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13th Sunday after Pentecost



**EVEN THERE YOUR HAND
SHALL LEAD ME** **AND YOUR RIGHT HAND
SHALL HOLD ME**



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #334

“Let Me Be Thine Forever”

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

C *♩* Amen.

P Pastor

Confession of Our Sins

C Congregation

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

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.**

P O Almighty God, our Maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Absolution from Our God

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given us His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He gives the power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C *♩* Amen.

The Introit

Ps. 55:1,12-14,16,22

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

- P** Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.
- G** **Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not yourself from my plea for mercy!**
- P** For it is not an enemy who taunts me—then I could bear it; it is not an adversary who deals insolently with me—then I could hide from him.
- G** **But it is you, a man, my equal, my companion, my familiar friend.**
- P** We used to take sweet counsel together; within God's house we walked in the throng.
- G** **But I call to God, and the Lord will save me.**
- P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
- G** **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

"FOR I AM WITH YOU
TO RESCUE
AND SAVE YOU,"
DECLARES THE LORD.

The Gloria Patri

TLH #218:6

Latin for "Glory be to the Father."

- G** **♪ Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son,
Dying, risen, ascending for us,
Who the heavenly realm hath won.
Glory to the Holy Spirit!
To One God in Persons Three
Glory both in earth and heaven,
Glory, endless glory, be.**

Collect Prayer of the Day

A prayer to God that collects together the thoughts and theme of the day.

- P** Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- G** **♪ Amen.**

Luke 12:49-53

"I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

PUT ON THE
.....full.....
armor
OF GOD.

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: WS #768

"Be Strong in the Lord"

**Psalm 139:1-17**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. ³ You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether. ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it. ⁷ Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? ⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, ¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. ¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," ¹² even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you. ¹³ For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. ¹⁵ My

frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶ Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. ¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

The Little Dash Tells the Story:

- I. God knows me
- II. God is with me
- III. God is for me
- IV. God loves me



The Offertory

In this prayer we offer our hearts, asking God for the best gift, the Holy Spirit.

- C** ♪ **Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; And uphold me with thy free spirit. Amen.**

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: WS #784

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

- P** Holy Communion is called the Lord's Supper, the Lord's Table, and the

The Order of Holy Communion



Sacrament of the Altar. What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

- C** **It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given to us Christians under the bread and wine to eat and to drink, as it was instituted by Christ Himself.**

Response: WS #755:1

"What Is This Bread?"

- C** ♪ **What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead: This bread we break, This life we take, Was crushed to pay for our release. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is peace.**

✠ The Institution of the Lord's Supper ✠

P But where is this written?

C **The holy evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and the apostle Paul write this way:**

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

C **In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying,**

P 'Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.'"

Response: WS #755:2

"What Is This Bread?"

C ♪ **What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine; The cup of grace, Brings His embrace, Of life and love, And so I sing: Oh taste and see- The Lord is King.**

P What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?

C **The words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that God gives forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation through the Sacrament.**

P For where there is forgiveness of sins,

C **There is also life and salvation!**

Response: WS #755:3

"What Is This Bread?"

C ♪ **So who am I, That I should live and He should die, Under the rod. My God, my God, Why have You not forsaken me? Oh taste and see- the Lord is free.**

P How can eating and drinking do such wonderful things?

C **Eating and drinking actually do nothing. It is the words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" which do this.**

P These words, together with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main part of the Sacrament.

C **Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: forgiveness of sins.**

Response: WS #755:4

“What Is This Bread?”

C ♪ **Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear. In mouth and soul, He makes us whole- Christ, truly present in this meal. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is real.**

P When is one properly prepared to receive this Sacrament?

C **Customs in connection with eating and clothing are indeed a fine preparation.**

P However, a person is truly worthy and well-prepared who has faith in these words, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.”

C **Whoever does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared. The words, “for you,” require nothing but believing hearts.**

Response: WS #755:5

“What Is This Bread?”

C ♪ **Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free! I do believe, That I receive, His very body and His blood. Oh, taste and see- the Lord is good.**

✠ **The Distribution of the Lord’s Supper** ✠

After the distribution, we will continue with the hymn verse below.

Response: WS #755:6

“What Is This Bread?”

C ♪ **What can I say, To ever thank Him for His grace? I’ll take my place, Among His saints, And join my tongue in word and song. Oh, taste and see, Praise God with me!**

The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

C ♪ **Amen, amen, a – men.**

Hymn: TLH #376

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

August 28th Offerings:	\$ 2,961.50
Weekly Offerings needed for budget	\$ 1,607.69
General Fund Balance	\$22,501.70
Faith-Blue Springs Balance	\$27,142.54
Total Cash All Funds	\$64,980.08