

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 7, 2024

IN THE NAME OF JESUS, WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!



THE ENTRANCE RITE

PRELUDE

*Lord of All Hopefulness*  
Setting: Steven Wentz

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN

*Lord of All Hopefulness*

LSB 738

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, Your arms to embrace:  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB 203

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

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**who made heaven and earth.**

If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

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.

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

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.  
**Amen.**

*KYRIE*

LSB 204

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

*HYMN OF PRAISE - "Gloria in Excelsis"*

LSB 204

**1 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.**

*THE PRAYER OF THE DAY*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God,

**Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



*THE LITURGY OF THE WORD*

*FIRST LESSON (Be seated)*

Ezekiel 2:1-5

He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you." And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. And he said to me, "Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*PSALM 123 (Sung responsively)*

To you I lift up my eyes,  
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!  
Behold, as the eyes of servants  
look to the hand of their master,  
as the eyes of a maidservant  
to the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes look to the LORD our God,  
till he has mercy upon us.  
Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt.  
Our soul has had more than enough  
of the scorn of those who are at ease,  
of the contempt of the proud.

*SECOND LESSON*

2 Corinthians 12:1-10

I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*CHILDREN'S SERMON*

*ALLELUIA VERSE (Stand)*

LSB 205

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*GOSPEL*

Mark 6:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to You, O Lord.**

[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

*SERMON (Be seated)*

- 1 I am content! My Jesus ever lives,  
In whom my heart is pleased.  
He has fulfilled the Law of God for me,  
God's wrath He has appeased.  
Since He in death could perish never,  
I also shall not die forever.  
I am content!  
I am content!
  
- 2 I am content! My Jesus is my head;  
His member I shall be.  
He bowed His head when on the cross He died  
With cries of agony.  
Now death is brought into subjection  
For me by Jesus' resurrection.  
I am content!  
I am content!
  
- 3 I am content! My Jesus is my light,  
My radiant sun of grace.  
His cheering rays beam blessings forth for all,  
Sweet comfort, hope, and peace.  
This Easter sun has brought salvation  
And everlasting exultation.  
I am content!  
I am content!
  
- 4 I am content! At length I shall be free,  
Awakened from the dead,  
Arising glorious evermore to be  
With You, my living head.  
The chains that hold my body, sever;  
Then shall my soul rejoice forever.  
I am content!  
I am content!

**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 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.**

### OFFERING

*Offerings support the church's mission work – both here and through our many partners. Offerings may be placed in the box at the sanctuary entrance or sent to the church through our website or the mail. Fellowship Cards help us welcome new people and track participation. Please fill one out and place it in the offering box following the service.*

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

We bless You, Lord, for You have heard the voice of our pleas for mercy and sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, our strength and shield. According to your abundant grace, save Your people and bless Your heritage forever. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Send laborers into Your harvest, Lord. Raise up new workers who are devoted to Your Word and to the task of spreading the Gospel. And provide for those who are serving

in your church now, that neither the preaching nor the care of Your people may fall into neglect, and that people may know that prophets are among them. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, You have revealed Your righteousness in the sight of the nations: Christ Jesus, Your holy arm. And by His death and resurrection You have worked our salvation. Continue to bless the efforts of our congregational ministries, and especially our Vacation Bible School which will be held this week. Strengthen its leaders, teach and encourage the children, and send your blessings of safety, joy and grace as we gather in your Son's name. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, speak to the hearts of Your people in every home. Turn parents and children toward each other in love and patience. Banish the spirit of stubbornness and rebellion. And sanctify us all in Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, protect and defend our nation from its enemies. Support our leaders and preserve them from temptation. And through the work of all civil authorities help us to live quiet and peaceable lives according to Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, you turn our weakness into strength for the sake of Christ and provide us grace sufficient for every need. Give comfort to all who suffer, especially those whose pain is chronic, whose suffering is unknown, who wrestle with difficult thorns in body or mind, or who are tempted to despair. Intercede on behalf of those on our prayer list, as well as those whom we name in our hearts... In times of weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions and calamities, let us boast in Christ and His cross, by which we and our sufferings are sanctified. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, out of Your abundant blessing You satisfy us with Christ, the bread of life. Give repentance and faith to all who commune this day, that finding refuge in Your Son's true body and blood, we may taste and see that You are good. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever. **Amen.**



- 1 Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
And fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
That we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all;  
Unite them with the prayers we offer now.  
Grace our table with Your presence, and give us  
A foretaste of the feast to come.**

*SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT*

*PREFACE through AGNUS DEI (Stand)*

LSB 208-210

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;  
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.  
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;  
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING*

*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*

*PAX DOMINI*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**Amen.**

*AGNUS DEI*

**1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world away;  
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

**THE COMMUNION** *(Be seated)*

*Those wishing to commune at the foot of the steps should come forward first. Those wishing to commune at the altar rail should come forward after these, front rows first, from both sides of the aisle. After receiving, all should return to their seats. A common dismissal will be given at the end.*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN**      *As Rebels Lord, Who Foolishly Have Wandered*      LSB 612

- 1**    **As rebels, Lord, who foolishly have wandered  
Far from Your love—unfed, unclean, unclothed—  
Dare we recall Your wealth so rashly squandered,  
Dare hope to glean that bounty which we loathed?**
- 2**    **Still we return, our contrite words rehearsing,  
Speech, that within Your warm embrace soon dies;  
All of our guilt, our shame, our pain reversing  
As tears of joy and welcome fill Your eyes.**
- 3**    **A feast of love for us You are preparing;  
We who were lost, You give an honored place!  
“Come, eat; come, drink, and be no more despairing—  
Here taste again the treasures of My grace.”**

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

LSB 211

- 1** **O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in heav’nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory  
Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles  
Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people,  
Your chosen Israel.**
- 2** **All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God’s triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.**

*PRAYER (Stand)*

*BENEDICTION*

*SENDING HYMN*

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

LSB 643

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing,  
Our true faith confessing,  
The people of God from His dwelling take leave.  
The Supper is ended.  
O now be extended  
The fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of His teaching,  
Receptive souls reaching,  
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
His grace did invite us,  
His love shall unite us  
To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.**
  
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving  
To God ever-living,  
The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing,  
In love ever caring,  
Embracing His children of each tribe and race.  
With Your feast You feed us,  
With Your light now lead us;  
Unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living  
With praise and thanksgiving  
Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.**

*ANNOUNCEMENTS*

*DISMISSAL*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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