



# ST. GEORGE

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Third Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

***Welcome! We are glad you're here!***

**A warm welcome is extended to all!**

**Your presence enriches us at this time of celebration together.**

**Prepare Hearts for Worship    *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus***

**#802**

**Welcome and announcements**

**Sharing of the Peace**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**O God of compassion,  
if you kept a record of our sins,  
who could stand?**

**We come before you with our brokenness  
and our wounds for all to see.**

**We bring our anger, our bitterness,  
our unwholesome talk,  
and our deceitfulness.**

**We try to do good,  
but sometimes fail.**

**We choose to do evil,  
and sometimes succeed.**

**Keep your promise to forgive us  
when we confess to you completely.**

**Without you, we have no hope.**

## Words of Assurance

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and will forgive us.  
God provides freely all the mercy we need for life everlasting.  
The good news is forgiveness in the name of Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

### Entrance Hymn:

### *Amazing Grace*

#779

Amazing grace!--how sweet the sound--  
that saved a wretch like me! I once was  
lost, but now am found; was blind, but  
now I see.

I have already come; 'tis grace has  
brought me safe thus far, and grace will  
lead me home.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved; how  
precious did that grace appear the hour I  
first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me; his  
word my hope secures; he will my shield  
and portion be as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares

When we've been there ten thousand  
years, bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

### 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.**

### Kyrie

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

## **Hymn of Praise: This is the Feast**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## **Prayer of the Day:**

**Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by wing, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **Youth Message**

### **First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15**

They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures;

upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

**L: The Word of the Lord All: Thanks be to God**

## **Psalm 130**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

**Lord, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

**If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?**

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

**I wait for the Lord; my soul waits, and in his word I hope;**

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,  
**more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

**For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.**

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

## **Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-15:1**

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and therefore we also speak, because we know that the one who raised Jesus will also raise us with Jesus and will present us with you in his presence. Indeed, everything is for your sake, so that grace, when it has extended to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For our slight, momentary affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen, for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

L: The Word of the Lord   **All: Thanks be to God**

**All: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia, Alleluia.**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

## **Gospel: Mark 3:20-35**

Then he went home, and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter, but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord **All: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

### **Hymn of the Day:**

### ***Rise, Shine, You People!***

**#665**

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered our human story; God in him is centered. He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded, with grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow’rs of evil reeling; he brings us freedom, light and life and healing. All men and women, who by guilt are driven, now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling, your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling. To all the world go out and tell the story of Jesus’ glory.

Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us. Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us. Tell how the Spirit calls from ev’ry nation God’s new creation.

Ronald A. Klug; Dale Wood

**Apostle's Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come 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.**

*\*catholic here meaning "universal"*

### **Prayers of Intercession:**

**A Merciful God, C Receive our Prayer**

### **Offertory:**

**Let the vineyards be fruitful Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

### **Offertory Prayer:**

**God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

### **Words of Institution**

#### **The 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Lamb of God: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## Holy Communion

### Communion Hymn:

### *All Depends on Our Possessing*

#589

All depends on our possessing  
God's free grace and constant blessing,  
though all earthly wealth depart.  
They who trust with faith unshaken  
by their God are not forsaken  
and will keep a dauntless heart.

God, who hitherto has fed me  
and to many joys has led me,  
is and ever shall be mine.

God, who did so gently school me  
and who daily guides and rules me,  
will remain my help divine.

When with sorrow I am stricken,  
hope my heart anew will quicken,  
all my longing shall be stilled.  
To your loving-kindness tender all my

being I surrender;  
Lord, on you alone I build.

Well you know what best to grant me;  
all the longing hopes that haunt me,  
joy and sorrow, have their day.  
I shall doubt his wisdom never;  
as you will, so be it ever;  
I commit to you my way.

If on earth my days should lengthen,  
God, my weary soul still strengthen;  
all my trust in you I place.  
Earthly wealth is not abiding;  
like a stream away it's gliding;  
safe I anchor in your grace.

Catherine Winkworth; Johann Lohner

### *Just as I am Without One Plea*

#592

Just as I am, without one plea,  
but that Thy blood was shed for me,  
and that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about  
with many a conflict, many a doubt,  
fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come,

Just as I am; Thy love unknown  
has broken ev'ry barrier down;  
now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Charlotte Elliott; William Bradbury

### Post Communion Blessing:

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
C Amen

**Post Communion Canticle: Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell everyone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Benediction** As you go into the coming days, remember: You do not go alone. God's faithful love goes with you. No matter what you are facing, God will not abandon you. For You belong to Him, and He will fulfill His plans for your life. So go from here, strong in the knowledge that God's loving presence goes with you. **Amen**

**Sending Hymn:**

*Jesus Loves Me*

**#595**

Jesus loves me! this I know, for the Bible  
tells me so;  
little ones to him belong, they are weak,  
but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me, yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! he who died heaven's  
gates to open wide;  
he will wash away my sin, let his little  
child come in.

Jesus loves me! he will stay close beside  
me all the way;  
when at last I come to die, he will take  
me home on high.

*Text: Anna B. Warner, 1820-1915, alt*

**Dismissal**      A: Go in peace, serve the Lord,      C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Announcements**

**Birthday Celebration:** Today at 10:00 AM.

**Needleworks:** Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!

**Friendship Circle Meeting:** June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.

**Friendship Circle Book Club:** Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM.

**180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Workshop:** Saturday, June 22 from 9 AM- Noon.

**Vacation Bible School:** June 24-27 from 6:00-8:00 PM.

**Love Inc, Buckets of Blessings:** We are asking for hand soap for June.

Pastor Julie is usually in Brighton on Wednesdays and Sundays. If you have a pastoral need, you may contact her at 231-750-1462. You may need to leave a message, and she will call back within 24 hours.



<b>Sunday 06/09</b>	<b>9 AM Traditional Worship, 10 AM Birthday Celebration, 11 AM Contemporary Worship</b>
<b>Monday 06/10</b>	<b>Office Hours 8 AM – 1 PM</b>
<b>Tuesday 06/11</b>	<b>9:30 AM Friendship Circle; 7:30 PM AA</b>
<b>Wednesday 06/12</b>	<b>Office Hours 8 AM-1 PM; 8 AM Men’s Club</b>
<b>Thursday 06/13</b>	<b>7:00 PM AA</b>
<b>Friday 06/14</b>	<b>Office Hours 8 AM-1 PM</b>
<b>Saturday 06/15</b>	

	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	9:00 AM
Asst. Min	Bob S.	Lorna D.	Kevin K.	Joan V.
Lay Reader	Bob S.	Lorna D.	Kevin K.	Joan V.
Greeter	Janice P.	Tom W.	Jim T.	
Usher	Michele	Kathy	Bob K.	Jerry
Media	Graenser	Graenser	Prieskorn	Graenser
Fellowship	Birthday Celebration	Elaine	Elizabeth H.	Carolyn K.
Altar Care	Linda F.	Linda G.	Judy	Sally

## **Prayers of Grace & Support**

For Our Church Members, especially:

**Collene Hedden**, for health concerns.

**Cindy, John, and Jon Brach**, with health concerns.

**Kathy Boyes** with health challenges.

**Barb Gienapp** with health concerns.

**Theo Evans** being treated for leukemia.

For Friends and Family of our Church Members:

**Frank Lewis**, Kathie Wilhelm's friend & neighbor, battling cancer.

**Amy**, Keith Boyes' niece, dealing with medical issues.

**Carol Pacheco**, in hospice.

**Karla Shaffer**, best friend of the Petersburg's daughter, diagnosed with stage 4 lung and brain cancer.

**Keegan**, 18-year-old with recurring cancer.

**Karin**, heart valve replacement surgery.

**Juanita Fox**, George's mom, for healing.

**Hudson Bennett**, George Fox's nephew, for healing.

**Kimberlie Gilbertson**, Jeanie Petersburg's cousin, dealing with eye damage/temporary blindness from an interocular lens removal.

**Carl Loerwald**, friend of Joanne Bellmard, recovering from back surgery and other medical issues.

**Dian Kolis**, friend of Linda Fox, with Parkinson's and scheduled for brain surgery.

**Nick Hodgin**, Jim Hartman's friend's 12-year-old son, following brain cancer surgery.

**Matt B.**, Linda Walton's son's best friend, diagnosed with stage 4 liver disease.

**Lydia**, Gail's adult piano student, recovering from brain surgery.

**Norma Topp**, Michele Hirschman's friend, as she prepares for upcoming surgery.

**Victor**, Gail's 82-year-old student's wife, in hospice.

**Alicia Gardner**, Linda Walton's niece, awaiting a liver transplant.

**Trey Martin**, cousin of Bryan Rush, in Europe in the military. Pray for his safety.

**John D**, friend of Bryan Rush, suffering from Diabetes Type II.

**Melissa Aloffalter**, Angela Martin's friend, battling an unknown medical issue.

**Margaret Doane**, Kristiina H.'s friend, with breast cancer.

**Micah**, Alia's nephew, with a chronic infection and declining health.

**Ethan and his mom, Marianne**, friends of Linda Walton, as they are dealing with major physical and emotional struggles.

**Jackie**, Gail's piano student, diagnosed with throat cancer.

**Theresa Knight**, spouse of Michael Knight, for her battle with breast cancer.

**Terry Pitt**, Collene Hedden's brother-in-law, with auto-immune disease.

**Vicki**, Kristiina Herbst's neighbor, with health concerns.

**Beulah & Mark** who are having health and life difficulties.

For Our Community and Beyond:

Help the weak and bold in Jesus' name.

Cats and dogs that do not have a home.

Prayers for peace in Ukraine

Prayers for peace in the Middle East



St. George is a warm, friendly, spirit-filled congregation that has been blessed throughout many years. Most Christian denominations develop a distinct emphasis of the Christian faith and practice, and this is also true for Lutherans.

**The Lutheran emphasis, in a word, is God's grace.**

We emphasize the grace of God which forgives us, makes us God's children, and empowers us to serve others. **We welcome, include, and value all people.**

**Current Budget Report: as of 6/2/2024**

**Last week's giving: \$5,182.15**

**Needed to meet budget: \$5,425.96**

**Year to Date: \$125,897.90**

**Ahead (Behind) Budget: \$6,526.75**