

Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost

10:30am

Sunday, August 23rd

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ourselves to grow in faith
and love, to serve together,
and to reach out with the
Gospel of Jesus Christ.*



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME & INVITATIONAL PRAYER

Stand, as able

CALL TO WORSHIP

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 138:1–3, 7–8

P: ¹I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

C: ²**I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.**

P: ³On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

C: ⁷**Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;**

P: you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

C: ⁸**The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Exhortation

LSB 213

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

Confession of Sins

LSB 213

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

Absolution

LSB 213

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray... Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Be Seated

Opening Song: ‘Our God’

1 Water You turned into wine
Opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You
None like You

2 Into the darkness You shine
Out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You
None like You

Chorus: Our God is greater
Our God is stronger
God You are higher than any other
Our God is healer
Awesome in power our God our God

(Repeat verse 2)

(Repeat chorus twice)

Bridge: And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
And if our God is for us
Then who could ever stop us
And if our God is with us
Then what could stand against
Then what could stand against

(Repeat chorus twice)

(Repeat bridge)

What could stand against ***(Chorus)***

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

First Reading ~ Old Testament Prophet

Isaiah 51:1–6

¹“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who

bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴"Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed."

Second Reading ~ New Testament Epistle

Romans 11:33—12:8

³³Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

³⁴"Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?"³⁵"Who has ever given to God, that God should repay him?"³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

¹²Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. ²Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will. ³For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. ⁴Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. ⁷If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; ⁸if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give

generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

Stand, as able

Third Reading ~ Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:13–20

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Apostles' Creed

☩ 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.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited forward for a brief lesson and treat.

Message Song: 'The Church'

Praise Team 1 For the different ways we see You
For all the ways You move
All the colors and expressions
Oh the beauty of Your Church
What a masterful reflection
When we are unified
Truly celebrate each other
And let go of our pride

Chorus **Oh praise the Father praise the Son**
Holy Spirit make us one
Every nation tribe and tongue
This is our cry Your Kingdom come

Praise Team 2 We surrender our agendas
Our preferences our plans
Would You help us work together
To be Your feet and hands
Our heart is just to know You
To show them who You are
The Gospel's still the answer
For every searching heart

Chorus **Oh praise the Father praise the Son**
Holy Spirit make us one
Every nation tribe and tongue
This is our cry Your Kingdom come

Praise Team Bridge Brothers sisters under the banner of Your Name
Mothers fathers under the banner of Your Name
All Your children all for the glory of Your Name

Bridge **Brothers sisters under the banner of Your Name**
Mothers fathers under the banner of Your Name
All Your children all for the glory of Your Name

Praise Team 3 Every story of revival
Every miracle we've seen
It's a glimpse of what is coming
So by faith help us believe
And we know the day is coming
When we will see Your face
Every knee will bow before You
And every heart will say

**Chorus Oh praise the Father praise the Son
Holy Spirit make us one
Every nation tribe and tongue
This is our cry Your Kingdom come**

**End Lord hear our cry Your will be done
This is our cry Your Kingdom come**

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SERMON ~ "Look What God Has Done" (Matthew 16:18)

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

Offertory Song: 'In Christ Alone/ Cornerstone/ The Solid Rock' - Duet

Stand, as able

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Prayer Response

Each petition ends with the following prompt from the Pastor and response from the Congregation:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.** (*After the final petition: Amen.*)

Lord's Prayer

C **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.**

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface

LSB 216

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Introduction to The Words of Our Lord

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

The Words of Our Lord

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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **Amen.**

Be Seated

Distribution Song: 'Come Jesus Come'

Verse 1 - Praise team

Sometimes I fall to my knees and pray
Come Jesus come let today be the day
Sometimes I feel like I'm gonna break
But I'm holding on to a hope that won't fade

Chorus **Come Jesus come**
 We've been waiting so long
 For the day You return to heal every hurt
 And right every wrong
 We need You right now
 Come and turn this around
 Deep down I know this world isn't home
 Come Jesus come
 Come Jesus come

Verse 2 - Praise team

There'll be no war and there'll be no chains
When Jesus comes let today be the day
He'll come for the weak
And the strong just the same
And all will believe in the power of His name

Chorus

Verse 3 - Praise team

One day He'll come and we'll stand face to face
Come and lay it all down 'cause it might be today
The time is right now there's no need to wait
Your past will be washed by rivers of grace

Chorus

Ending

Come Jesus come

Remain Seated

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray... We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

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A Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

C Amen.

Sending Song: 'Holy Forever'

Verse 1 A thousand generations falling down in worship
 To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
 And all who've gone before us
 And all who will believe
 Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Pre-Chorus

(Jesus) Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

Chorus 1 And the angels cry Holy
 All creation cries Holy
 You are lifted high Holy
 Holy forever

Verse 2 If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
 Sing the song forever to the Lamb
 If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name
 Sing the song forever to the Lamb
 We'll sing the song forever and amen

Chorus 1 And the angels cry Holy
 All creation cries Holy
 You are lifted high Holy
 Holy forever

Chorus 2 Hear Your people sing Holy
 To the King of Kings Holy
 You will always be Holy
 Holy forever

Pre-Chorus

(Jesus) Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all
(Repeat)

Chorus 1

And the angels cry Holy
All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy
Holy forever

Chorus 2

Hear Your people sing Holy
To the King of Kings Holy
You will always be Holy
Holy forever
You will always be Holy
Holy forever

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Sending Instructions & Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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