



WORSHIP LEADERS

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July 6, 2025 8:30/10am

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

This week our nation rejoiced in the freedom won by our founding fathers. Today, we gather in faith to thank God for what He has done for us. We are citizens of our country and we are also citizens of the Kingdom of God. We are therefore free to go to Him, praying for peace for ourselves, our nation, and the world. Because of the gracious promises of God kept by our Lord Jesus Christ, we have reason to rejoice; our hope is sure!

PRE-SERVICE PRAISE "Here I Am to Worship"

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see,
Beauty that made
This heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus

So here I am to worship, Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above,
Humbly You came
To the earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor **Chorus**

And I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross **Chorus**

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN

“Before You, Lord, We Bow”

LSB 966, vv. 1-2

Before You, Lord, we bow,
Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below,
Boundless in pow’r and love.
Our thanks we bring
In joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise
To You, our King!

The nation You have blest
May well Your love declare,
From foes and fears at rest,
Protected by Your care.
For this bright day,
For this fair land—
Gifts of Your hand—
Our thanks we pay.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your unfailing love; according to Your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

(Psalm 51:1-3, 10)

God, who cares for all,

we confess that we are by nature sinful and alienated from You. We do not always love You with our whole heart. We do not care for ourselves, our neighbors, our nation, or the earth as we ought. Forgive our failure to hear Your Word, our failure to worship You regularly, our failure to appreciate the great gifts of forgiveness and freedom that You have given us in the Church and in our country. Forgive our neglect of praying regularly for our world, our nation, and our elected leaders. Make us strong witnesses in Word and action to Your redeeming love. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us. He sent His Son into this world of sin to set us free from the power of sin and death. At the command and promise of my Lord Jesus Christ, I, as a called and ordained pastor, forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” LSB 686, vv. 1, 3-4

Come, Thou Fount of ev’ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore Thee;
May I still Thy goodness prove.

Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see Thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
How I’ll sing Thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
Take my ransom’d soul away;
Send Thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I’m constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand’ring heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

God of the nations, guide Your people by Your Spirit that our nation, in harmony with all the nations of the earth, may set an example of justice and freedom. Give us whatever outward prosperity may be Your will. Above all things give us faith in You, that our nation may bring glory to Your name and blessings to all peoples throughout the world; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 66:10-14

“Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.” For thus says the Lord: “Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass; and the hand of the Lord shall be known to his servants, and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 6:1-10, 14

Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load. One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:1-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10th chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town. "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. "The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me." The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN “Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying” LSB 826, vv. 1-2, 4

Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
“Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting—
Who will bear the sheaves away?”
Loud and long the Master calleth;
Rich reward He offers thee.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
“Here am I, send me, send me”?

Let none hear you idly saying,
“There is nothing I can do,”
While the multitudes are dying
And the Master calls for you.
Take the task He gives you gladly,
Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth,
“Here am I, send me, send me!”

If you cannot speak like angels,
If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus,
You can say He died for all.
If you cannot rouse the wicked
With the judgment’s dread alarms,
You can lead the little children
To the Savior’s waiting arms.

SERMON

“Title”

Pastor Snow

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

Musical Offering *Sung by Songleaders*

"Forever Reign"

Reuban Morgan and Jason Ingram

You are good, You are good, When there's nothing good in me.

You are love, You are love, On display for all to see.

You are light, You are light, When the darkness closes in.

You are hope, You are hope, You have covered all my sin.

You are peace, You are peace, When my fear is crippling.

You are true, You are true, Even in my wandering.

You are joy, You are joy, You're the reason that I sing.

You are life, You are life, In You death has lost its sting.

Chorus

Oh, I'm running to Your arms, I'm running to Your arms.

The riches of Your love will always be enough.

Nothing compares to Your embrace.

Light of the world, forever reign.

You are more, You are more, Than my words will ever say.

You are Lord, You are Lord, All creation will proclaim.

You are here, You are here, In Your presence I'm made whole.

You are God, You are God, Of all else I'm letting go. *Chorus*

My heart will sing no other Name, Jesus, Jesus. *(Repeat) Chorus*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. God of all creation, You have bestowed peace and every blessing on Your servants. You have honored us by sending us out to work for You. Use these offerings, signs of Your goodness and symbols of our love, to extend Your kingdom of peace for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gracious God, You sacrificed Your Son that we may be free from the power of sin and death. We thank You for men and women who have served, as well as those who are currently serving, in the armed forces of our country. Bless them because of their willingness to risk their lives to protect us and to defend our liberty so that in freedom we might worship you.

Grant to them peace and an understanding of the gratitude we have for their service to our country.

Creator God, part of Your plan for our world is that governments be established to keep order and to provide justice for all. We thank You for all who serve in our government agencies. Bless our President and Congress, our judges and officials; that good order may prevail.

Give wisdom to our leaders, that they may rule with a sense of justice tempered by mercy.

Protect those who risk their lives to protect us: police officers, sheriff departments, first-aid teams and others,
that they may be kept from harm and danger as they serve citizens on our behalf.

Grant Your special gifts, O Lord, to all who have needs for healing, for comfort, and for hope...strengthen their faith in times of adversity,

Deliver them, assure them of Your love and faithfulness, and may Your will be done.

Help us to treasure the gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation, and to use these gifts for Your glory. Lord, hear our prayer, in the name of Jesus who teaches us to pray...

THE 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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat, this is my body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me"

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying. "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

COMMUNION AT ST. JOHN'S

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood. This we eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold to a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor or an elder. For further readings in Scripture, we suggest Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

- **Communicants will go around front rail to receive elements in a continuous fashion.**
- **Individual cups may be deposited in the wooden box on the wall.**
- **If you would like the pastor to bring communion to you, please inform an usher anytime during the service.**
- **Children of all ages may join their parents and receive a special blessing.**
- **For those who desire it, non-alcoholic wine is available in the center ring of the tray of individual cups.**

DISTRIBUTION

HYMN

“When Peace, Like a River”

LSB 763

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;
When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

It is well (It is well)
with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood for my soul. ***Refrain***

He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! ***Refrain***

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;
Even so it is well with my soul. ***Refrain***

SONG**"Peace Be Yours"**

Peace be yours.
May the Lord be with you
as we gather now
and your whole life through,
blessing and mercy and wholeness, too.
May God's peace be yours.

Peace be yours
As you scatter from here.
Anywhere you go,
God is always near,
Loving and calming your deepest fear.
May God's peace be yours.

Seek your strength
Where the Lord does abide
When the greatest evil
is at your side.
In Word and Sacrament, Christ resides.
May God's peace be yours.

Always know
He has conquered the one
who defies your life
in God's only Son.
Yours is the struggle that Christ has won.
May God's peace be yours.

HYMN**"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"****LSB 637**

Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured;
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and Himself the priest.

He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
To all believers life eternal yields;
With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

SONG

"Go in Peace and Serve the Lord"

Sing twice

Go in peace and serve the Lord. God is call - ing you to - day. Go and
tell gos - pel news ev - ry - where. _____ Go in peace and serve the
Lord. God is call - ing you to - day to
bring _____ truth and love to ev - ry na - - tion.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May this wonderful gift of Your sacrament, O Lord, strengthen our faith in Your saving grace, that we might ever shine with the light of Christ who saved us through the sacrifice of His body and blood.

Amen.

THE BLESSING

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

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN**“God Bless Our Native Land”****LSB 965**

God bless our native land;
Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night.
When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave,
Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.

So shall our prayers arise
To God above the skies;
On Him we wait.
Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye,
To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!

SENDING**THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH ST. JOHN’S TODAY!**

If this is your first time at St. John’s, we encourage you to fill out a CONNECTCard located on the Welcome Desk. We want an opportunity to get to know you.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Communion Assistants: 8:30 Chris Mundahl, Pete Siedelman, Marcus Simpson
10 Daniel Schlueter, Bruce Wolf, Scott McCarty

Elders: 8:30/10 Brian Honebrink

Usher Team: 8:30 Jeff Rasmussen/10 Craig Pauling

Welcome Team: 8:30 Bonnie Schaefer, Gary Herber/10 Wendy Schlueter

Tech Crew: 8:30 Sara Buesgens/10 Bennett McGlothlin

UPCOMING WEEK	
Monday – 7	Men’s Bible Study 6:30am
	Monday Night Meal 5:15pm
	AA 7:00pm
Tuesday – 8	Elders Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday – 9	Family Faith Night @ Veterans Park 5:30pm
	Trustees Mtg 6:30pm
Friday – 11	AA 6:30pm
Sunday – 13	Worship 8:30*/10am**
	*Installation of Church Officers
	**Commissioning and Send Off for NYG
	Discovery Class 9:30am
	Blood Pressure Screening 9:30am
	Parents in the Word Bible Study 9:30am

Celebrating Birthdays

7/6
Jennifer Johnson
Miles Otterstatter
7/7
Amy Kranz
Morgan Leary
Myckenzie Kloos

7/8
Lyle Hilk
Paul Willmsen
Hans Krueger
7/9
Jill Larson
7/10
Karna Hagen
Mitchell Moldenhauer
Wendy Danner

7/11
John Marsh
Troy Hubley
7/12
Mary Stuewe
Tracy Koepsell

Celebrating Anniversaries

7/6 Harold and Donnave Bartsch
7/6 Darren and Elise Wercinski
7/6 Paul and Gretchen Dolan

7/7 Christopher and Cheryl Kulish
7/9 Brandon and Katelyn Olson
7/10 Dan and Amanda Quist

Expectant Moms

Hannah Herelle
Courtney Messenger

Anna Jeurissen
Hailey Busker

Rachel Hubley
Jessica Lewis

Prayers for Healing and Strength

Bob DeMaris
Gene Henke
Carol Affeldt
Loretta Folkerts

Julie Carver
Judy Wolff
Jack Boman

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