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**6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2020**

Prelude

Apostolic Greeting:

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

The Gathering Song: ***Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty*** **LBW # 250**

*1. Open now thy gates of beauty, Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty Waits for God who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place, Filled with solace, light, and grace!*

*2. Gracious God, I come before thee; Come thou also unto me;
Where we find thee and adore thee, There a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart, oh, enter thou, Let it be thy temple now!*

*3. Here thy praise is gladly chanted, Here thy seed is duly sown;
Let my soul, where it is planted, Bring forth precious sheaves alone,
So that all I hear may be Fruitful unto life in me.*

*4. Thou my faith increase and quicken, Let me keep thy gift divine;
How so e'er temptations thicken, May thy Word still o'er me shine
As my guiding star through life, As my comfort in all strife.*

*5. Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, Let thy will be done indeed;
May I undisturbed draw near thee While thou dost thy people feed.
Here of life the fountain flows; Here is balm for all our woes.*

Opening Dialogue:

P: Holy is the Lord, the Almighty. **C: He was, he is, and he is to come.**

P: He is worthy of glory and honor and power.

C: He created all things. By his will they came to be.

P: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain;

C: worthy to take the scroll and break its seals.

P: By his blood he purchased for God

C: people of every race and tongue, of every folk and nation.

P: Christ made of them a kingdom **C: and priests to serve our God.**

P: And they shall reign on earth forever. **C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. 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**

Old Testament Canticle #14: ***Listen! You Nations***

*Refrain: Listen! You nations of the world: listen to the Word of the Lord.
Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands*

*1. The Lord who scattered Israel will gather his people again;
and he will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flocks. (Refrain)*

*2. With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy,
for the Lord is so gen'rous to them; he showers his people with gifts. (Refrain)*

*3. Young women will dance for joy, and men young and old will make merry.
Like a garden refreshed by the rain, they will never be in want again.*

*Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again!
Teach nations to sing the song: "The Lord has saved his people!"*

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

Prayer of the Day: **Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Isaiah 55:10-13

Psalm 65: [1-8] 9-13(read by Pastor Weeg)

The Second Lesson: Romans 8:1-11

The Gospel Acclamation: **Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

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Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Sermon

Sermon Hymn:

I Love to Tell the Story

LBW # 390

*1. I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, Of Jesus and his love.*

*I love to tell the story, Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings As nothing else would do. (Refrain)*

*Refrain: I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story Of Jesus and his love.*

*2. I love to tell the story; How pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet!*

*I love to tell the story, For some have never heard
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word. (Refrain)*

*3. I love to tell the story, For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.*

*And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song.
I'll sing the old, old story That I have loved so long. (Refrain)*

The Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Announcements

The Closing Hymn:

On Our Way Rejoicing

LBW # 260

1. On our way rejoicing Gladly let us go.

Christ our Lord has conquered; Vanquished is the foe.

*Christ without, our safety; Christ within, our joy;
Who, if we be faithful, Can our hope destroy? (Refrain)*

*Refrain: On our way rejoicing: As we forward move.
Hearken to our praises, O blest God of love!*

*2. Unto God the Father Joyful songs we sing;
Unto God the Savior Thankful hearts we bring;
Unto God the Spirit Bow we and adore,
On our way rejoicing Now and evermore. (Refrain)*

Chimes and Postlude

Welcome... in the name of Jesus. May our time together be blessed and may we become blessings to one other.

Thank you... to Pastor Paul Weeg, for leading our worship service this morning. We are grateful for his time and ministry.

PZ is on vacation... and will return to the office on Friday, July 17th. Due to the continued issue with Covid-19 in the South of the country, travel plans changed and she will not leave the State. You will be able to reach her for emergencies on her cell phone. Sharon will be in the office (Mon-Thurs 8-12 and 1-3; Friday 9-12, if needed).

Congratulations... to Carol Koschmeder, who will turn 90 on July 14th. Please call her at 641-748-2732 (anytime!) or send a card to PO Box 20 Grafton, IA 50440 and help her to celebrate this milestone.

Y & E Meeting... will be on Wednesday, July 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

