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5th Sunday of Pentecost

The Good Samaritan

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Divine Service 4



Pre-Service Announcements Servant Processional

As We Gather

In today's Gospel, the man who fell among thieves in the parable of the Good Samaritan did nothing, but he was helped, nonetheless. That's how our Lord, our own Good Samaritan, wants to treat us. The commands in the Old Testament Reading are how to pass on His love to all whom we meet. And the prayer in the Epistle asks no more than that God continue to do what He accomplished through our Lord Jesus. Without our doing anything, He has "transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son" (Colossians 1:13). Our worship today is time to remember to do nothing except live the life God has so graciously bestowed on us.

Participant Commissioning Service



P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

PFriends in Christ, you are about to begin a journey – one that will gather you with 20,000 fellow believers in New Orleans, Louisiana, to explore what it means to ENDURE in faith as Jesus did for us. You go as followers of Jesus, gathered in worship, learning, and service. These coming days will stretch and grow you as you celebrate your identity in Christ and explore what in means to run with endurance the race set before you. At the Gathering, you will learn that the race of faith isn't always easy. Life can be exhausting, complicated, and confusing. But you do not run alone – God has given you a great cloud of witnesses and the presence of His Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide you.

All: Let us run with endurance the race set before us.

PYou will hear again and again: your worth is not in what you do or how strong you feel, but in the One who endured the cross for you. Jesus is the author and perfecter of your faith.

All: Let us run with endurance the race set before us.

We are all sinful, and that sin clings closely to us. Remind us that Jesus endured the cross, died, and rose again so that in repentance, we can throw sin off in His forgiveness.

All: Let us run with endurance the race set before us.

- You'll be reminded that endurance doesn't come from your own strength. It comes from fixing your eyes on Jesus, who never gives up – even when it cost Him everything. At the Gathering, you'll experience the beauty of Christ's Church gathered to worship, study, and serve as one body.
- As you go will you encourage and challenge one another, represent Christ and our congregation with grace, and with open hearts to listen to all God will teach you?

All: Yes, with the help of God.

- P To our Adult Leaders, Your guidance is a blessing. You've supported, taught, and cared for these young people. In Christian love, you are asked to listen, give wise counsel, and remind them of their identity in Christ. We pray you will also grow in your understanding of the faith and of your joy in sharing with others. As you walk with them at the Gathering, will you continue to nurture their faith, celebrate with them, and point them to Jesus in every moment? Adults: Yes, with the help of God.
- Dear congregation, our church family – your support has brought this group to this point. Will you continue to lift them up in prayer, asking God to fill them with endurance, wisdom, and

joy? If so, answer: Yes, with the help of God.

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Congregation: Yes, with the help of God.

- PLet us pray. Gracious Father, You have called these youth and adults by name and made them Your own in Baptism. As they travel to New Orleans, bless their journey, guard their hearts, and strengthen them in their identity in You. When they grow weary, lift their eyes to Jesus. When they are overwhelmed, surround them with Your peace. When they sin and make mistakes, offer Your forgiveness. When they celebrate, let their joy overflow from hearts grounded in the love of You. Let them return with stories of Your faithfulness and with heats renewed for service. We entrust them to You confident that You will carry on to completion the good work begun in them through Jesus Christ, our Lord. All: Amen.
- May God bless you with open eyes, listening hearts, and enduring faith. Go in the name of the God who calls us to ENDURE: the Father who created us, the Son who endured the cross for us, and the Holy Spirit who strengthens us to run the race.
- All: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation: 794 The Lord, My God, Be Praised

 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heaven; My maker, who to me Has soul and body given; My Father, who will shield And keep me day by day And make each moment yield New blessings on my way.

2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heaven, The Father's own dear Son, Whose life for me was given, Who for my sin atoned With His most precious blood And gives to me by faith The highest heav'nly good.

3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heaven, The Spirit, whom the Son In love to me has given.
His grace revives my heart And gives my spirit pow'r, Help, comfort, and support In sorrow's gloomy hour.

 △4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ever-living, To whom the heav'nly host Their laud and praise are giving.
 The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast, God Father, God the Son, And God the Holy Ghost.
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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 203

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- G who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel / Stand

Confession of Sins LSB 203

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Prayer for Forgiveness

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

It is he who remembered us in our low estate,

for his steadfast love endures forever;

- P and rescued us from our foes, for his steadfast love endures forever;
- C he who gives food to all flesh, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his steadfast love endures forever.

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.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Kyrie

LSB 204

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

- I To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.
 - 2 To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—
 - 3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.

Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 18:1–5

Unlawful Sexual Relations

¹And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²"Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the LORD your God. ³You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes. ⁴You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God. ⁵You shall therefore keep my statutes

and my rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Psalm

O LORD, Be Gracious to Me

L¹Blessèd is the one who considers the poor!

In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;

2 the LORD protects him and keeps him alive;

he is called blessèd in the land; you do not give him up to the will of his enemies.

L ³The LORD sustains him on his sickbed;

in his illness you restore him to full health.

- G ⁴As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you!"
- I ⁵My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die and his name perish?"
- And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.

I ⁷All who hate me whisper together about me;

they imagine the worst for me.

- They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies."
- L⁹Even my close friend in whom I trusted,

who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

I¹⁰But you, O LORD, be gracious to me,

and raise me up, that I may repay them!

L¹¹By this I know that you delight in me:

my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.

I²But you have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in your presence forever.

L¹³Blessèd be the LORD, the God of Israel,

from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.

Epistle Colossians 1:1–14

Greeting

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

²To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

Thanksgiving and Prayer

³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, 4since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, "which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, ⁷just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁸and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and

transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

L This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

- Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 10:25–37

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵Behold, a lawyer stood up to put [Jesus] to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
 C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

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 thence 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. Sit **Kids Sermon: Are You a Good** Luke 10:25-37 Samaritan Hymn of the Day: 842 Son of God **Eternal Savior** Son of God, eternal Savior, 1 Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among US Hallows all our human race,

You our Head, who, throned in glory, For Your own will ever plead: Fill us with Your love and pity, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.

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As You, Lord, have lived for others, 2 So may we for others live.

Freely have Your gifts been granted; Freely may Your servants give. Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stewards of Your bounty Held in solemn trust will be.

Come, O Christ, and reign among us, 3 King of love and Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and passion, Bid its cruel discords cease. By Your patient years of toiling, By Your silent hours of pain, Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure, Stem our selfish greed of gain.

Son of God, eternal Savior, 4 Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among US

Hallows all our human race: By Your praying, by Your willing That Your people should be one, Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: Here on earth Your will be done. Text: Somerset T. C. Lowry, 1855–1932, alt. Text: Public domain

Sermon: The Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37

Stand

Prayer of the Church Prayer Response P....Lord in your mercy C hear our prayer

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22– 24; Eph. 4:1–3). Sit

Offering

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.

Sit

Representative of Trinity LWML share their experience at the National Convention.

Stand

Benedicamus

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P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

¹⁸ Benediction

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 peace.

Hymn to Depart: 922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Go, My children, with My blessing, 1 Never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own. In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever. Go, My children, with My blessing-You are My own. Go, My children, sins forgiven, 2 At peace and pure. Here you learned how much I love YOU, What I can cure. Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory. Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure. Go, My children, fed and nourished, 3 Closer to Me; Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free. Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you. Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free. I the Lord will bless and keep you 4

And give you peace;

I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace: I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother. Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace. Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1919–2008 Text: © 1983 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110002688

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS: Starting on Tuesday, October 2 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

and every Tuesday thereafter, we will be offering a ten-week Adult Confirmation Class, entitled "Fit For Life." Booklet material will be provided as we explore what it means to be a Lutheran Christian. This class is designed for those adults who want to become Lutheran, but it is also open to those members who wish to review and rediscover the tenets of their faith. A sign-up sheet will be provided. In the meantime, please feel free to talk to Pastor Ken about this class!

WORSHIP SERVANTS July 13, 2025

Acolyte: Michael Groeller Elders: Bill Hertel and Bob Brumm Pastor: Pastor Kenneth Huner Organist: Linda Freeman Special Music: Altar: Barb Yek and Lois Brumm Counting: Dan and Joanna Krueger Ushers: Dan and Joanna Krueger Greeters: Ben Ratliff and Daniel Eppler

MINISTRY CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun Jul 13
9 am – Adult Bible Study -- Ephesians: Grace-Filled messages
9 am – Children's Sunday School
10 am – Pentecost 5, Divine Worship

Mon July 14

Tues Jul 15

10 am – Bible Study-- Finding Comfort In The Psalms 11 am - Prayer Warriors 7 pm –Bible Study @ Myhers

Wed Jul 16

Thur Jul 17

10:30 am – Christian Art class with Pam 7 pm -- Council

Fri Jul 18

12 – 8 pm Food Truck Friday volunteers needed

Sat Jul 19

Sun Jul 20

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w/communion

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