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Second Sunday after Pentecost † June 11, 2023

P - Pastor ♦ C - Congregation ♦ A - Assisting Minister

LBW-Lutheran Book of Worship-Green ♦ **WOV**-With One Voice-Blue

ELW-Evangelical Lutheran Worship-Red

*** Please stand as you are able**

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

PRELUDE *Rêverie* by Claude Debussy -Vanessa Kwiatkowski

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.

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.

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 ELW # 556 - Red *Morning Has Broken*

GREETING

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

C And also with you.

KYRIE

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST READING: Hosea 5:15--6:6

¹⁵I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.

In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1}"Come, let us return to the Lord, for having torn, the Lord will heal us; having struck us down, the Lord will bind us up.

²After two days the Lord will revive us; on the third day will raise us up, that we may live before the Lord. ³Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; whose appearing is as sure as the dawn; the Lord will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." ⁴What

shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50:7-15

⁷"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am ¹ God, your God.

⁸**I do not accuse you because ¹ of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹I will not accept a calf ¹ from your stalls, nor goats ¹ from your pens;

¹⁰**for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a ¹ thousand hills.**

¹¹I know every bird ¹ of the mountains,
 and the creatures of the ¹ fields are mine.
¹²**If I were hungry, I ¹ would not tell you,
 for the whole world is mine and all ¹ that is in it.**
¹³Do you think I eat the ¹ flesh of bulls,
 or drink the ¹ blood of goats?
¹⁴**Offer to God a sacrifice ¹ of thanksgiving
 and make good your vows to ¹ the Most High.**
¹⁵Call upon me in the ¹ day of trouble;
 I will deliver you, and you shall ¹ honor me.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

¹³The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression. ¹⁶For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all Abraham's descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom Abraham believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, Abraham believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So

shall your descendants be." ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made Abraham waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what God had promised. ²²Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in the one who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

- A The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.**

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  *(please stand as you are able)*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

*** GOSPEL: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax collection station, and Jesus said to him, "Follow me." And Matthew got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as Jesus sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why

does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While Jesus was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My

daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.”¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples.²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak,²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.”²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.”

And the woman was made well from that moment.²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion,²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him.²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up.²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW # 588 - Red *There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

* **APOSTLES' CREED** *(please stand as you are able)*

C 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 *(you may be seated)*

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

A brief silence.

A We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray, O God, for the nations. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one’s death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain especially those on our hearts and minds. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints. Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. 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.

* **LORD'S PRAYER** *(please stand as you are able)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN ELW # 858 - Red *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

POSTLUDE

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Altar Flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Plummer boys in loving memory of Grandma Deb Graver.

This week please hold in prayer: Mary Lou Zwiebel, Paul Long, Ed & Betty Panning, Garrick Walker, Ronald Hoops brother of Mary Lou Streicher, Lee Weirauch, Bob Lulfs, Nancy & Ken Lange, Terry Lacy, Matt Von Seggern, for all those on our hearts and minds, and for peace in our nation and the whole world.

Thursday Bible Study: Please join us weekly on Thursday at 9:30am in the adult Sunday school room.

Summer Coffee Hour

Hosting coffee hour next week will be the Bell Choir. Please plan to stay after worship as we gather for some refreshments and fellowship downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Hosts for June 25: Choir (Alto, Soprano).

Year of Gratitude: This week we give thanks for Council secretary and treasurer. The secretary insures that minutes are available for all of the council meetings. This is quite a task when meetings sometimes move quicker than anyone can write. We are so grateful for Julie, our treasurer, who is consistent and thorough in all she does to keep track of Emanuel's finances. The secretary is a two year position but treasurer is an appointed position. We are so thankful for these awesome folks and the ways they serve God in and through Emanuel!

Caring Corner for June - We would like to highlight the various food pantries in Henry County. As many of us know, children will be home from school. Food budgets are tight. It can be very difficult for some families to keep their children fed. Please consider donating food items that will help alleviate these difficulties. We suggest easy shelf-stable items such as:

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| Peanut Butter | Jelly | Pudding/Jell-o Cups | Pasta |
| Macaroni & Cheese | Soup | Spaghetti Sauce | Granola Bars |
| Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, etc.) | | Canned Fruit and Vegetables | |

The Napoleon Community Band will present their Spring Concert on the Green on Sunday, June 11 at 4pm on the front lawn of the Cultural Center of Henry County (formerly Napoleon Middle School). A rain day has been set for Thursday, June 15, at 7pm. Bring your lawn chairs and listen to some American concert band favorites played live for you by the Napoleon Community Band as they enter their 38th year.

This Week

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| Sunday, June 11 | 1pm | Service Learning Camp Youth Meeting |
| | 6-8pm | Vacation Bible School |
| Monday, June 12 | 6-8pm | Vacation Bible School |
| Tuesday, June 13 | 6-8pm | Vacation Bible School |
| Wednesday, June 14 | 1:30-3pm | Open Office Hours at Pocket Park or Coffee Shop |
| | 6-7pm | Pictures at Ritter Park Shelter House |
| | 6-8pm | Vacation Bible School |
| Thursday, June 15 | 9:30am | Bible Study |
| | 6-7pm | Pictures at the Church |
| | NO | Thursday Worship |
| | 6-8pm | Vacation Bible School |
| Sunday, June 18 | 9am | Worship in person or online |

Pictorial Directory Information

Pictorial Pictures are going well. Ann has taken pictures of approximately 50 individuals or families. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to capture your family together because we know how hard that can be sometimes and time flies! Next opportunities for pictures will be **Wednesday June 14 at Ritter Park from 6-7pm** or **Thursday June 15 at the church from 6-7pm**. The pictures can be casual or dressy or anywhere in between. You can even bring pets or props if you want. We will not be offering many more opportunities for pictures so please take advantage of the times offered or reach out to Ann to schedule directly with her. If you have any address, email or phone number changes since the last church directory (June 2021) please take the time to complete an "update form" on the table outside the church office and slip it into the pass through door.

Just a Reminder: June 24th through 30th the **ENTIRE BASEMENT** will be **CLOSED** for waxing of floors in the fellowship hall, entryway and bathrooms. If you need access or have questions please contact Terri Sedam 419-591-6142. Thank you!