



Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church – ELCA

"Encouraging faith and proclaiming God's love by Gathering, Growing and Giving."

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Service of the Word

June 11th, 2023

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*NOTE: **Bold text** indicates worshippers' response, and '*' means please stand as able.*

PRELUDE

Michelle Young

WELCOME & MINISTRY MESSAGES

GATHERING

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* GREETING The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **All: And also with you.**

*DIALOG

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe, **for in your wisdom you have formed us.**
You feed the hungry and clothe the naked. **We thank you and long to be generous like you.**
You set free those who are bound. **We bless you and praise your name forever.**
You raise up those whose courage falters. **We are thankful for the strength you give us.**
You provide for our every need. **Accept our grateful praise.**
You have called us your people, **for which we are forever grateful.**

#564 HYMN OF PRAISE *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;

praise him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

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* P: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY 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. Amen.**

GROWING

In the 4th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans, he presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

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. ¹⁴If 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 violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he 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 he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous 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), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him 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 he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith "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 him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life. Hear now the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Matthew the 9th chapter **Glory to you, O Lord***

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him 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 come to call not the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸While he 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." ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. ²³When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at

him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread throughout that district. The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you O Christ.**

MESSAGE

Pastor Mary Eide

HYMN OF THE DAY *We Walk by Faith*



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

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***THE APOSTLES' CREED (*professed together*)**

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**

*Or, He descended to the dead. ** universal

The OFFERING PLATE is located at the entrance of the church sanctuary.

*** OFFERING PRAYER** 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. Amen.**

*** PRAYERS AND PETITIONS (L: God, in your mercy, All: hear our prayer.)¹**

* LORD'S 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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

* ANNOUNCEMENTS/BLESSING 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. **Amen.**

* 480 SENDING HYMN *Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways*



1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
 2 Or - der my foot-steps by your word and make my heart sin - cere;
 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep;
 4 Make me to walk in your com-ands, 'tis a de-light - ful road;



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!
 let sin have no do - min - ion, Lord, but keep my con - science clear.
 and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan - d'ring sheep.
 nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
 Music: EVAN, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

* DISMISSAL Go in peace. Share the harvest. **Thanks be to God.**

* BELLS/POSTLUDE

Michelle Young



THIS WEEK AT CHURCH AND BEYOND OUR DOORS

TODAY	10am	- 2nd Sunday after Pentecost worship
MONDAY	7pm	- AA Meeting
TUESDAY	4-6pm	- Food Pantry
WEDNESDAY	5pm	- Finance Committee (Yes, this is the <i>actual date</i> for the meeting 😊)
FRIDAY:	10am-Noon	- Food Pantry
SUNDAY:	10am	- 3rd Sunday after Pentecost COMMUNION worship

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

KAYAK/CANOE OUTING Sun., July 9th after church, location TBD. Contact Holly Sweeny 715-456-6960 or Barb Vadnais 715-308-0252. Additional kayaks available. Sign up at church too!

VBS...SPORTS CAMP Don't forget to put these dates (7/30 to 8/3) on your calendar too...and have the kids invite a friend or 2!! Contact Jaime (715-821-0796) or Holly (715-456-6960).

VBS @ IRON CREEK METHODIST 6/19-6/21 9am-3pm E7285 N Cty. Road E. Register 715-879-5536

ICE CREAM SOCIAL SEASON has begun: Trinity United Methodist Church 105 S. Holly Ave. Wed. 6/28/23 4:30-7:30pm (Free will offering) BBQ, Hot dogs/Coney dogs, potato salad, chips, pie, ice cream, beverages. *Carry Out Available.*

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Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,



who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
 the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,



who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;



with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ever more.

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