

# *Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

*July 17, 2022*



## *Lord of Love Lutheran Church (ELCA)*

*10405 Fort St., Omaha, NE 68134*

*“Celebrating and sharing God’s Love in a welcoming community of faith, while serving others”*

*Worship 9:00 a.m.*

***Bold type indicates Congregational responses***

*\*Congregation please stand as you are able*

### ***Introduction***

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!”—to heed the word that gives life. So it was with Abraham and Sarah, Mary and Martha, and the early church at Colossae. So it is today as we join the assembly to hear the word of God, the word of life.

### ***Prelude***

### ***Announcements***

### ***Ring of the Bell***

**\*Gathering Song:** “When Morning Guilds the Skies” ..... ELW 853

**\*Greeting**

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

**And also with you.**

**\*Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor,  
let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of mercy,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you,  
against one another,  
and against the earth entrusted to our care.  
We are worried and distracted by many things,  
and we fail to love you above all else.  
We store up treasures for ourselves  
and turn away from our neighbors in need.  
Forgive us,  
that we may live in the freedom of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

When we were laid low by sin and guilt,  
God made us alive together with Christ,  
forgiving us ☩ all our trespasses  
by taking our sins to the cross.

For freedom Christ has set us free:

Rejoice in this good news!

**Amen.**

***\*Kyrie***

P: Let us pray to God with peace in our hearts:

**God of love, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, let us pray to our God:

**God of love, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, for the health of the church, and for the unity of all people, let us pray to our God:

**God of love, have mercy.**

For the people of God and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to our God:

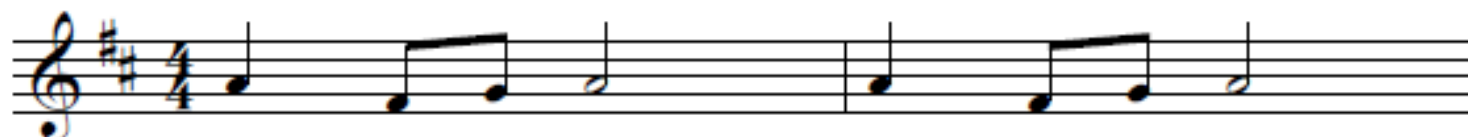
**God of love, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious God.

**Amen.**

# **\*Hymn of Praise**

## Refrain



(Women) Glo - ry to God! (Men) Glo - ry to God!



(All) Glo - ry to God in the high - est: Glo - ry, glo - ry,



Glo - ry to God a - bove. Glo - ry to God in the



**Fine**

high - est: Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry to the God of Love.

## Verse



1. Wor - thy is Christ the Lamb who was slain whose  
2. Pow - er rich - es wis - dom and strength and  
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of God and  
4. Bless - ing and hon - or glo - ry and praise be to



**D.C.**

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
ho - nor and bless - ing and glo - ry are God's.  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

***\*Prayer of the Day***

L: Let us pray.

**Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

***Special Music: "In Christ Alone" .....*** arr. Larry Nickel

***First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a***

L: The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28***

L: [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and

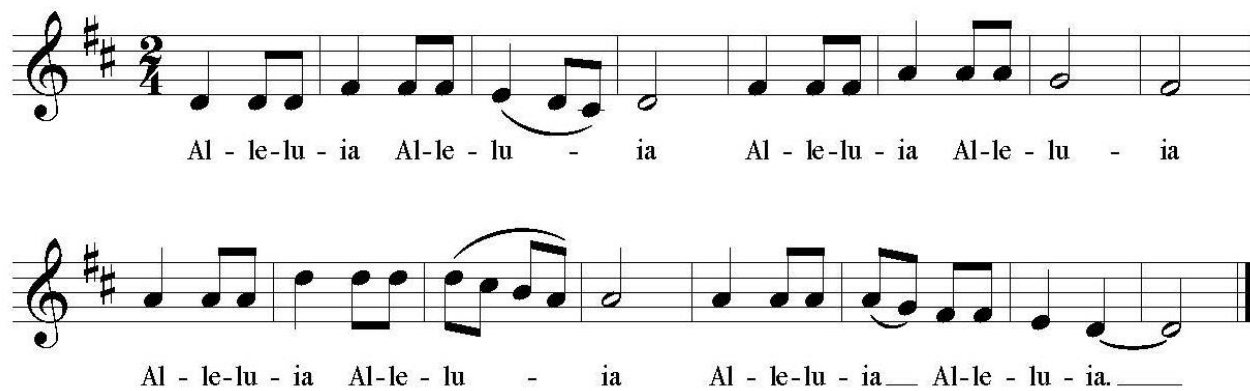
steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

***\*Gospel Acclamation***



***\*Gospel: Luke 10:38-42***

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Children's Sermon** ..... Rev. Becky Sells

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**Hymn of the Day:** "Jesus, the Very Thought of You" ..... ELW 754

**\*The Apostle's Creed**

L: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**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.**

**\*Prayers of Intercession**

L: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

Ever-present God, in Christ you fill all things. As your church gathers to hear your word, share your meal, and receive your blessing, teach us to welcome strangers as we have been welcomed by you. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Through Christ you created all things, visible and invisible. Teach humankind to honor and protect all creation, including living things that remain hidden from our eyes such as air, atmosphere, molecules, and microscopic creatures. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Through Christ you reconcile all things. Motivate those in power to end enslavement, dehumanization, or brutality of any kind and to protect and improve the lives of Indigenous peoples. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

Through Christ you bring peace. Assure all who are worried and distracted by many things of your constant presence. Soothe those suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially, we pray for those listed on our prayer list, and the names of those we lift up to you now... Sustain all who are afflicted and those who serve as caregivers. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

In Christ you make your word fully known. Inspire this worshiping community to abide fully in your word as we sit at the feet of Jesus. Bless the ministry of teachers and Bible study leaders. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

In Christ you brought forth the firstborn from the dead. We give thanks for the saints you have gathered at your table. Gather us with them in your eternal glory. God of grace,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.  
**Amen.**

### ***Offering***

L: We are called to reflect on how we are giving back to God for all the blessings God has given us. This includes continuing to financially support the church and its mission, along with considering how we might be called to give and use our time and talents to further God's kingdom here on earth.

*Gifts may be placed in the offering plate located in the back of the sanctuary or may be given electronically at [www.lord-of-love.org](http://www.lord-of-love.org). Children may come forward to put their offering in the noise jar.*



## Offertory



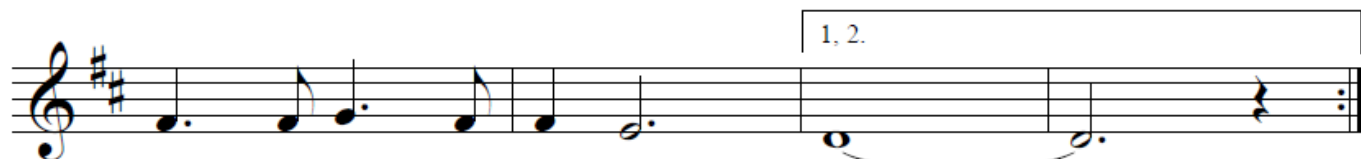
1. What have we to of - fer?      What have we to share?  
 2. What have we to of - fer?      What have we to bring?  
 3. What have we to of - fer?      What have we to give?



Coins \_\_\_\_\_ from the cof - fer      Hearts \_\_\_\_\_ filled with care.  
 Love, \_\_\_\_\_ ripe with laugh - ter,      Hope that we can sing.  
 Eyes that are wide o - pen,      Lies that we won't live.



God \_\_\_\_\_ will not fal - ter      If \_\_\_\_\_ we will dare  
 Dreams of what we're af - ter,      Pro - mis - es of when  
 Truth that must be spo - ken,      Just - tice some - how



Lay it at the al - tar      there. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lay it at the al - tar      then. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lay it at the al - tar



now. \_\_\_\_\_      What have we to of - fer?      What have we to



give?      Lives \_\_\_\_\_ we will live. \_\_\_\_\_

## \*Offertory Prayer

P: Merciful God: We return to you the gifts that you have given: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your graciousness and love. Receive them and use them for the sake of the one who died for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### ***\*The Great Thanksgiving***

P: The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

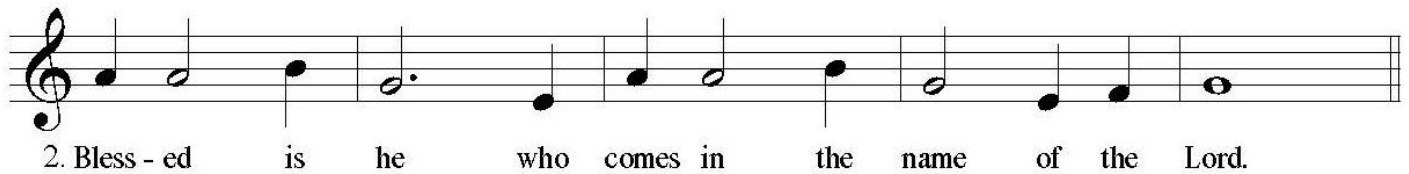
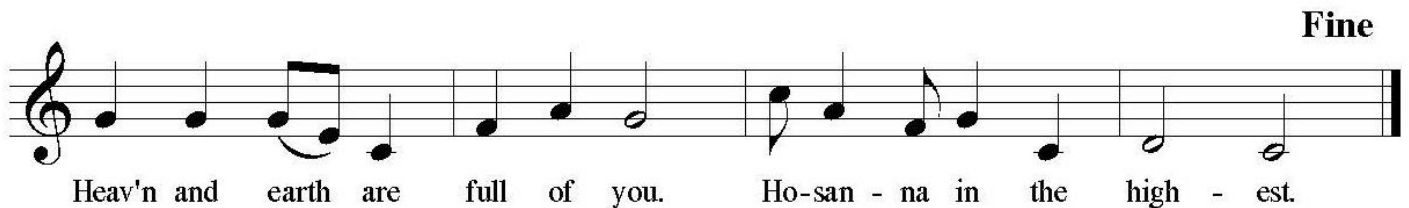
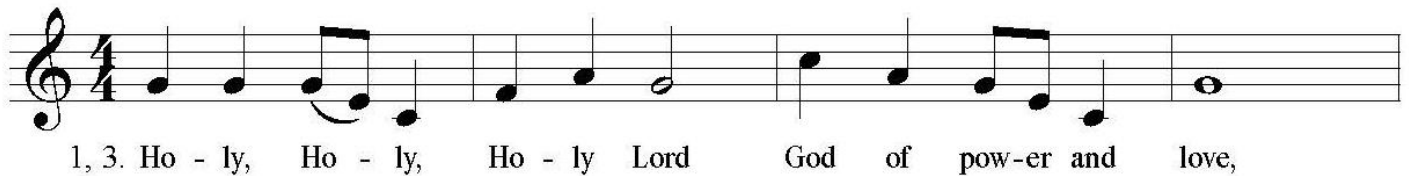
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### ***\*Holy, Holy, Holy***



### ***\*Words of Institution***

On the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for remembrance of me.

### ***\*The Lord's Prayer***

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### ***Communion Invitation***

P: God invites you to this table of bounty. Come, the banquet is ready.

### ***Lamb of God***

1. Lamb of God, who takes a - way the  
 2. Lamb of God, who'd give your soul to  
 3. Lamb of God, ris - en Lord, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. Lamb of God, ho - ly Son, \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. Lamb of God, who takes a - way the

sin of all the world \_\_\_\_\_ to - day,  
 see a brok - en world \_\_\_\_\_ made whole,  
 heal us with your liv - ing word,  
 bring us peace when day \_\_\_\_\_ is done,  
 sin of all the world \_\_\_\_\_ to - day,

Have mer - cy up - on us, mer - cy up - on us,

**Fine**

mer - cy up - on us and give us your peace.

## ***Communion***

### ***\*Post-Communion Prayer***

P: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

**Amen.**

### ***\*Benediction***

P: Live your lives in Christ,  
rooted and built up in him,  
and abound in thanksgiving;  
and the blessing of the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,  
be upon you and remain with you forever.

**Amen.**

***\*Sending Song: "Amazing Grace"*** ..... ELW 779

### ***\*Dismissal***

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

**Thanks be to God!**

## ***Ring of the Bell***

## ***Postlude***

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