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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.

Welcome and Announcements

Sharing the Peace

Centering Prayer

God is with me, but more,

God is within me, giving me existence.

Let me dwell for a moment on God's life-giving presence

in my body, my mind, my heart

and in the whole of my life.

(silent prayer)

Youth Message

Opening

Sing to The King

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign
Glory to Jesus the Lamb that was slain
Life and salvation His empire shall bring
And joy to the nations when Jesus is King

Come let us sing a song
A song declaring that we belong to Jesus
He is all we need
Lift up a heart of praise

Sing now with voices raised to Jesus
Sing to the King

For His returning we watch and we pray
We will be ready the dawn of that day
We'll join in singing with all the redeemed
'Cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is
King

CCLI Song # 4010902 CCLI License # 3054064

Glory

Great is the Lord God Almighty
Great is the Lord on high
The train of His robe fills the temple
And we cry out highest praise

Glory to the risen King
Glory to the Son
Glorious Son

Lift up your heads
Open the doors
Let the King of glory come in
And forever be our God

Holy is the Lord God Almighty
Holy is the Lord on high
Let all the earth bow before You
And crown You Lord of all

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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**

First Lesson: 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**

Second Lesson: 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.**

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.”

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

Sermon

Song

Christ is Enough

Christ is my reward and all of my
devotion. Now there's nothing in this
world That could ever satisfy
Through every trial my soul will sing
No turning back I've been set free

Chorus: Christ is enough for me
Christ is enough for me
Everything I need is in You
Everything I need

Christ my all in all the joy of my
salvation
And this hope will never fail
Heaven is our home
Through every storm my soul will sing
Jesus is here to God be the glory *Chorus*

I have decided to follow Jesus
No turning back no turning back
The cross before me the world behind me
No turning back no turning back *Chorus*

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Prayers of the Church Merciful God, **Receive our prayer**

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.

Holy Communion

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**

Song: *Sing to the King (See Page 1)*

Go in peace, serve the Lord

Thanks be to God

Announcements

Birthday Celebration: Today at 10:00 AM.

Needleworks: Friday, June 21st at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!

Friendship Circle Meeting: June 11th at 9:30 AM.

Friendship Circle Book Club: Thursday, June 20th at 3 PM.

180th 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.



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 Hodgins, 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.**