



Lord of Life
Lutheran Church



*You matter to God.
You matter to us.*
**4th Sunday after Pentecost
June 19-20, 2021**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Service of the Word

THE GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude: Day by Day

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Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the \dagger Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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.

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Gathering Song: How Firm a Foundation

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How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus the Word!

What more can he say than to you he has said
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”

When through fi-’ry trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be your supply.

The flames shall not hurt you; I only design your dross
to consume and your gold to refine.”

“Throughout all their life time my people shall prove my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and then, when gray hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.”

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,
for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house,
and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Canticle of Praise

*Glory to God in the highest,
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.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord Lamb, 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.

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.

Prayer of the Day

O God of creation, 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.

THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Job 38:1-11

A reading from Job.

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.

¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird 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.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
 Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
 or who laid its cornerstone
⁷when 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?—
⁹when I made the clouds its garment,
 and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,
 and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 and here shall your proud waves be stopped’?”

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea. (Ps. 107:29)

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for the ¹ Lord is good,
 for God’s mercy endures forever.

**²Let the redeemed of the ¹ Lord proclaim
 that God redeemed them from the hand ¹ of the foe,**

³gathering them in ¹ from the lands;
 from the east and from the west, from the north and ¹ from the south.

**²³Some went down to the ¹ sea in ships,
 plying their trade ¹ in deep waters.**

²⁴They beheld the works ¹ of the Lord,
 God’s wonderful works ¹ in the deep.

**²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy ¹ wind arose,
 which tossed high the waves ¹ of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended ¹ to the depths;
 their souls melted away ¹ in their peril.

**²⁷They staggered and ¹ reeled like drunkards,
 and all their skill was of ¹ no avail.**

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried ¹ to the Lord,
 and you delivered them from ¹ their distress.

²⁹You stilled the storm¹ to a whisper
and silenced the waves¹ of the sea.

³⁰Then were they glad when¹ it grew calm,
when you guided them to the harbor¹ they desired.

³¹Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your¹ steadfast love
and your wonderful works¹ for all people.

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly¹ of the people;
in the council of the elders, let them sing¹ hallelujah!

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

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.

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For 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! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But 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?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

CANTOR:

Calm to the waves.
Calm to the wind.
Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still."
Balm to our hearts.
Fears at an end.
In stillness, hear his voice.

MEN:

Calm to the waves.
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WOMEN:

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ALL:

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Calm to the wind.
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Balm to our hearts.
Fears at an end.
In stillness, hear his voice.

Apostles' Creed

**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 buried;
he descended to the dead.***

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL AND OFFERING

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering: Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

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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.

Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Thanksgiving at the Table

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.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Communion

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

Lamb of God

**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.**

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and \pm give you peace. **Amen.**

You servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!

Ascended on high, almighty to save,
yet still he is nigh, his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!

Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

Dismissal

Go in peace.
Serve the Lord.
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Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 26	Worship in-person	4:00 PM
Sunday, June 27	Worship in-person or online	9:00 AM
Saturday, July 3	Worship in-person	4:00 PM

Share our Abundance – Save the Date!

Join us Sunday, June 27th at 10:00 am (right after worship) for a celebratory brunch as we give thanks for the gifts received thus far in the campaign! **Sign up by 6/20 at lordoflife.online.**

Become a Worship Servant Today!

If you are interested in being a worship servant for our, please visit <https://signup.zone/lord-of-life> to sign up for available dates.

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