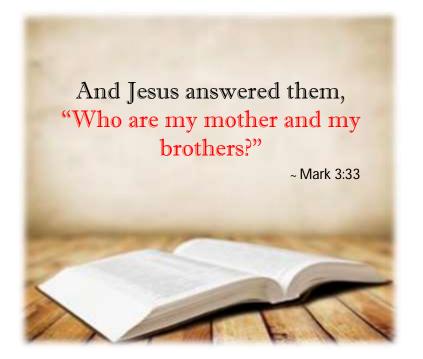
The Third Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday – June 9, 2024 – 9:30 a.m. Worship (In-Person & Live -Streamed)



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Call to Worship

Greeting

Opening Hymn #790 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" 1 Chronicles 16:23-26 {1} King of 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al might - y, the cre -2 Praise to Lord, who o'er all things won - drous - ly the is 3 Praise to Lord, who has the fear - ful ly, won - drous - ly, 4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -5 Praise to the Lord! 0 let all that me is in а ø • tion! 0 soul, praise Him, for He is а my your reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea gle, up Health has be stowed and, when heed - less - ly made you, -Sure mer - cy shall fend you; ly His good ness and dore Him! All that has life and breath, come now with health and sal - va tion! Let all who hear Now to His lift ing, sus - tain ing. Have you not seen All that is fall -What need Ev er has ing, has stayed you. or grief dai ly at - tend you. Pon - der new What the Al-a prais be - fore Him! Let the A - men Sound from His es tem - ple draw near, Join ing in glad ad -0 - ra tion! gra - cious need - ful has been Sent by His or - dain ing? failed of re lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you. might - y with do As His love He be - friends can you. peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore Him! Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–80; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, alt. Tune: Ander Theil Des Erneuerten Gesang-Buchs, 1665, Stralsund Text and tune: Public domain

Please Stand

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

Invocation

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Exhortation

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

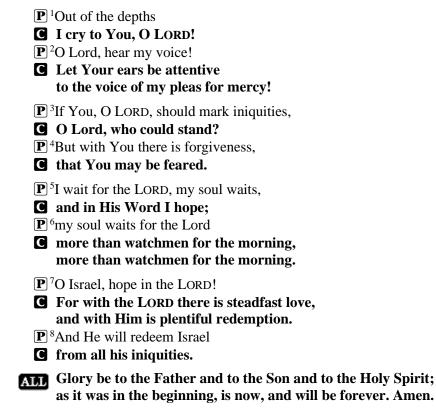
Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

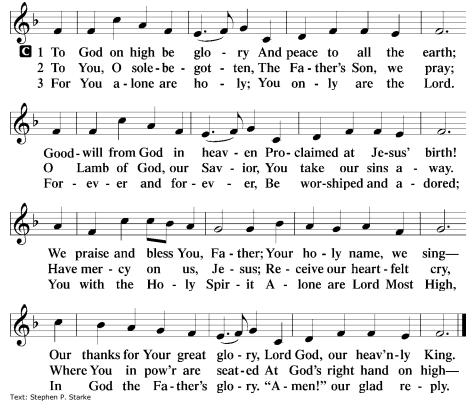
† Service of the Word †

Responsive Reading: Psalm 130





Gloria in Excelsis



Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Please Be Seated

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

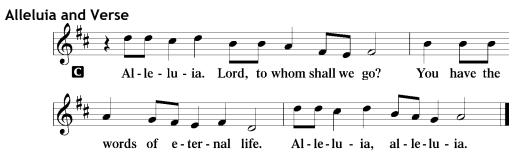
¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand



Holy Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁰Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." ²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— ³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

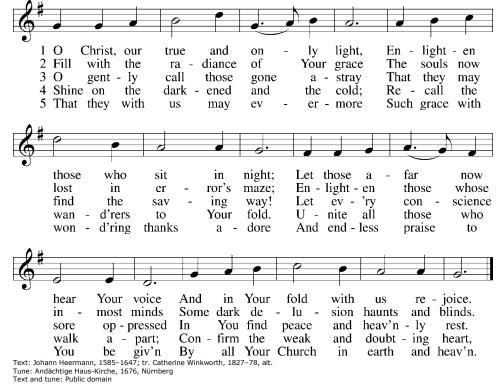
³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." ³³And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please Be Seated

Sermon Hymn #839 "O Christ, Our True and Only Light"



Sermon "Who Is My Family?: Our Lord and His Church in the World"

TEXT: Mark 3:20-35

Please Stand

Apostles' Creed

C 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. Offerings are brought to the LORD's altar as we sing:



Please Be Seated

Prayer of the Church

Responses:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Final Petition:

P Hear us Father for we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord; the Lamb of God Who calls us His family and has taught us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

С

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.

Benediction

P 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.



Sending Hymn #922 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

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