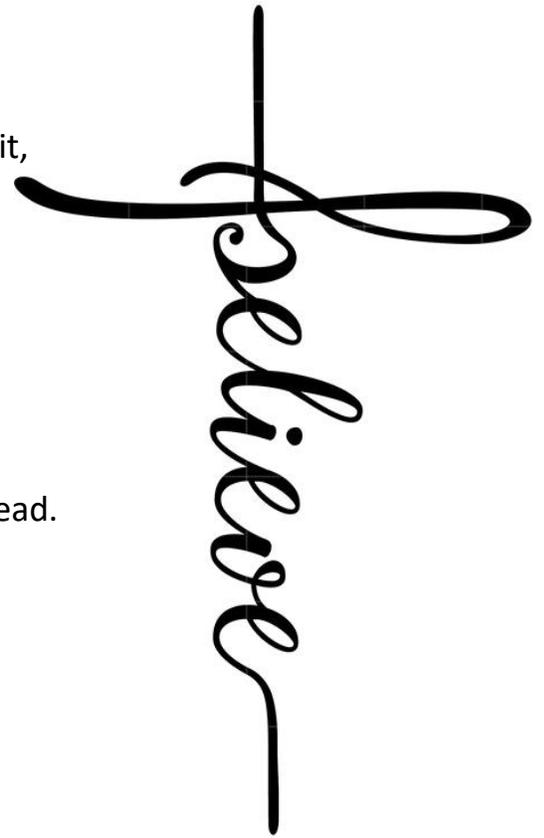
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# The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the Virgin Mary,  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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



## Prayers of Intercession

**A.** Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

*A brief silence*

For the church here and around the world, we pray. Seek out disciples and send them out with authority to proclaim good news, bring healing where there is pain, and counter the forces of evil. God, in your mercy,

**C. hear our prayer.**

**P.** Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.

**C. Amen**

## The Peace

**P.** Jesus said: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled. May His peace be with you always.

**C. And also with you.**

## The Offering

**Anthem**

*Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100)*

~Dale Wood

Choir

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

## Offertory Prayer

A. God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. **Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

P. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. **We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P. It is indeed right . . .

## The Sanctus

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

ELW 190

## Eucharistic 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

## Invitation to Communion

P. All people are called to Christ's table. Come, eat what is good.

C. **Amen.**

## Lamb of God



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## Communion Hymns

<i>We Come to the Hungry Feast</i>	ELW 479
<i>Father, We Thank You</i>	ELW 478
<i>I Received the Living God</i>	ELW 477

## Post Communion Prayer

- A. We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C. Amen.

## Post Communion Canticle

*Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

ELW 578

1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, de - scend  
2 To you, the Com - fort - er, we cry; to you,

up - on us from a - bove; with grac - es man - i -  
 the gift of God most high, true fount of life, the

fold re - store your crea - tures as they were be - fore.  
 fire of love, the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.

**Blessing**

**P.** The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed † bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

**C.** Amen.

**Sending Hymn**

*Let Streams of Living Justice*

ELW 710

**Dismissal**

**P.** Go in peace. Share the harvest.

**C.** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**



**Servers for Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

Assisting Minister..... Sharyl Eggert  
Reader ..... Shannon Thomsen  
Altar Guild ..... Sarah Watkins  
Greeters/Counters ..... Linda Hash / Steve Brantley

Serving   
from the  
Heart



Sign-up sheets for the various worship assistant slots are on the board in the hallway. Please consider spending time giving glory to God by filling one of these positions on a Sunday.

Honor a loved one by making a donation for the candles in the sanctuary for the month or the flowers that beautify the church each Sunday.

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**Flowers** this week are provided by Tess Andrews in celebration and hope for 3 MD's beginning their next phase of training.

**Candles** this month are provided by Julie Bogle to the Glory of God!!



