

# AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 30, 2024

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

WOV #725 "Blessed Be the God of Israel"

GREETING

*L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Congregation: And also with you.*

*L: You are the treasured people of the Lord,*

**C: a people holy to the Lord our God.**

*L: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.*

**C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.**

*L: One does not live by bread alone,*

**C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

CANTICLE (pg. 47 WOV)

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**Great and wonderful are your deeds, O God of the universe; just and true are your ways, O Ruler of all the nations. Who can fail to honor you, Lord, and sing the glory of your name?**

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**For you alone are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and worship before you, for your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

SALUTATION

*L: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. L: Let us pray.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C: O God, you have prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON: Lamentations 3:22-33

Pew Bible pg. 862

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 30

*P: I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.*

**C: O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.**

*P: You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.*

**C: Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**

*P: For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favor for a lifetime.*

**C: Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.**

*P: While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."*

**C: Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.**

*P: I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with the Lord, saying,*

**C: "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"**

*P: Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper."*

**C: You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.**

*P: Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.*

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

Pew Bible pg. 1212

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord.* **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 48 WOV)

(Please rise as you are able)

**C: Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you! Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures. Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!**

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 5:21-43

*(Before reading) L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.*

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

*(After reading) L: The Gospel of the Lord.* **C: Praise to you, O Christ.** (Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Sean O'Donnell

HYMN OF THE DAY

WOV #771 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  
(Please rise as you are able)

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*L: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.*

**C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

*L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.*

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

*L: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; C: pray in the Holy Spirit.*

*L: Keep yourselves in the love of God*

**C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:*

**C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

*L: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.*

#### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*L: Gracious God,* **C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*L: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.*

**C: Amen**

#### SHARING OF THE PEACE

*L: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.* **C: And also with you.**

#### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY (Please rise) Congregation Sings: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

*L: Let us pray. God, our Creator,* **C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*L: Lord, in Your mercy,* **C: hear our prayer.**

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### BLESSING

*L: Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.* **C: Amen**

#### SENDING HYMN

**LBW #260 "On Our Way Rejoicing"**

#### DISMISSAL

*L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.* **C: Thanks be to God.**

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE

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*Jesus, I come to worship with concerns and distractions.  
Take them and replace them with your easy yoke (Matthew 11:29-30). Amen.*

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**NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Rich Friemel    Steen Bjerre    Family of Ron Stonestreet

**CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Maddy & Leah Graves	Debbi Dietz	Carla Adkins	Kim Wyre
Jessica Hawn	Loretta Overholt	Jennifer Birkey	Earl Smith
Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser	Denny Doyle
William Benton	Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen
Mary Mallicoat	Bob & Jenny Hobby	Nick Shepherd	Joyce Keith
Bob Selby	Michael Markarian	Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival
Joyce Williamson			

**NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:**

Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Shorty Baugher	LouAnn Baugher
Mildred Flessner	Ruth Lutz	Ilene Ackerman	Genet Dixon
Janet Withers	Joan Mathis		

**MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):**

Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod	Kasey Fenimore
Brian Griswold	Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti	Riley Falletti

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<b>TABLE GUILD</b>	Sally Bauer, Midge Seim
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Connor Suits, Logan Suits
<b>BULLETIN GREETERS</b>	Joan Cleary, Emily Deal
<b>GREETERS</b>	Jim & Pam Cheek
<b>LECTOR</b>	DeAnn McMorris
<b>PRAYER LEADER</b>	Justin Kaiser
<b>WORSHIP STEWARD</b>	Lloyd Schluter
<b>USHERS</b>	Nikky Flesner, Tom & Mary Edwards

**WELCOME** “The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies ... are new every morning” (Lamentations 3:22-23, NRSV). Let us worship our ever-faithful God.

**FLOWERS TODAY** are provided by *Scott & Tina James* in celebration of their 34<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE** will NOT be held this Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. They will resume meeting next Wednesday evening for the call of a pastor at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. This time of prayer is devoted to all aspects related to the call of a pastor - praying for our call committee, congregation, Mission District Dean, the pastor (& family) to be called, and any other related needs as the call process continues. A time of fellowship with a light meal begins at 5:45 p.m. prior to the prayer service. All are invited and welcome to attend!

**CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed this Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Independence Day.

**50+ POTLUCK** will be held next Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. in the ALC Youth Hall. Please bring a dish to share and come and enjoy this time of food and fellowship.

**LEMONADE STAND** The ALC Summer Camp kids are having a lemonade stand each Friday afternoon during summer camp from 2:00-4:00 p.m. (weather permitting). If you are in the area during those times, please come by for a refreshing cup of lemonade. Proceeds will be going to the Humane Society.

**HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY** is a service provided to our ALC shut in members. We visit the homebound and serve them communion once a month. Our members include Terry Doyle, Tom & Mary Edwards and Rich & Shirley Friemel. For more information or comments please contact one of the members.

**USHERS NEEDED** We are still in need of more ushers! Please consider helping if you can! Call Shirley Friemel at 217-766-4111 to volunteer or with any questions.

**SHEETS NEEDED** The Quilting group is still in need of cotton sheets (flat only). These are used for liners in the quilts. Donations may be brought to the church office.

**FUNERAL MEALS** We are still collecting names of those who would like to be on the list of people that are called to provide salads and desserts for funeral meals. Please call Nikki in the church office if you would like your name added to our list.

**ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 94

**JULY PULPIT SCHEDULE**

July 7<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jim Lehmann (Communion)  
July 14<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jay Johnson (Communion)  
July 21<sup>st</sup> – Deanne Rosenbeck  
July 28<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Carl Rasmussen (Communion)

**BROADCAST/FLOWER CHART** If you would like to sponsor the weekly radio broadcast on WPXN, the cost is \$50. To provide flowers for Sunday, the cost is \$25. Please sign up on the appropriate chart outside the Narthex then notify the church office the details to print in the bulletin prior to that date.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (July-September) are available to pick-up in the Narthex and in the entryway outside of the church office.

**PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT FORMS** are located on the bulletin board outside the Narthex. Please call the preschool office at 217-893-8773 with any questions.

**NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Ezekiel 2:1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Mark 6:1-13

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**THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, June 30**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

**Monday, July 1**

12:30 p.m. Quilting

**Tuesday, July 2**

6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

**Wednesday, July 3**

5:45 p.m. NO Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. NO Prayer Service

**Thursday, July 4** OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 a.m. NO Bible Study

**Friday, July 5** OFFICE CLOSED

2:00 p.m. NO Lemonade Stand

**Sunday, July 7**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

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**Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings  
at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM**

## **Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

June 30, 2024 – July 6, 2024

*Prayer: Holy God, Mighty Lord, Heavenly Father, you who are our Creator and Redeemer, you have formed us into a new company of priests to bear witness to the Gospel. Strengthen us to be faithful to our calling to make known your promises to all the world; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen*

### **Daily Lessons:**

Sunday	Judges 11:1-40	Psalm 40	Luke 20:1-8
Monday	Judges 12:1-13:25	Psalm 41	Luke 20:9-18
Tuesday	Judges 14:1-20	Psalm 42	Luke 20:19-26
Wednesday	Judges 15:1-20	Psalm 43	Luke 20:27-40
Thursday	Judges 16:1-31	Psalm 44	Luke 20:41-47
Friday	Judges 17:1-18:31	Psalm 45	Luke 21:1-9
Saturday	Judges 19:1-30	Psalm 46	Luke 21:10-28

**Morning Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

**Mid-Day Prayer** Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

**Evening Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen