THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn ------ Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old CW 520

- Your hand, O Lord, in days of old Was strong to heal and save; It triumphed o'er disease and death, All darkness and the grave. To you they came, the blind, the dumb, The paralyzed and lame, The lepers in their misery, The sick with fevered frame.
- Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, Gave speech and strength and sight; And youth renewed and frenzy calmed Revealed you, Lord of light. And now, O Lord, be near to bless, Almighty as before, In crowded street, by beds of pain, As by Gennes'ret's shore.
- 3. Oh, be our great deliv'rer still, The Lord of life and death; Restore and quicken, soothe and bless, With your life-giving breath. To hands that work and eyes that see Give wisdom's healing pow'r That whole and sick and weak and strong May praise you evermore.

Stand.

- 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.



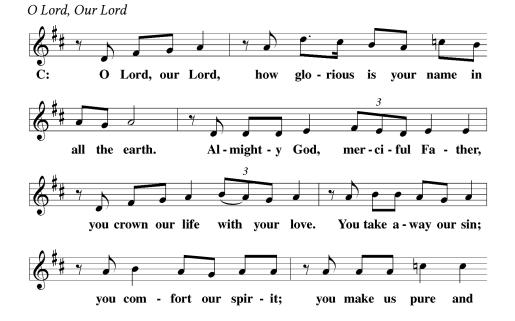
M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



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.



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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.



Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ------ Lamentations 3:22-33

By the mercies of the LORD we are not consum	ed
for his compassions do not fail.	

- They are new every morning. Great is your faithfulness.
- My soul says, "The LORD is my portion. Therefore, I will hope in him."
- The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.
- It is good to hope quietly for the salvation of the LORD.
- It is good for a man that he bears a yoke early in his life.

Let him sit alone and be silent, because the LORD
has laid this upon him.
Let him stick his face in the dust. Perhaps there

- Let him stick his face in the dust. Perhaps there still is hope.
- Let him turn his cheek toward the one who strikes him. Let him be filled with disgrace.
- For the Lord will not push us away forever.
- Even though he brings grief, he will show compassion on the basis of his great mercy.
- Certainly, it is not what his heart desires when he causes affliction,
- when he brings grief to the children of men.

Psalm of the Day -	Psalm 30
	CW p.76

Refrain

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

Sing to the LORD, you <u>saints</u> of his;* praise his <u>ho</u>ly name.

For his anger lasts only a <u>mo</u>ment,* but his favor lasts a <u>life</u>time;

weeping may remain <u>for</u> a night,* but rejoicing comes in the <u>morn</u>ing.

Refrain

To you, O <u>LORD</u>, I called;* to the Lord I cried for <u>mer</u>cy.

Hear, O LORD, and be merci<u>ful</u> to me;* O LORD, <u>be</u> my help.

You turned my wailing into <u>danc</u>ing,* that my heart may sing to you and not be <u>si</u>lent.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

Refrain

Second Lesson ------ 2 Corinthians 8:1-9,13,14

Now brothers, we want you to know about the grace of God that was given in the churches of Macedonia: In a severe test of trouble, their overflowing joy and their deep poverty overflowed into an abundance of their generosity. I testify that of their own free will they gave according to their ability, and even beyond their ability, pleading with us with an urgent request for the gracious privilege of joining in this service to the saints. And they did this not as we had expected, but in keeping with God's will they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us. As a result we urged Titus, since he had already made a beginning, to bring to completion this gracious gift on your part. But just as you overflow in every way—in faith, in word, in knowledge, in all diligence, and in your love for us—see that you also overflow in this gracious gift.

I do not say this as a command, but to test how genuine your love is, by comparing it with the eagerness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that although he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich. ...

Certainly, our goal is not that others take it easy while you are burdened, but that there may be equality. At the present time, your abundance will provide what they lack, in order that their abundance will also provide what you lack—in this way there will be equality.

> Mark 8:34b Tune: CW 183



Stand.

Verse of the Day

Gospel ----- Mark 5:21-24a,35-43

When Jesus had again crossed over in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him near the sea. Then one of the synagogue rulers, named Jairus, came. When he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet and repeatedly pleaded with him, "My little daughter is near death. Please come and place your hands on her so that she may be healed and live." Jesus went with him. ...

While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue ruler's house arrived, saying, "Your daughter is dead. Why bother the Teacher anymore?"

But when Jesus heard this report, he told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid. Only believe." He did not allow anyone to follow him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. They went into the house of the synagogue ruler, and Jesus saw a commotion with people weeping and wailing loudly. When he entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping."

They laughed at him. But after he put everyone out, he took the father of the child, her mother, and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Grasping the hand of the child, he said to her, *"Talitha, koum!*" (When translated, that means, *"Little girl, I say to you, arise!"*) Immediately the little girl stood up and began to walk around. (She was twelve years old.) They were completely and utterly amazed. Then he gave them strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and he told them to give her something to eat.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ------ In You, O Lord, I Put My Trust

CW 448

- In you, O Lord, I put my trust-Leave me not helpless in the dust; Let me not be confounded. My faith, O Lord, Must in your Word Be always firmly grounded.
- Oh, listen, Lord, most graciously, And hear my cry, my prayer, my plea; Make haste for my protection, For woes and fear Surround me here. Help me in my affliction.

- You are my strength, my shield, my rock, My fortress that withstands each shock, My help, my life, my tower, My battle sword, Almighty Lord-What can resist your power?
- With you, O Lord, I cast my lot; O faithful God, forsake me not, To you my soul commending. Lord, be my stay, And lead the way Now and when life is ending.
- All honor, praise, and majesty To Father, Son, and Spirit be, Our God forever glorious, In whose rich grace We run our race Till we depart victorious.

Sermon	- Lamentations	3:22-33
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The Lord Is My Portion

Stand.

Nicene Creed

C: 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.

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Be seated.

Offering

Stand.

Prayer of the Church

The minister calls for the petitions and the congregation prays with "Lord, have mercy."

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

- M: To the Lord from whom our help comes, that as He has brought us into the Holy Christian Church and made Christ our shield from every enemy, so He would preserve us in such faith until at last He brings us out of this world into resurrection forevermore, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For the Church, that God would give us generous hearts to supply the saints from our abundance, seeing that Christ has made us rich by His humble poverty; for our preachers, that they may serve for the sake of Christ's call, not earthly gain; and for all Christians who have received excellence in faith, speech, knowledge and every gift of God's Word, that they may provide richly for the preaching of the Gospel and the work of the Church, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**



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- M: For every Christian home, that our gracious Lord would bestow on them His never-ending compassion; that He would turn parents in kindness to their children; that He would make children ready in obedience and love toward their parents and each other; for the young, that they would learn discipline and trust in God; and for fathers, that they would not exasperate their children, but be examples of devotion to the fear and instruction of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: For those in need, that as God did not turn aside the bold request of Jairus so He would drive away our fears and give us believing faith; for the sick and suffering [especially ______]; and for those who mourn, [especially ______]; that they would know and believe Christ will awaken the dead on the Last Day as if from a mere sleep, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.
- M: For all who commune, that they may seek worthily the medicine of immortality given in the Lord's Supper, believing that as Christ on earth always used His divine powers as a man to heal and save, so here in the blessed Sacrament He is bodily present to deliver His healing and saving power to faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**
- M: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

THE SACRAMENT



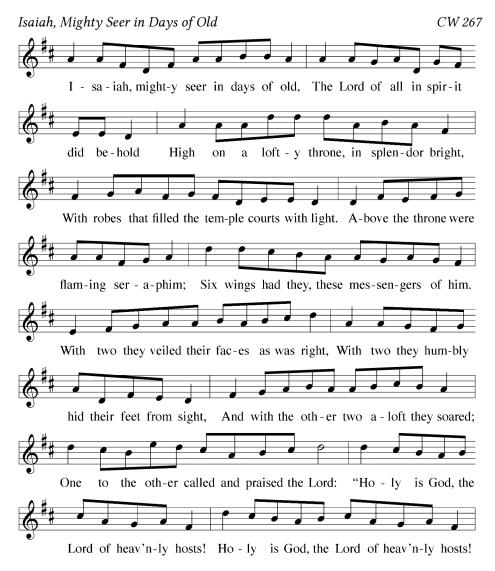
M: Lift up your hearts

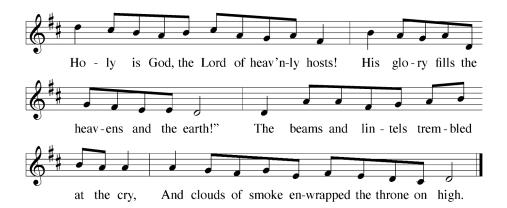


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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.





Words of Institution

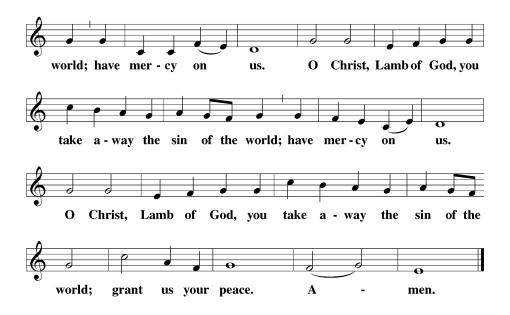
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.







Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

In Holy Communion we believe that Jesus gives us his own body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. We ask that, in keeping with God's Word, only confirmed members who are in confessional unity with our church (WELS and ELS) would come forward to receive this sacrament. If you have any questions or are interested in communicant membership, please speak with the pastor.

During the distribution, the congregation sings the following hymn:

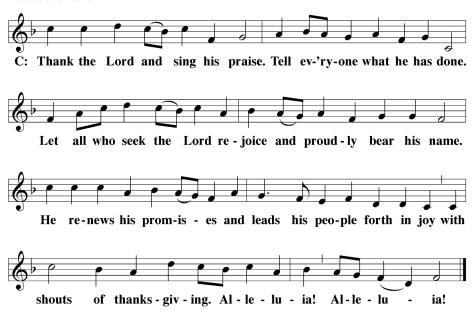
Hymn ------ Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared CW 312

 Lord Jesus Christ, you have prepared This feast for our salvation; It is your body and your blood, And at your invitation As weary souls, with sin oppressed, We come to you for needed rest, For comfort, and for pardon.

- Although you did to heav'n ascend, Where angel hosts are dwelling, And in your presence they behold Your glory, all excelling, And though your people shall not see Your glory and your majesty Till dawns the judgment morning,
- Yet, Savior, you are not confined To any habitation, But you are present ev'rywhere And with your congregation. Firm as a rock this truth shall stand, Unmoved by any daring hand Or subtle craft and cunning.
- 4. We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing That your true body and your blood Our lips are here receiving. This Word remains forever true, And there is naught you cannot do, For you, Lord, are almighty.
- Though reason cannot understand, Yet faith this truth embraces: Your body, Lord, is ev'rywhere At once in many places. I leave to you how this can be; Your Word alone suffices me; I trust its truth unfailing.
- Lord, I believe what you have said; Help me when doubts assail me. Remember that I am but dust, And let my faith not fail me. Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears And is my priceless treasure.
- Grant that we worthily receive Your supper, Lord, our Savior, And, truly grieving for our sins, May prove by our behavior That we are thankful for your grace And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.
- For your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages! Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages. Grant that this sacrament may be A blessed comfort unto me When living and when dying.

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.



Blessing

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.



Be seated.

Hymn ------ I Walk in Danger All the Way CW 431

- I walk in danger all the way; The thought shall never leave me That Satan, who has marked his prey, Is plotting to deceive me. This foe with hidden snares May seize me unawares If e'er I fail to watch and pray; I walk in danger all the way.
- I pass through trials all the way, With sin and ills contending; In patience I must bear each day The cross of God's own sending. Oft in adversity I know not where to flee When storms of woe my soul dismay; I pass through trials all the way.
- Grim death pursues me all the way; Nowhere I rest securely. He comes by night, he comes by day, And takes his prey most surely. A failing breath, and I In death's strong grasp may lie To face eternity today. Grim death pursues me all the way.

- 4. I walk with angels all the way; They shield me and befriend me. All Satan's pow'r is held at bay When heav'nly hosts attend me. They are my sure defense; All fear and sorrow, hence! Unharmed by foes, do what they may, I walk with angels all the way.
- 5. I walk with Jesus all the way; His guidance never fails me.
 He takes my ev'ry fear away When Satan's pow'r assails me,
 And, by his footsteps led, My path I safely tread.
 In spite of ills that threaten may, I walk with Jesus all the way.
- My walk is heav'nward all the way; Await, my soul, the morrow, When you farewell can gladly say To all your sin and sorrow. All worldly pomp, begone! To heav'n I now press on. For all the world I would not stay; My walk is heav'nward all the way.



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