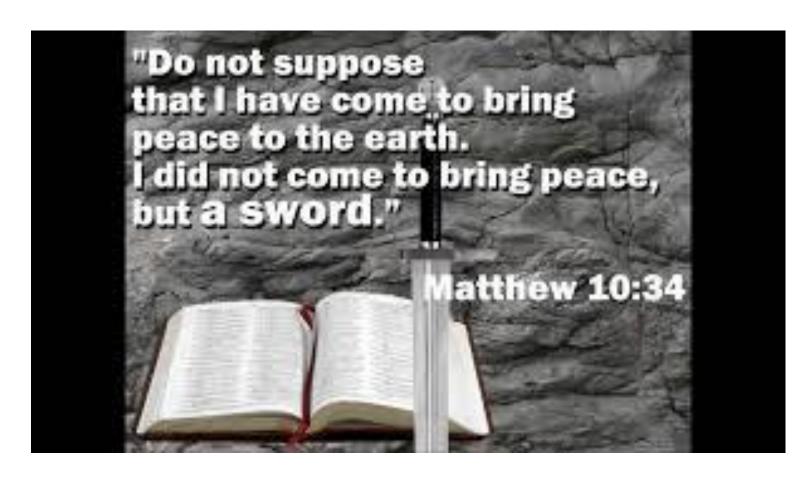
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Sunday, July 9, 2023 The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Service Notes:

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Guests, please sign the guest registry in the narthex.
- If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please talk to him (734-658-5735).

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

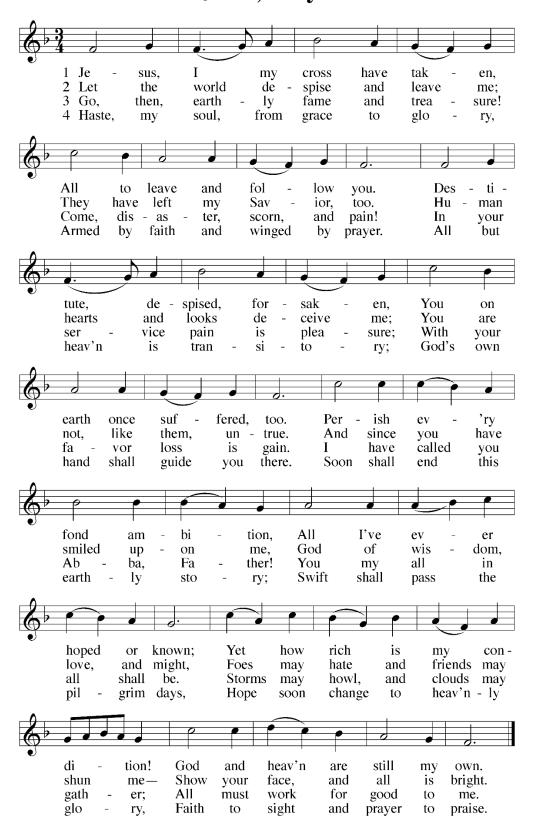
SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN: #465 "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"

Text: Henry F. Lyte (1793-1847)

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Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken



Text: Henry F. Lyte, 1793–1847, abr., alt.

Tune: HYFRYDOL (87 87 D) Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–87.

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

O LORD, OUR LORD



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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THE WORD

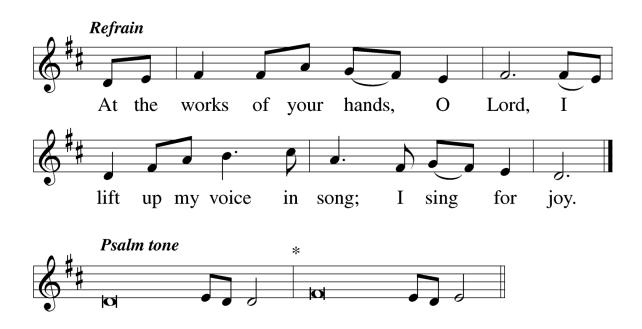
FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵ Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷ Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many

countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 89

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I will sing of the LORD'S great love for<u>ev</u>er;*
I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

I will declare that your love stands firm for<u>ev</u>er,* that you established your faithfulness in heav<u>en</u> itself.

The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,*
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

Refrain

O LORD God Almighty, who <u>is</u> like you?*
You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness sur<u>rounds</u> you.

Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,* who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.

They rejoice in your name <u>all</u> day long;* they exult in your <u>right</u>eousness.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain: At the works of your hands, O Lord, I lift up my voice in song; I sing for joy.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 6:1b-11

Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in

order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia! (Hebrews 4:12)

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 10:34-42

³⁴ "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶ And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸ And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰ "Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹ The one who

receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴² And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: #453 "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke" Text: Jphann Scheffler (1624-1677)

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Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke



Text: Johann Scheffler, 1624–77, abr., st. 1-3, 5; Geistliche Lieder und Lobgesänge, 1695, st. 4; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer,

1813–96, alt

Tune: MACHS MIT MIR, GOTT (87 87 88) Bartholomäus Gesius, c. 1555–1613, adapt.

SERMON STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

M: O most merciful God, Lord of heaven and earth, rule and govern Your Church and all her pastors and ministers that she may be preserved in the pure doctrine of Your saving Word and defended against all adversaries, that thereby faith may be strengthened and love increased in us. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: O Lord, Your Son was rejected on earth, even by His friends and relatives. Give consolation to all Christians who feel the sword of division brought about by the confession of Christ's truth, especially those who cannot find agreement within their own families on the Word of God, from which life itself comes. Assure them that their stand for Your truth is necessary, and guard them from seeking a false or easier peace. Turn us in every earthly disappointment toward the promise of Your eternal and undivided Church Triumphant. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Father in heaven, bring earthly peace, not a sword, to our homes by Your grace. Foster a common love and knowledge of Your Word among husbands and wives, parents and children, and guide their love for one another by Your love for them. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Almighty God, watch over all who make, judge and administer the laws of our nation, and preserve us from sinful contempt of good order and godly laws. Give to our authorities integrity and honor, and bless all inhabitants with charity and love. Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.

M: Gracious Father, according to Your promise You returned exiles from captivity to Jerusalem. Remember those who are displaced from their homes by violence, war or persecution. Provide them with shelter and bodily needs, and foster in them the hope of an eternal home in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Lord of heaven and earth, strengthen Your people to hold fast to Your Word in times of trouble. Preserve them from false messages of peace that do not remove sin. Sustain their faith in Christ, in His peace and in His life. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Heavenly Father, we have died to the law through the body of Christ and now belong to Him who was raised from the dead. Prepare all who commune this day with penitent hearts and a true confession of faith to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins. Lord, in Your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

M: Lord God, heavenly Father, bless us in Christ, that we may bear much fruit. Receive our inadequate thanks for Your kindness, especially toward all who have died in the faith and now rest from their labors. Preserve us in the way of the Holy Spirit until we stand with them in glory; for You live and reign with the same Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.*

M: To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.

C: Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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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
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

BE SEATED

Please use this time for personal preparation or meditation before the Lord's Supper. A form to assist you is on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.

NOTE: Please be prepared to receive the host in your outstretched hand, rather than in your mouth.

STAND



THE SACRAMENT (Page 33)

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and

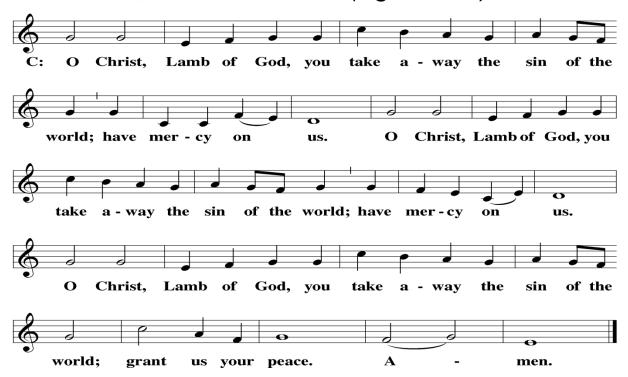
gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



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When I behold Jesus Christ, true God who died for me, I wonder much at his love as he hung on the tree.

(Refrain) What kind of love is this? You showed your love, Jesus, there to me on Calvary.

For me you gave all your love, for me you suffered pain; I find no words, nothing can your selflessness explain. (Refrain)

You had no sin, holy Lord, but you were tortured, tried; On Golgotha there for all my sins you bled and died. (Refrain)

What love is this? Greater love no one has ever known. My life with God—this I owe to you and you alone. (Refrain)

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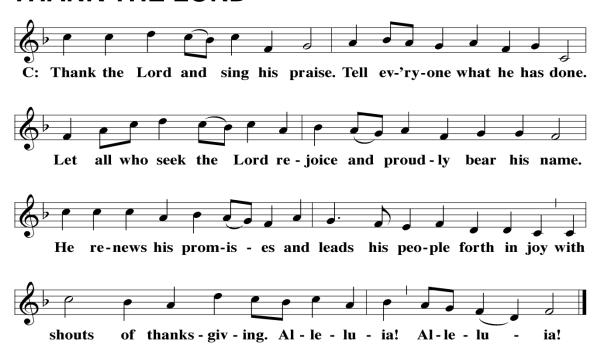
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Tune: The Ash Grove (66 11 66 11 D) Welsh folk tune.

THANKSGIVING (page 36)

STAND

THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Tuesday – 7:00 PM Board Meetings: Trustees and Education/Stewardship

8:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday - 9:30 AM Online Bible Class

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Margaret Seppanen; Ushering – Team 3

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