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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Order of Worship –9:00 AM

AS WE GATHER – Today we hear of Jesus healing Bartimaeus, a blind man. Jesus had healed another blind man in the town of Bethsaida (Mark 8:22-26). There the first healing touch of Jesus did not seem to work completely. Strangely, the man's sight was only partially restored. What was missing? It took a second touch to restore his sight fully. With Bartimaeus, there is no second touch of Jesus, not even a touch at all, only His word, "Go your way; your faith has made you well" (Mark 10:52). The metaphor of physical blindness speaks of the spiritual blindness that we with the first disciples need to confront, namely, sin, our separation and alienation from God. Jesus spoke three times between these two healings of His ultimate act and victory over death. True faith sees our ultimate healing only through the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Faith follows after Jesus through the cross.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

"A Morning Prelude"

by Ernest H. Sheppard

WELCOME

[♯Means please stand; ♪Means please be seated]

♯OPENING HYMN

God, Whose Almighty Word

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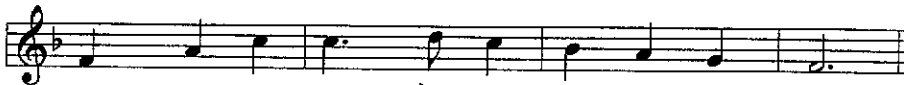
1 God, whose al - might - y word Cha - os and
2 Lord, who once came to bring, On Your re -
3 Spir - it of truth and love, Life - giv - ing,
△ 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, Glo - ri - ous



dark - ness heard And took their flight: Hear us, we
deem - ing wing, Heal - ing and sight, Health to the
ho - ly dove, Speed forth Your flight; Move on the
Trin - i - ty, Wis - dom, love, might! Bound - less as



hum - bly pray, And where the Gos - pel day
sick in mind, Sight to the in - ly blind:
wa - ter's face, Bear - ing the lamp of grace,
o - cean's tide, Roll - ing in full - est pride,



Sheds not its glo - rious ray, Let there be light!
 Oh, now to hu - man-kind Let there be light!
 And in earth's dark - est place Let there be light!
 Through the earth, far and wide, Let there be light!

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INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P *Our help is in the name of the LORD.*

C **Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!**

P *Let us confess our greatest need to God, our merciful Father.*

C **Merciful God, we confess that we are in the darkness of the fallen world by our own sin, our failure to keep Your holy Commandments in our thoughts, words, and deeds, as well as the good we have failed to do. Deliver us from the darkness of death by the light of Your Son's saving death on the cross and the power of His resurrection. Speak now Your divine Word of forgiveness, life, and salvation. Amen.**

P *In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 131; antiphon: Psalm 130:1-2

P *Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!*

C **O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!**

P *O LORD, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;*

C **I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.**

P *But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;*

C **like a weaned child is my soul within me.**

P *O Israel, hope in the LORD*

C **from this time forth and forevermore.**

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.**

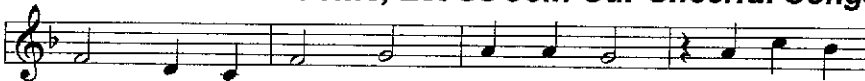
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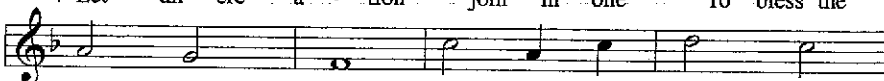
HYMN OF PRAISE

Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

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1 Come, let us join our cheer - ful songs With an - gels
 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "To be ex -
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re - ceive Hon - or and
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in - one To bless the



round the throne; Ten thou - sand thou - sand
 alt - ed thus!" "Wor - thy the Lamb," our
 pow'r di - vine; And bless - ings more than
 sa - cred name Of Him who sits up -



are their tongues, But all their joys are one.
lips re - ply, "For He was slain for us!"
we can give Be, Lord, for - ev - er Thine.
on the throne And to a - dore the Lamb.

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SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P *The Lord be with you.*

C **And also with you.**

P *Let us pray.*

All: O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31:7–9

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 7:23–28

(lesson is on the last page of the bulletin)

L *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE

Hebrews 12:2a

All: Alleluia. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith. Alléluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:46–52

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

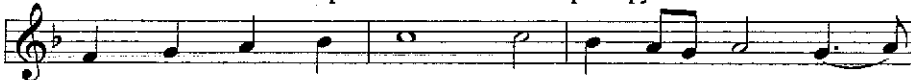
HYMN OF THE DAY

O Son of God, in Galilee

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1 O Son of God, in Gal - i - lee You
2 O lis - ten to the si - lent prayer Of
3 The speech - less tongue, the life - less ear You
4 Mean - while to them the lis - t'ning ear Of
5 Then in Your prom - ised hap - py land Each



made the deaf to hear, The mute to speak, the
Your af - flict - ed ones. O bid them cast on
can re - store, O Lord; Your "Eph - pha - tha," O
stead - fast faith im - part, And let Your Word bring
loss will prove a gain; All mys - t'ries we shall



blind to see; O bless - ed Lord, be near.
 You their care; Your grace to them make known.
 Sav - ior dear, Can in - stant help af - ford.
 light and cheer To ev - 'ry trou - bled heart.
 un - der - stand, For You will make them plain.

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SERMON

☩ 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

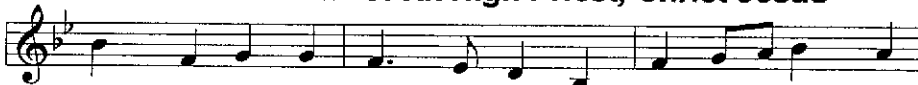
"Con Dolcezza"

by August Reinhard

☩ OFFERTORY

Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus

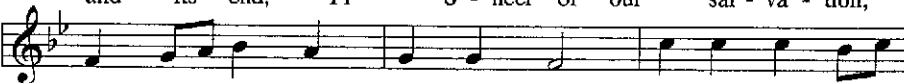
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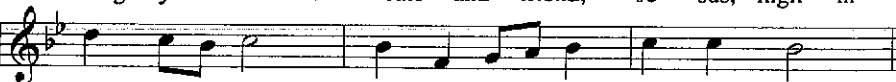
1 Since our great High Priest, Christ Je - sus, Bears the name a -
 2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, Know - ing weak - ness,
 3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - f'ring o - ver, Now He sits at
 4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, Faith's be - gin - ning



bove all names, Reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing
 tears, and pain, Who like us was tried and tempt - ed,
 God's right hand, Crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,
 and its end, Pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,



Oth - er ti - tles, pow'rs and claims— Since to heav'n our
 Un - like us, with - out a stain— Since He shared our
 His pre - em - i - nence long - planned; Such a great High
 Might-y ad - vo - cate and friend; Je - sus, high in



Lord has passed, Let us hold our wit - ness fast!
 low - ly place, Let us bold - ly seek His grace.
 Priest we have, Strong to help, su - preme to save.
 glo - ry raised, Our as - cend - ed Lord be praised!

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P *Gracious and merciful God, we give You thanks that You have restored our spiritual sight in the salvation You have given to the whole world through the blessed and glorious death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Help us to fix our eyes continually upon Him as He comes to us here in the preaching of Your Holy Word and the faithful administration of Your Holy Sacraments. Enable us to follow Him in the way that leads to the eternal vision of everlasting life. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Guide and defend Your whole Church. Bless Matthew Harrison, our synodical president, and Roger Schlechte, our district president. Grant wisdom and grace to all pastors, and send the light of Your truth into all the earth that many may come to receive Your grace and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Today we thank You especially for Lutheran Braille Workers, who serve those with vision impairments with religious and spiritual materials. Bless the many volunteers in their service to blind and low-vision people worldwide. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Preserve our nation in justice and honor that we lead a peaceable life with integrity. Grant health and favor to all who bear the offices of government in our land. Help them to serve all people according to Your holy will. Guard and protect also all who serve in the armed forces of our country, [especially...]. Grant them faithfulness and success in their service, and grant that their homecomings be joyful. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *By Your Word and Holy Spirit, comfort all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or adversity, [especially . . .]. Be with those also who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on all to whom death draws near. Sustain and bless all who care for those that suffer. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served You in Your Church on earth, who now rest from their labors. Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, and bring us at last to the joys of Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

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.**

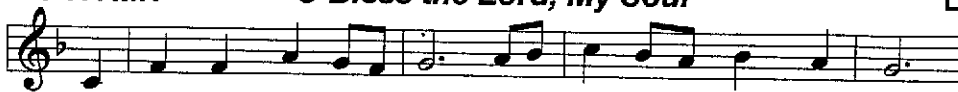
BENEDICTION

P *The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you His peace.* **C** **Amen.**

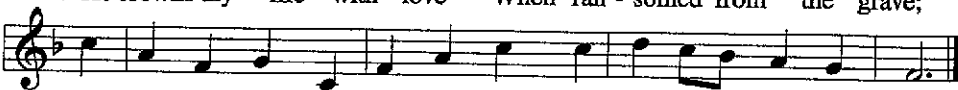
CLOSING HYMN

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

LSB 814



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! Let all with - in me join
 2 O bless the Lord, my soul, Nor let His mer - cies lie
 3 'Tis He for - gives thy sins; 'Tis He re - lieves thy pain;
 4 He crowns thy life with love When ran - somed from the grave;



And aid my tongue to bless His name Whose fa - vors are di - vine.
 For - got - ten in un - thank - ful - ness And with - out prais - es die!
 'Tis He that heals thy sick - ness - es And makes thee young a - gain.
 He that re - deemed my soul from hell Hath sov - 'reign pow'r to save.

- 5. He fills the poor with good;
He gives the sufferers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud
And justice for th'oppressed.
- 6. His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
By His belovèd Son.

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[Birthday: *Kristen Hatton*]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE

"With Grateful Hearts"

by E. L. Ashford

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WE WISH TO THANK the following for their participation in our worship service this morning:

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 Altar Guild Elsie Leiker, Sharon Milliken, Lori Williams
 Counters..... Mackenzie Egan & Rob Hatton
 Elder on Duty Doug Harder
 Greeter Karen Batt
 Lay Reader..... Betty Adam
 Organist / Music Director..... Beth Buss
 Service Web Recorder Robert Showalter
 Service Live Streaming Stuart Ruwet
 Ushers**Phil Vandre, *Naomi Kettner, Cameron Hatton, Brad Meythaler

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