# June 16, 2024 3rd Sunday after Trinity



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TCLC

# + Opening Prayer +

#### Hymn: TLH #324:5-8

"Jesus, Sinners Doth Receive"

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

### Confession of Our Sins

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

- We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.
- Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from conception. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin and take away my guilt.
- God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

# C Amen!

The Introit

Ps. 25:1-2, 5, 15, 16, 18, 20

- Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.
- Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.
- To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame.
- You are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.
- My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for he will pluck my feet out of the net.
- Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

### The Kyrie & The Gloria Patri

Latin for "Lord, Have Mercy" and "Glory be to the Father" C: Christ, have mer-cy Lord, have mer - cy on us. o Lord, have mer - cy on us. on us. C: 1 Glo - ry to God. we give You thanks and praise: Lord Je - sus 2 Christ. the Fa - ther's on lv Son. 3 A - lone, the 0 Christ, You on - ly Lord, are 0 0 Of heav'n - ly joy and peace earth sing. on we You bore for load sin. the of this world's us God's At right hand in maj - es ty most high: 0. We wor - ship You. to You our hearts we raise. glo - rious 0 Lamb of God. Your vic - t'ry won. Who, with the Spir it wor - shiped and a dored. θ Lord God. al might - y Fa - ther. heav'n ly King. ceive with Re our prayer, grant us Your peace in. With all the heav'n - ly glo host we ri fy.

### Collect Prayer of the Day

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

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without whom nothing is strong and nothing is holy, multiply Your mercy on us that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for

the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. <sup>19</sup> He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. <sup>20</sup> You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.



Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper

time he may exalt you, <sup>7</sup> casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup> Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. <sup>10</sup> And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup> To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

## G ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Confession of Faith** 

The Apostles' Creed

### G I BELIEVE...

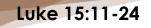
in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

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: TLH #330

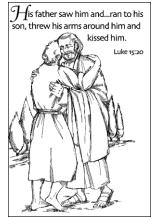
"I Come to Thee, O Blessed Lord"



And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said

to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them.<sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living.<sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need.<sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs.<sup>16</sup> And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.<sup>17</sup> "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger!<sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before

you. <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants,



'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

# The Unbelievable Parable of the Prodigal Son

- I. Could there ever be a "son" this bad?
- II. Could there ever be a "father" this good?

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## The Offertory

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

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

+ The Offering of Thankful Hearts +

Hymn: TLH #342

"Chief of Sinners, Though I Be"

# + The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer +

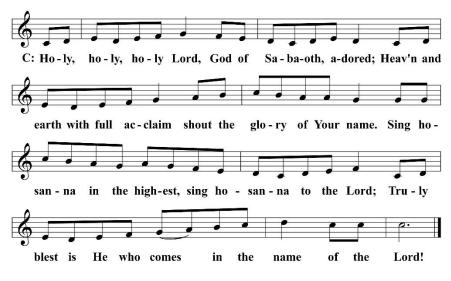
**P** The Lord be with you.

### C And also with you.

The Order of Holy Communion



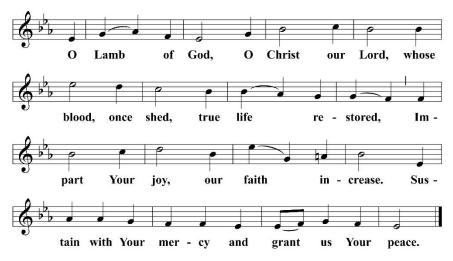
- P Lift up your hearts!
- **G** We lift them up to the Lord.
- It is truly good, right, and beneficial that we should, at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, through your Son Jesus Christ, who overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION *Lk. 22:19-20; Mt. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 11:23-25* 

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."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "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 whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me." The peace of the Lord be with you always!



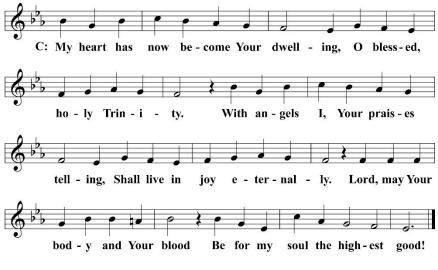
### Communion Today is for Members Only Please

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is, God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon 1 Corinthians 1:10 & 11:26-30, among other Bible passages. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, please speak with our Pastor to find out about communing with us in the future!



# + The Distribution of the Lord's Supper +

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.



#### **The Benediction**

Numbers 6:24-26

The blessing given by God for His people.

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!

Hymn: TLH #321 "O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee"

<u>**Call Returned**</u> – I've returned the call to Grace, Sleepy Eye. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during this consideration. I'm very blessed to consider to serve you all!

<u>**Out of Town**</u> – I'll be out of town this week for the CLC Convention in Eau Claire. As such, there will be no Bible Class this Wednesday or next Sunday. **Bible Class will resume 6/26**.

<u>CLC Call News:</u> Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA and St. Stephen East, Hayward, CA **has been called** to Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners, WI following Pastor Michael Eichstadt's retirement. <> Mr. Darin Lau, a member of Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI, **has returned the call** to teach the 5th & 6th grades at Messiah, EC's school. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." -Psalm 119:105

Mon Matthew 5:1-3 When Jesus sees the crowds, are perhaps some of them in deep poverty? Without God's blessing no earthly wealth will enrich them, but in Jesus they have His blessing, and God rules for them.

**Tues Matthew 5:4** No one envies mourners, for they have suffered great loss. But Jesus is joy that more than balances sorrow, and this equals comfort. Those who mourn because of their sin will find forgiveness in Him.

**Wed Matthew 5:5** In the eyes of the world it is the strong who survive, but Jesus says it is those who depend on God's strength, not their own, who will "own" the earth, all things working together for their good.

**Thurs Matthew 5:6** Can hunger and thirst ever be a blessing? If it is hunger and thirst for what God has promised in Jesus – righteousness, peace, forgiveness, and life – then indeed it does have a blessed future in its fulfillment.

Fri Acts 4:1-12 Although the apostles were arrested for proclaiming the resurrection in connection with Jesus (v3), the number of believers increased greatly. Although Jesus had been rejected and crucified, He was risen, and salvation was preached in His name to the leaders of those who opposed Him.

**Sat Genesis 17:1-9** Although it has been 24 years without Abram seeing the fulfillment of God's promises, God continues to fortify his faith by repeating the promises as the time for fulfillment draws near. His name would now be Abraham, reflecting the many nations of which he by faith would be the father.