**St. John’s & St. Peter’s**

## Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

## ~ June 23, 2024 ~

**Gathering**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**\* Confession & Forgiveness** WOV pg. 10

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

***C: Amen.***

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

***C: Amen.***

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

P: Gracious God,

***C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

***C: Amen.***

***\** Entrance Hymn *“When Peace like a River”*** ELW #785

Vs. 1 When peace like a river attendeth my way, when

sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Vs. 2 Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let

this blest assurance control, that Christ hath regarded my

helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Vs. 3 He lives - oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; my

sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to his cross and I

bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Vs. 4 Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trumpet shall sound and the

Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

**Greeting** *WOV pg. 28*

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***WOV pg. 28*

P: Kyrie eleison:

***C: Lord, have mercy.***

P: Christe eleison:

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P: Kyrie eleison:

***C: Lord, have mercy.***

**\* Hymn of Praise** *WOV pg.29*

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

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.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth,

And peace to God’s people on earth.

**\* Prayer of the Day**

P: O God of creation,

***C:*** ***eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

**Word**

**First Reading: Job 38:1-11**

*At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God’s ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty.*

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

**2**“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? **3**Gird up your loins like a man; I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

**4**“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. **5**Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? **6**On what were its bases sunk,    or who laid its cornerstone **7**when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? **8**“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, **9**when I made the clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, **10**and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, **11**and said, ‘Thus far shall you come and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?

**Psalm 107:1-3; 23-32**

**1**Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for his mercy endures forever.  
**2Let the redeemed of the Lord say proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

**3**gathering them in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**23Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters; You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea.  
24**They beheld the works of the Lord, God’s wonderful works in the deep.  
**25Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.**

**26**They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.  
**27They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.****28**Then in their trouble they cried to the Lord, and you delivered them from their distress.

**29You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.** **You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea.**  
**30**Then they were glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.  
**31Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.  
32**Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people; in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

**You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea.**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

*Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.*

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. **2**For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! **3**We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, **4**but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, **5**beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; **6**by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, **7**truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; **8**in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors and yet are true, **9**as unknown and yet are well known, as dying and see—we are alive, as punished and yet not killed, **10**as sorrowful yet always rejoicing, as poor, yet making many rich, as having nothing and yet possessing everything.

**11**We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.

**12**There is no restriction in our affections but only in yours. **13**In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

**\* Gospel Acclamation** *WOV pg. 31*

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

**\* Gospel: Mark 4:35-41**

*Jesus’ calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life’s turbulence.*

**35**When evening had come, Jesus said to the disciples, “Let us go across to the other side.” **36**And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. **37**A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. **38**But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” **39**He woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. **40**He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” **41**And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

**Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”** ELW #773

Vs. 1 Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.

Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Vs. 2 When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,

When my life is almost gone,

At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Vs. 3 When the darkness appears and the night draws near,

And the day is past and gone,

At the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand.

Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

\* **Apostles’ Creed** *WOV pg. 33* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 bur ied; he descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come 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.

**\* The Prayers**

***Lord, listen to your children praying,*** *WOV #775*

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make you church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

You spoke creation into order from chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates and community organizers when they feel weary in their work. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We life before you all who are sick and struggling especially

Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In time of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

**Meal**

**Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

***C: And also with you.***

**\* Offering *“Let the vineyards”*** *WOV pg. 35*

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,

that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we

offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord,

and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

**\* Offering Prayer**

P: Merciful God,

***C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given to us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**\* Great Thanksgiving** *WOV pg. 36*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.***

**\* Words of Institution** *WOV pg. 36*

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

***C: Amen.***

**\* Lord’s Prayer** *WOV pg. 39*

***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.***

**Communion Distribution**

**\*Communion Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep

you in his grace.

***C: Amen.***

**\* Canticle** *WOV Pg. 40*

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell every-

one what God has done. Let all who seek the

Lord rejoice and bear Christ’s holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God,

and lead us forth in joy with shouts

Of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

**\* Prayer** WOV Pg. 41

P:Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

***C: Amen.***

**Sending**

**\* Blessing** WOV Pg. 41

P: Almighty God, Father + Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**\* Sending Hymn “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”** ELW #763

Vs. 1 My life flows on in endless song; above earth’s lamentation,  
 I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

***Refrain:***

***No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I’m clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?***

Vs. 2 Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing.  
 It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing? ***Refrain***

Vs. 3 What though my joys and comforts die? The Lord my Savior liveth.  
 What though the darkness gather round? Songs in the night he

giveth. ***Refrain***

Vs. 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever

springing!

All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

***Refrain***

**\* Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

***C: We will! Thanks be to God!***