

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2020, - 5:00 P.M.
“A BLENDED SERVICE”

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

OPENING SONG

“Forgiven”

I'm the one who held the nail;
It was cold between my fingertips.
I've hidden in the garden.
I've denied You with my very lips.
God, I fall down to my knees with a hammer in my hand:
You look at me, arms open

Forgiven! Forgiven!
Child, there is freedom from all of it.
Say goodbye to ev'ry sin;
You are forgiven!

I've done things I wish I hadn't done.
I've seen things I wish I hadn't seen.
Just the thought of Your amazing grace
And I cry, “Jesus, forgive me!”
God, I fall down to my knees with a hammer in my hand:
You look at me, arms open.

Forgiven! Forgiven!
Child, there is freedom from all of it.
Say goodbye to ev'ry sin;
You are forgiven!

I could've been six feet under.
I could've been lost forever.
Yeah, I should be in that fire,
But now there's fire inside of me.
Here I am, a dead man walking;
No grave gonna hold God's people!
All the weight of all our evil
Lifted away, forever free!
Who could believe, who could believe?

Forgiven! Forgiven!
You love me even when I don't deserve it.
Forgiven! I'm forgiven!
Jesus, Your blood makes me innocent!
So I will say goodbye to ev'ry sin;
I am forgiven!
I am forgiven!

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CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for self-examination.

- P** Let us confess our sins to God, confident of His grace and forgiveness to all who are penitent.
- C** **I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and

ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I announce the grace of God to all of you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

☐ Amen.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

FIRST READING

Genesis 50:15-21

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, 'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

SECOND READING

Romans 14:5-12

One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.”

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

SONG OF THE DAY

*“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”
LSB 843 (Tune LSB 437)*

- 1 “Forgive our sins as we forgive,”
You taught us, Lord, to pray;
But You alone can grant us grace
To live the words we say.

- 2 How can Your pardon reach and bless
The unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let
Old bitterness depart?
- 3 In blazing light Your cross reveals
The truth we dimly knew:
What trivial debts are owed to us,
How great our debt to You!
- 4 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
And bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love,
Our lives will spread Your peace.

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MESSAGE

Vengeance Is Mine [sic]

APOSTLES' CREED

- ☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living and
the dead.**

- I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.

+SACRAMENT+

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

- P** 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."

PAX DOMINI

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C And also with you.

AGNUS DEI (sung)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world
Grant us peace
Grant us peace

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BENEDICTION

- P** 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.
- C** **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

“Glorious Day”

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises,
One day when sin was as black as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin,
Dwelt among men, my example is He.
The Word became flesh and the light shined among us.
His glory revealed.

Living, He loved me.
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely, forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day. O glorious day.

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain.
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected,
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He.
The hands that healed nations stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me.

Living, He loved me.
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely, forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day. O glorious day.

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,
One day the stone rolled away from the door.
Then He arose over death He had conquered.
Now is ascended my Lord evermore.
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him
From rising again.

Living, He loved me.
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely, forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day. O glorious day, glorious day.

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,
One day the skies with His glories will shine.
Wonderful day, my Beloved One, bringing,
My Savior, Jesus, is mine.

Living, He loved me.
Dying, He saved me.
Buried, He carried my sins far away.
Rising, He justified freely, forever.
One day He's coming,
O glorious day. O glorious day.
Glorious day, O glorious day.

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SERVING THE LORD IN OUR WORSHIP SERVICES:

ELDERS: *Ryan Hull, Tom Weber*

MUSICIANS/VOCALISTS: *Saturday Praise Team: (Director – Julie Sawusch); Vocalists: Mary Fleck; Piano: Julie Sawusch; Acoustic Guitar: Tom Vitacco; Bass Guitar: Ron Hilger*

PROJECTION & SOUNDBOARD: *Chris Errera*

SPEAKER: *Reverend Jerry D. Hays*

To be baptized into the saving grace of God at 11:00 is *Allison Jae Belille*, born on January 4, 2020, to AJ and Renee Belille, whose sponsors are Joelle Dalke and Tandren Dawson. Also to be baptized into the saving grace of God in a private ceremony is *Mason Edward Sharp*, born on January 27, 2020, to Jonathon and Amanda Sharp, whose sponsors are Jenna Sarallo, Alexa Sarallo and Angelo Lemes. May God bless these children of His!