

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, June 30, 2024 – 9:00 AM

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated today. As a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we follow the historic Christian practice of closed communion. According to the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11, only those who share the same outward confession of faith join us at the altar. Members of other LC-MS congregations are welcome, but we ask that you please see the pastor before communing. If you arrive too late to do this before the service, please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service.

✠ *In Nomine Iesu* ✠

Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book 548
Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious

Divine Service Setting Four

Lutheran Service Book p. 203

The Introit

Psalm 121:5-8; antiphon vv. 1-2

The congregation chants the verses in **bold** print.

I lift up my eyes | to the hills.*

From where does my | help come?

My help comes | from the LORD,*
who made | heaven and earth.

The LORD is your | keeper;*

the LORD is your shade on your | right hand.

The sun shall not strike | you by day,*
nor the | moon by night.

The LORD will keep you from all | evil;*

He will | keep your life.

The LORD will keep your going out and your | coming in*
from this time forth and for- | evermore.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Kyrie

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Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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The Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end;

²³they are new every morning;

great is your faithfulness.

²⁴“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul,

“therefore I will hope in Him.”

²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for Him,

to the soul who seeks Him.

²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly

for the salvation of the LORD.

²⁷It is good for a man that he bear

the yoke in his youth.

²⁸Let him sit alone in silence

when it is laid on him;

²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust—

there may yet be hope;

³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,

and let him be filled with insults.

³¹For the Lord will not

cast off forever,

³²but, though He cause grief, He will have compassion

according to the abundance of His steadfast love;

³³for He does not willingly afflict

or grieve the children of men.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

¹We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ²for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³For they

gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own free will, ⁴begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

⁸I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. ⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich. . .

¹³I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness ¹⁴your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. ¹⁵As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia and Verse

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The Holy Gospel

Mark 5:21-43

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

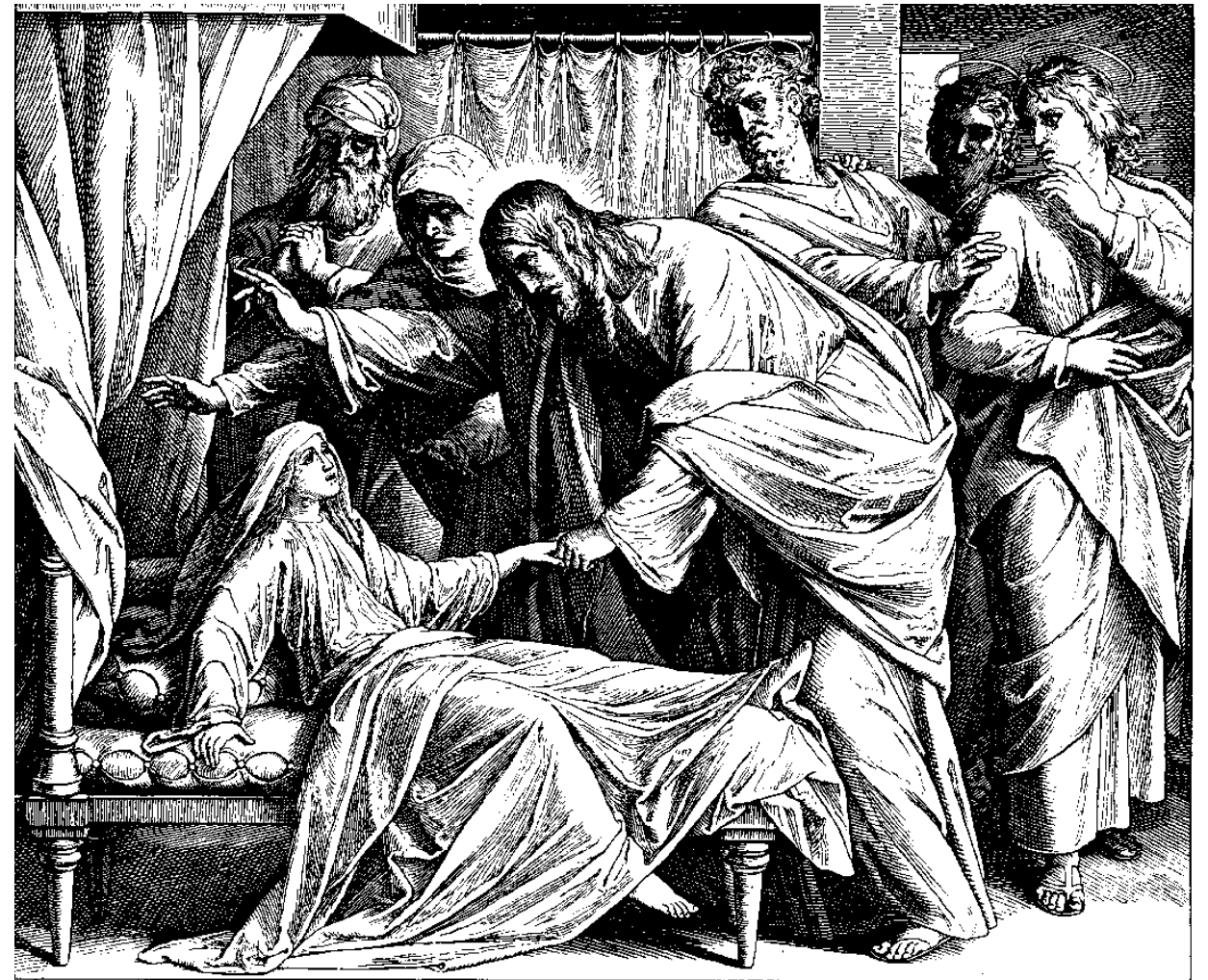
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about Him, and He was beside the sea. ²²Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing Him, he fell at His feet ²³and implored Him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” ²⁴And He went with him.

And a great crowd followed Him and thronged about Him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. ²⁸For she said, “If I touch even His garments, I will be made well.”

²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in Himself that power had gone out from Him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched My garments?”

³¹And His disciples said to Him, “You see the crowd pressing around You, and yet You say, ‘Who touched Me?’” ³²And He looked around to see who had done it. ³³But the



woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before Him and told Him the whole truth. ³⁴And He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

³⁵While He was still speaking, there came from the ruler’s house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” ³⁷And He allowed no one to follow Him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹And when He had entered, He said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” ⁴⁰And they laughed at Him. But He put them all outside and took the child’s father and mother and those who were with Him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹Taking her by the hand He said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³And He strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed p. 206

Hymn of the Day LSB 755
In the Very Midst of Life

The Sermon “Redeems both Body and Soul”
Text: Mark 5:21-43

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Announcements

Closing Hymn LSB 738
Lord of All Hopefulness

✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

Visitors, we welcome you. Please sign the guest book and introduce yourself to the Pastor. Also complete a blue attendance card located in the pews and put an X in the () if you will be communing with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Thursday	6/20/24	6:30 p.m.	32
Sunday	6/23/24	9:00 a.m.	111

FLOWERS are given by the Sievert family in thanksgiving to God for blessings received.

WE PRAY for Joe Ananias (nephew of Lori Bolger), Adriana Besaw (sister-in-law of Amos Besaw), Michael Borchardt, Sr., Janet Brown, Melissa Brunner (daughter of Estes Grober and niece of the Gerloffs), Jennifer Chapel (niece of Linda Christian), Karen Christiansen, Kevin Coerper, Anna Rose Consigny, Sandy Damms, Harriet Davidson, Cheryl Fisher (sister of Lynn Hester), Daut Gaba, Gerald Garske, Carol Georgson, Glenn Georgson, Randall Gray (brother of Linda Goetz), Elaine Howe, Paul Howe, Michelle Johnson, Patricia Kattner (aunt of Amanda McGraw, sister of Pam Coerper), Marilyn Kolter, May Lindenberg, Barbara Linder, Konnie Otto, Angeline Pence, Susan Sochowski (wife of Mark Sochowski), Sherri Syta, and Glen and Jeff Wolffersdorff (brothers of Donna Metzfeld).

***NEW* PRAYER LIST** Beginning in June, there will be a change in how the prayer list is managed. Names will be on the list for one month. At the end of the month, names will be removed if no change or updates are received by the church office.

THE LUTHERAN WOMEN’S MISSIONARY LEAGUE will collect mite boxes today, *Sunday*, June 30.

SCRIP Orders are due next Sunday, **July 7**. A Scrip order box, order forms, and envelopes are located in the narthex and church/school office. Place your order and check made out to Our Father’s in one of the boxes, *OR* you may order online with the Presto Pay Plan at www.shopwithscrip.com. The website has a list of participating retailers. ***Please note that the website name has changed to raiseright.com, but the shopwithscrip.com link will still get you to the correct page to view vendors or place your order.*** Call Linda Hojnacki with any questions at (414) 427-5949.

INSTALLATION The installation service for Rev. John Schober, as pastor of Risen Savior Lutheran Church, will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 14, 2024. All are invited to join in the reception that will follow the service.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS on **Sunday, July 28, 2024** for a Ministry Anniversary Recognition at the 9:00 am worship service. Rev. Mark Nuckols observes his 35 years of service in the ministry on June 25, and Rev. Karl Fabrizius observes his 40 years of service in the ministry on July 15. A reception with lunch will follow the worship service in the school gym to thank our faithful Shepherds for their years of leadership to our congregation and others. The Fellowship Committee will be looking for volunteers to help at the reception. We have received Thrivent funds to support this fellowship event. Sign-up sheets for attendance for planning purposes and requests for food donations are now in the Narthex. Contact LeAnn Lagerman 414-333-7994 or Linda Hojnacki 414-427-5949 with any questions. Thank you.

PART-TIME ART TEACHER NEEDED Our Father's is seeking a person to teach Art classes for Kindergarten through 8th grade, one day per week. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact Principal Cahill at 210-473-7109. If your desire is to teach more than one day per week, please also inquire.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS for the church and school will be Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. starting **June 3**.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE We just received the first proof of the directory from UCD. There are multiple issues which they need to correct. If these corrections are successfully made, it will only be another month or two before the long-awaited distribution. Continue to be patient with their work on our directory.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	6/30	DIVINE SERVICE	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	7/3	Morning Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
Thursday	7/4	NO DIVINE SERVICE	
Sunday	7/7	DIVINE SERVICE Scrip Due	9:00 a.m.

**THE CONGREGATION AT PRAYER
FOR THE WEEK OF
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

“Redeems both Body and Soul”
June 30 through July 6, 2024

Currently, the daily catechism readings are taken from the fifth chief part, Confession. Luther organized the catechism so that the last three parts are how God gives His gifts and accomplishes His purposes in us. First, there is Baptism by which He calls us to faith and daily raises us up to new life. Then, there is confession. Luther spoke of three kinds of confession: before God, before neighbor, and before the pastor. The first two are to go on daily and be a central part of the Christian home. The third is a great gift to troubled consciences and is the subject of the fifth chief part of Luther's catechism. The objective of private confession is to direct the troubled conscience to the pastor's word of absolution for it is not the pastor's word, but Christ's. The pastor asks the penitent if he believes the word of Christ before absolving him. Luther referred to this as Holy Absolution and regarded it as the third sacrament of the Church for it has the promise of Christ as its power. Luther also used private confession to hear what individuals believed and instruct them in the truth. Children were admitted to the Sacrament after they could recite the catechism which their parents taught them and made their first confession to the pastor. Luther had no desire to see the rite of confirmation continue in the church. Luther included an order for private confession in the catechism.

INVOCATION: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
AMEN.

THE CREED

VERSE: But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” **Mark 5:36**

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK: Heavenly Father, during His earthly ministry Your Son Jesus healed the sick and raised the dead. By the healing medicine of the Word and Sacraments pour into our hearts such love toward You that we may live eternally; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

PSALM OF THE WEEK: 30

PSALMODY PRAYER: Turn the mourning of Your saints into dancing, O Lord, and be merciful to all Your faithful people. Be merciful to me, restore me to life, and dress me in the robes of gladness as Your baptized child. **AMEN.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday	Acts 7:37-60
Tuesday	Acts 8:1-13
Wednesday	Acts 8:14-25
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40
Friday	Acts 9:1-9
Saturday	Mark 6:1-13

CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK: The Lord's Prayer

The Seventh Petition: But deliver us from evil.

What does this mean?

We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

The Conclusion: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

What does this mean?

This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means “yes, yes, it shall be so.”

Luther, Large Catechism, Third Commandment: The plain sense of this commandment, then, is that since we observe holidays in any case, we should use them for learning God's Word. For the sake of young people and the neglected masses, the ministry of the Word should be the special concern of this day. However, the observance of the day of rest should not be so narrowly restrictive that it forbids incidental and unavoidable work. If, then, someone asks the meaning of “Thou shalt sanctify the holy day,” then reply, “To sanctify the holy day means to keep it holy.” But what is “keeping it holy?” It is nothing else than to reserve it for holy words, holy works, and holy living. For the day as such requires no sanctifying for it was created holy in itself. But God wants it to be holy for you. It is through you that it becomes holy or unholy depending on whether what you do on that day is holy or unholy. How, then, is such sanctifying accomplished? Not by sitting cozily in a corner and avoiding hard work, nor by decking oneself with flower garlands and putting on one's best clothes, but, as stated, by our being occupied with God's Word and putting it into practice. Indeed, we Christians ought to observe an ongoing holy day and be totally involved with holy things, that is, daily occupy ourselves with God's Word, carrying it in our hearts and on our lips. But because not everyone has the time and leisure for this, we must, as was pointed out, use several hours during the week for the young and at least one day of the week for the whole community, solely in order to focus on these things, especially on the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer. In that way, our entire life and being will be under the direction of God's Word.

Be the time slot what it may, wherever there are such activities and exercises, there a true holy day is kept. Wherever these are lacking, it cannot be called a Christian holy day. . . . The treasure that sanctifies all things is the Word of God, by which the saints themselves were all sanctified. In whatever hour one uses, preaches, hears, reads, or thinks about God’s Word, it sanctifies the person, his day, and his work, not because of the external act, but because of the Word that makes saints of us all. Therefore, I keep repeating that if our life and labor are to be God-pleasing or holy, they must be conducted in the light of the Word of God. Where that happens, there the Third Commandment is being observed according to its full intent. . . . So much depends on God’s Word that without it no holy day is sanctified. We should, therefore, realize that God wants this commandment to be strictly kept and will punish all who despise God’s Word and do not want to hear or learn it, especially at the times set aside for it. (LC, 26-28, St. Louis: Concordia, 1978)

PRAYER: Each day a different aspect of Christian life is covered.

Monday	Our Baptism, calling, and daily work
Tuesday	Deliverance from sin and temptation
Wednesday	Marriage, family, and schools
Thursday	The Lord’s Supper, the Church, and Her Pastors
Friday	The Preaching of the Cross, the persecuted, and missions
Saturday	True repentance and restoration of the withering
Sunday	The Hope of the resurrection and faithfulness to the Word

THE LORD’S PRAYER

LUTHER’S MORNING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

OR

LUTHER’S EVENING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

HYMN OF THE WEEK: *LSB 755 “In the Very Midst of Life” (stanza 1)*

LOOKING FORWARD TO THE WEEK OF THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

“The Wisdom Given to Him”
July 7, 2024

HYMNS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 856, 839, 690, 498, 840, 620, 853

READINGS

Ezekiel 2:1-5
2 Corinthians 12:1-10
Mark 6:1-13

People like to say that God works in mysterious ways, but they often want to overlook the real mysteries of God. The people of Jesus' own country are like this. They saw him as a carpenter, the Son of Mary. They did not see Him as the Sabbath who came to build up the household of the Church, laying Himself down as the chief Cornerstone. Yet, God always comes in humble means, whether that be in the flesh, in the waters of baptism, in the bread and wine of the Holy Supper, or through the mouth of the man ordained as your pastor. God only comes in glory to judge the living and the dead. All of this requires faith in the Word of God. The people did not recognize Jesus because they did not hear and believe the Words of the Old Testament Scriptures. Jesus preached on the Scriptures and did what they said of Him, but those who did not have ears to hear did not have eyes to see. As Jesus was without honor, so the pastor who returns to his home town or remains in one place a long time may be without honor. Do not forget that your pastor is the mouthpiece for God. Do not call him by his first name, but by his title, pastor, to honor him as God's servant in your midst. The reading from Ezekiel speaks of the rebellion of Israel against the prophet, but the Word of God always validates the word of the faithful prophet. One does not identify a faithful pastor by his friendliness or the harmony in his congregation, The Word of God is the only standard to be used. Paul reminds the pastor that real strength is in the recognition of his own weakness and Christ's grace.



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