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SUPPORT Christian fellowship,
and SPREAD the Good News of Jesus Christ to all people.*

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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Order of Worship –9 AM

AS WE GATHER – *Our culture is fascinated with rebels. Characters such as Han Solo, Ferris Bueller, and Katniss Everdeen are not perfect, but we admire how they stand up to authority. Whether being a rebel is good or bad depends on whom one is rebelling against. When the authority is God Almighty, rebels are not looked upon so fondly. Israel rebelled against God, and Ezekiel told them just that. The people of Nazareth rejected Jesus, rebelling against their own hometown prophet. Paul was a rebel himself, first against the followers of Jesus, and then on their behalf. Sin is rebellion against God. Yet God forgives our rebellion through Jesus' death and resurrection, turning our rebellion into reconciliation and rejoicing. Despite our weaknesses and inclination to rebel, God's grace comes to us in Jesus, and He is sufficient for us.*

PRESERVICE MUSIC

“Allegretto Cantabile”

by Joseph Haydn

WELCOME

[Please fill out prayer request cards.]

[d]Means please stand; [p]Means please be seated]

d OPENING HYMN

O Blessed, Holy Trinity



1 O bless - ed, ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Di - vine, e -
2 My soul and bod - y keep from harm, And o - ver
3 The Fa - ther's love shield me this day; The Son's pure
4 My Mak - er, hold me in Your hand; O Christ, for -
5 Lord, bless and keep me as Your own; Lord, look in



ter - nal U - ni - ty, O Fa - ther, Son, and
all ex - tend Your arm; Let Sa - tan cause me
wis - dom cheer my way; The Ho - ly Spir - it's
giv - en let me stand; Blest Com - fort - er, do
kind - ness from Your throne; Lord, shine un - fail - ing



Ho - ly Ghost, This day Your name be up - per - most.
no dis - tress Nor bring me shame and wretch - ed - ness.
joy and light Drive from my heart the shades of night.
not de - part; With faith and love en - rich my heart.
peace on me By grace sur - round - ed; set me free.

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INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

P *In the name of the Father and of the \div Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

P *Lift up your eyes to the Lord!*

C **For He is filled with mercy.**

P *Plead with Him for what you need.*

C **For He is filled with power.**

P *Be content with His ways.*

C **For His grace is sufficient.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P *Beloved in the Lord, each of us has rebelled against God and rejected His will, His ways, and His commands. We were born in sin and weakness. We cannot escape our rebellious condition on our own. Let us then confess our sins to God, our heavenly Father.*

[Silence for reflection.]

P *Heavenly Father,*

C **we confess that we have rejected Your ways and sought our own. We have rebelled against Your almighty rule, trying to be the masters of our own lives. We have failed to love You with all our heart. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves. We have failed to love our enemies as You commanded. Forgive us by Your power, mercy, and grace.**

P *In the power, mercy, and grace of Almighty God, Jesus Christ died and was raised for you. On account of Christ and His all-sufficient grace, God forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \div Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen. His grace is sufficient for us. His power is made perfect in weakness.**

INTROIT

Ps. 132:13–16; antiphon: Ps. 34:8

P *Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!*

C **Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!**

P *For the LORD has chosen Zion;*

C **he has desired it for his dwelling place:**

P *"This is my resting place forever;*

C **here I will dwell, for I have desired it.**

P *I will abundantly bless her provisions;*

C **I will satisfy her poor with bread.**

P *Her priests I will clothe with salvation,*

C **and her saints will shout for joy."**

All: 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.

P Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

C Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

HYMN OF PRAISE

To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glo-ry, great things He hath done, So loved He the world that He gave us His Son. Who yield-ed His life an a-tone-ment for liev-er the prom-ise of God; The vil-est of-fen-der who tru-ly be-joic-ing through Je-sus the Son; But pur-er, and high-er, and great-er will sins, And o-pened the life-gate that all may go in. lieves, That mo-ment from Je-sus a par-don re- ceives. Praise___ the be Our won-der, our trans-port, when Je-sus we see. Lord, praise___ the Lord, Let___ the earth hear His voice! Praise___ the Lord, praise___ the Lord. Let the peo-ple re- joice! O come to the Fa-ther, through Je-sus the Son, and give Him the glo-ry, great things He hath done.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

All: O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

P Let us share this peace with one another.

(People greet one another saying: "Peace be with you. And also with you.")

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

Ezekiel 2:1-5

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Mark 6:13

All: Alleluia. They cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.*

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

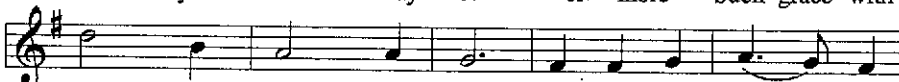
[Prayer requests will be collected at this time.]

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Christ, Our True and Only Light



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en
2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now
3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may
4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the
5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.
in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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SERMON

Pastor George Naeem, Guest Pastor
"MY GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR YOU, FOR MY POWER IS MADE PERFECT IN WEAKNESS"
2 Corinthians 12:9

♪ APOSTLE'S 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 there 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

"O Christ, Our True and Only Light"

by J. S. Bach

♪ OFFERTORY

Make Me a Servant

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek; Lord, let me
Help me to serve you in joy and love May I serve

lift up — those who are — weak. And may the pray'r of my
oth - ers with grace from a - bove. And may the pray'r of my

heart al - ways be: Make me a ser - vant, make me a
heart al - ways be: Make me a ser - vant, make me a

ser - vant, Make me a ser - vant to - day.
ser - vant, Make me a ser - vant to - day.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- ☐ *Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. For children and infants, that they be raised by faithful parents and guardians, and grow in strength and in knowledge of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.*
- ☑ **Lord, have mercy.**
- ☐ *For those in power, especially elected officials, that they would treat those under their power with justice and compassion, let us pray to the Lord.*
- ☑ **Lord, have mercy.**
- ☐ *For the elderly and homebound, that God would strengthen them through His Word and Sacraments, let us pray to the Lord.*
- ☑ **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the leaders of this congregation, that God would send His guidance and wisdom for the benefit of this congregation and community, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those experiencing difficult times, with special needs, with health issues, recuperating, those who have cancer, those who are shut-in or in a Nursing facility, those serving our country in the military, [including...], that they rely on the all-sufficient grace of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your power, mercy, and grace.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

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 His peace.

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

O Christ, Who Called the Twelve



1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and fol - low You, For -
2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for a - ges sealed, Whose
3 O Christ, who led the Twelve A - mong the des - o - late And
4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd nev - er trod To



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways For ven - tures bold and new:
words and works a - wak - ened faith, The ways of God re - vealed:
broke as bread of life for all Your love com - pas - sion - ate:
serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro - claim The near - er reign of God:



Grant us to hear Your call To risk se - cu - ri - ty And,
In - struct us now, we pray, By Your em - pow'r - ing Word. True
Lead us a - long the ways Where hope has near - ly died And
Send us on ways where faith Tran - scends ti - mid - i - ty, Where

(continued)



bound in heart and will to You, Find per - fect lib - er - ty.
 teach - er, be for all who seek Their light, their life, their Lord.
 help us climb the lone - ly hills Where love is cru - ci - fied.
 love in - forms and hope sus - tains Both life and min - is - try.

5. **O Christ, th' apostles' Lord,
 The martyrs' strength and song,
 The crucified and risen King
 To whom the saints belong:
 Though generations pass,
 Our tribute still we bring,
 Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,
 Our lives an offering.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Birthdays: Devin Monasmith]

POSTLUDE

"Gavotte"

by G. F. Handel

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THE LUTHERAN HOUR MESSAGE
KOA 850 AM: Sunday @ 6:00 AM

July 15: "My Feelings, Meet God's Word!"; Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer, Guest Speaker
 Emotions often drive our lives. When we think about our feelings in light of the Word of God, we are led to Jesus our Savior, but ignoring God's Word makes life a soap opera mess. (Mark 6:14-29)