

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022 – 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

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will always say
Lord blessed be Your name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will always say
Lord blessed be Your name

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

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OPENING SENTENCES

P Arise, O LORD!

C **Save me, O my God!**

P O LORD, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

C **many are saying of my soul, there is no salvation for him in God.**

P Arise, O LORD!

C **Save me, O my God!**

P But You, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

C **I cried aloud to the LORD, and He answered me from His holy hill.**

P Arise, O LORD!

C **Save me, O my God!**

P I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

C **I will not be afraid of many thousands of people who have set themselves against me all around.**

P Salvation belongs to the LORD; Your blessing be on Your people! Arise, O LORD!

C **Save me, O my God!**

P Return to your home,

C **and declare how much God has done for you.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P We come before our Lord in confession, no longer as slaves, but as God's own children and as heirs of all He graciously gives.

C **We confess we often remain captive and enslaved to our sin and have neglected the name You have given us as Your children.**

- P** Like those in Isaiah’s day, we are a rebellious people who walk in a way that is neither good nor faithful, following our own devices and desires.
- C** **We, on our own, have no right to be called Your heirs or to receive Your blessings.**
- P** For the many times we forget Christ’s power and victory and all we ever need fear in this body and life,
- C** **forgive us, renew us, and lead us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P** In spite of our sin, the Lord gives His grace and good news of hope, promise, and victory. To the people in Isaiah’s day and to us, He speaks: “‘Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,’ so I will do for My servants’ sake. . . . I will bring forth offspring from Jacob, and from Judah possessors of My mountains; My chosen shall possess it, and My servants shall dwell there.”

Through the mercy and sacrifice of our Lord Jesus, and in spite of our sinful nature and willful breaking of His Law given out of love, He calls us His children and His heirs to set us free and to live in the victory He has won for us. Through Christ alone we have gained access to His grace by which we now stand. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore 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.

C **Amen.**

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

SALUTATION

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 65:1–9

I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;

I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here am I, here am I,"

to a nation that was not called by my name.

I spread out my hands all the day

to a rebellious people,

who walk in a way that is not good,

following their own devices;

a people who provoke me

to my face continually,

sacrificing in gardens

and making offerings on bricks;

who sit in tombs,

and spend the night in secret places;

who eat pig's flesh,

and broth of tainted meat is in their vessels;

who say, "Keep to yourself,

do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,

a fire that burns all the day.

Behold, it is written before me:

"I will not keep silent, but I will repay;

I will indeed repay into their bosom

both your iniquities and your fathers' iniquities together,

says the LORD;
because they made offerings on the mountains
and insulted me on the hills,
I will measure into their bosom
payment for their former deeds.”

Thus says the LORD:
“As the new wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, ‘Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it,’
so I will do for my servants’ sake,
and not destroy them all.
I will bring forth offspring from Jacob,
and from Judah possessors of my mountains;
my chosen shall possess it,
and my servants shall dwell there.”

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 3:23—4:7

Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to promise.

I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God

has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 8:26–39

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

SONG OF THE DAY

862 Oh, Blest the House

- 1 Oh, blest the house, whate'er befall,
Where Jesus Christ is all in all!
A home that is not wholly His—
How sad and poor and dark it is!
- 4 Oh, blest that house; it prospers well.
In peace and joy the parents dwell,
And in their children's lives is shown
How richly God can bless His own.
- 5 Then here will I and mine today
A solemn promise make and say:
Though all the world forsake His Word,
I and my house will serve the Lord!

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SERMON

Seeing Past the Problem

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.**

OFFERING

TEACHER RECOGNITION

Maggie Sherly and Trudy Kirsch

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Together we pray our family 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.**

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

- C** 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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DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION SONG

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia!

He's My Savior, He's My Savior
He's My Savior, He's My Savior
He's My Savior, He's My Savior
He's My Savior, He's My Savior!

He Is Worthy, He Is Worthy
He Is Worthy, He Is Worthy
He Is Worthy, He Is Worthy
He Is Worthy, He Is Worthy!

He Is Risen, He Is Risen
He Is Risen, He Is Risen
He Is Risen, He Is Risen
He Is Risen, He Is Risen!

I Will Praise Him, I Will Praise Him
I Will Praise Him, I Will Praise Him
I Will Praise Him, I Will Praise Him
I Will Praise Him, I Will Praise Him!

Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia
Alleluia, Alleluia!

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DISMISSAL

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG

All the People Said Amen

You are not alone - if you are lonely
When you feel afraid - you're not the only
We are all the same - in need of mercy
To be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on
But thank God it's all you need

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

If you're rich or poor - well it don't matter
Weak or strong - you know love is what we're after
We're all broken - but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
And He so loved the world
He sent His Son to save us all

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
For theirs is the kingdom - the kingdom of God

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen

And all the people said amen whoa
And all the people said amen
Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends
And all the people said amen
And all the people said amen

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