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> Sunday, June 13, 2021 The 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Prelude Tower Bells and Welcome Announcements

Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the "Welcome" side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate.

Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Bright and Morning Star

LSB 872

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

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? C: 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, 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.

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

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.** Introit Psalm 34:11-22

11 Come, O children, listen to me;
I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
12 What man is there who desires life
and loves many days, that he may see good?
13 Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
14 Turn away from evil and do good;
seek peace and pursue it.
15 The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous
and his ears toward their cry.
16 The face of the LORD is against those who do evil,
to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

17 When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears

and delivers them out of all their troubles.
18 The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.
19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.
20 He keeps all his bones;
not one of them is broken.
21 Affliction will slay the wicked,
and those who hate the righteous will be
condemned.
22 The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be
condemned.

Kyrie

C: (*sing*) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day P: The Lord be with you.

LSB 204

LSB 204

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.

LSB 205 C: And also with you. All: O Lord, since You never fail to help and govern those whom You nurture in Your steadfast fear and love, work in us a perpetual fear and love of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Proverbs 9:1-10 1 Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. 2 She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table. 3 She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, 4 "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, 5 "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. 6 Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight." 7 Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. 8 Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. 9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning. 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

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

Epistle

Ephesians 2:13-22

13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, 16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. 17 And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. 22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

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

C: (*sing*) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 14:15-24 P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter. C: Glory to You, O Lord.

15 When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" 16 But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. 17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' 18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' 19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' 20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' 21 So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.' 22 And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' 23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.'"

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

Apostles' Creed (Inside back hymnal cover) LSB 207

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 686

Sermon "God Does Not Want Us to Miss the Call to Heaven"

Offering Brought Forward

Hymn

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the Holy Spirit, that we may receive with thanksgiving the Word, which calls us to God's great banquet; and that our hearts would be enlivened so that we hear the Word with faith and prepare ourselves rightly for God's kingdom, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, that God would send forth His servants to all corners of the earth, filling His eternal banquet hall; that He would keep His ministers steadfast to preach the blessed invitation of the Gospel; and that all hungry, weary sinners may find righteousness in Jesus Christ, who has made everything ready by His death and resurrection, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For all who serve in the high duty of father or mother, together with all who guard and rear children, that they may be enriched in word and deed with the blessings of Christ, the certainty of His mercy for sinners and the primacy of the Means of Grace, which create, strengthen and preserve faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our nation and its leaders, especially our president, and our governor, that God would uphold us in peace and enable our leaders, lawmakers and judges to govern according to His will and the order of creation, knowing that all authority under heaven comes from Him, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord**, **have mercy.**

For all workers in agriculture, manufacturing, construction, retail, transportation, education, science and the arts; that the Lord would give safety in every vocation and success in the labors, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord**, **have mercy**.

For the sick and lonely, those who mourn and all who are in any need, [especially ______,] that the Lord would turn us to Himself in faith to find every need satisfied in His gracious favor, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. Please contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.

Lord's Prayer LSB 209 Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212

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

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. **C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LSB 793

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude and Depart in His Peace

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Announcements

Mission Festival Sunday June 20th. Guest preacher, Professor Naomichi Masaki from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. All funds will go to support Pastor Rockrohr and Prof. Masaki's trip to Ghana in August.

Vacation Bible School July 11-15 6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. How can I help? 1) Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide our VBS team as we continue to make plans 2) Invite grandchildren, nieces, nephews or neighbors – and their parents, this is a family Bible school. There are registration forms in the church office, we would like to have a good count by June 13 so that items can be ordered – however, we will welcome people to register after that date. 3) volunteer – many hands make light work 4) donate: ribbon – any color, ½ - 1 inch wide, tissue paper – all colors [stay tuned for future needs]

Sermon Notes: "God Does Not Want Us to Miss the Call to Heaven"

I. Jesus's Parable

II. God's Great Desire To Save

III. Humans Always Tempted to Look to Other "gods"

IV. God's Great Desire To Save

The Large Catechism, Ten Commandments, the 1st Commandment – By Martin Luther

¹ That is, you shall regard me alone as your God. What does this mean, and how is it to be understood? What is to have a god? What is God?

² Answer: A god is that to which we look for all good and in which we find refuge in every time of need. To have a god is nothing else than to trust and believe him with our whole heart. As I have often said, the trust and faith of the heart alone make both God and an idol.

³ If your faith and trust are right, then your God is the true God. On the other hand, if your trust is false and wrong, then you have not the true God. For these two belong together, faith and God. That to which your heart clings and entrusts itself is, I say, really your God.

⁴ The purpose of this commandment, therefore, is to require true faith and confidence of the heart, and these fly straight to the one true God and cling to him alone. The meaning is: "See to it that you let me alone be your God, and never seek another." In other words: "Whatever good thing you lack, look to me for it and seek it from me, and whenever you suffer misfortune and distress, come and cling to me. I am the one who will satisfy you and help you out of every need. Only let your heart cling to no one else."¹

¹ Theodore G. Tappert, ed., <u>*The Book of Concord the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.*</u> (Philadelphia: Mühlenberg Press, 1959), 365.

Luke 14:25-33 (This reading immediately follows the Gospel reading of the Great Banquet for June 13)

25 Now great crowds accompanied him, and he turned and said to them, 26 "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. 27 Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 28 For which of you, desiring to build a tower. does not first sit down and count the cost. whether he has enough to complete it? 29 Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, 30 saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.' 31 Or what king, going out to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and deliberate whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? 32 And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of peace. 33 So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

IV. God's Great desire to Save

See Ephesians 4:13-22

- Both those far off and those near have peace in Christ

- All people can be reconciled to God, no matter what their situation.

- Verses 19-22 – All who believe in Christ are in God's house and in God's family.