

*June 21, 2020 ~ 9:30 a.m.
Third Sunday After Pentecost*

...the **free**
gift of God
is **eternal life**
in *Christ Jesus*
our **LORD.**

Romans 6:23

Trinity Lutheran Church & School

*Our Mission:
To Make More and Better Disciples of Jesus Christ.*

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AS WE GATHER

There are many things that cause us to be afraid. We become afraid anytime we perceive our sense of security is threatened. This can be a perceived physical, financial, intellectual, relational, or spiritual threat. In these last days, these threats may only appear to be real or they may actually be real. No matter what it may be, our security and our strength lie in our God, who is our refuge and strength. In Him we put our trust.

PRESERVICE MUSIC (Drive-In Service Only)

RINGING OF THE BELLS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Drive-In Service Only)

“Lord Reign in Me”

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Over all the earth You reign on high.
Ev'ry mountain stream, ev'ry sunset sky
But my one request, Lord my only aim
Is that You'd reign in me again.

CHORUS:

**Lord, reign in me, reign in Your pow'r.
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am.
So, won't You reign in me again.**

Over ev'ry thought, over ev'ry word.
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord
'Cause You mean more to me
Than any earthly thing.
So won't You reign in me again.

(Chorus)

WELCOME

INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say of the LORD, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

Pastor: If you say, “The LORD is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling,

People: no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.

Pastor: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways;

People: they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.

Pastor: Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

All: I will say of the LORD, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

OPENING HYMN

“Our Father, By Whose Name”

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Our Father, by whose name
All fatherhood is known,
Who dost in love proclaim
Each family thine own,
Bless thou all parents, guarding well,
With constant love as sentinel,
The homes in which thy people dwell.

O Christ, thyself a child
Within an earthly home,
With heart still undefiled,
Thou didst to manhood come;
Our children bless in ev'ry place
That they may all behold thy face,
And knowing thee may grow in grace.

O Spirit, who dost bind
Our hearts in unity,
Who teachest us to find
The love from self set free,
In all our hearts such love increase
That ev'ry home by this release
May be the dwelling place of peace.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: We come before the Lord this day to be strengthened in faith and to be witnesses of righteousness and truth before a hostile world. Let us first confess our own sinfulness, that we receive mercy, grace, and forgiveness from God.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to 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.

People: **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Gracious and sustaining Lord, bless the labors of all fathers as they carry out the work of their special vocation. May they always be sources of strength and encouragement, and bringers of family harmony, unity, and peace. Support them in times of trouble, and sustain them when their callings become challenging and the demands on their lives are burdensome. Give all of us a fuller appreciation of the gift of the families in which You have placed us. Guide us day by day that we may truly be a family of faith where love is demonstrated at all times. We ask this in the name of Jesus.

People: **Amen.**

EPISTLE: *Romans 6:12–23* (Slaves to righteousness)

¹²Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. ¹³Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Shall we sin because we are not under the law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. ¹⁸You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

¹⁹I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations. Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. ²⁰When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. ²¹What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! ²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in^[a] Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 10:5a, 21–33* (Do not be afraid.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans

²¹"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²²You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴"The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

²⁶"So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs.

²⁸Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. ³⁰And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

³²"Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. ³³But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“You Are the Way; Through You Alone”

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You are the way; through You alone
Can we the Father find;
In You, O Christ, has God revealed
His heart and will and mind.

You are the truth; Your Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
You only can inform the mind
And purify the heart.

You are the life; the empty tomb
Proclaims Your conqu'ring arm,
And those who put their trust in You
Not death nor hell shall harm.

You are the way, the truth, the life;
Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win
Whose joys eternal flow.

SERMON: "Perfectly Free; Dutifully Enslaved" *Romans 6:12-23*

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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the Holy Church throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all people, that we be preserved from discord and strife, that God grant us protection in every time of need, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, for the sick and dying, and for those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: (*Special petitions*) ... let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

HYMN

"On Eagles' Wings"

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You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge,
My rock in whom I trust!"

REFRAIN:

**And He will raise you up on eagles' wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His hand.**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield. **(Refrain)**

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come. **(Refrain)**

For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone. **(Refrain)**

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