



Pentecost 3  
Sunday, June 21, 2020



## Welcome & Announcements

### Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. **Amen.**

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Reconciling God, we **confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### Hymn: Lift High the Cross

*Refrain:* Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod, our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain.*

All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain.*

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain.*

So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain.*

### Greeting & Prayer

#### Prayer of the Day

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.

Teach us, good Lord, **to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### Special Music: Riley Linngren

## Scripture Readings

### First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13

O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

L: Word of God; word of life.    C: **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18

It is for your sake that I have borne reproach,  
that shame has covered my face.  
I have become a stranger to my kindred,  
an alien to my mother's children.

It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;  
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.  
When I humbled my soul with fasting,  
they insulted me for doing so.

Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;  
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.  
Do not hide your face from your servant,  
for I am in distress—make haste to answer me.  
Draw near to me, redeem me,  
set me free because of my enemies.

L: Word of God; word of life.    C: **Thanks be to God.**

### Second Reading: Romans 6:1-11

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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## The Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th Chapter.

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

“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

P: The gospel of the Lord.      **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message:** Pastor Dwight Rudquist

**Hymn: Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak**

Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone;  
as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.

Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wand'ring and the wav'ring feet;  
oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hung'ring ones with manna sweet.

Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart;  
and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts o'erflow in kindling thought  
and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

**Prayers**

P: Hear us, O God.      **C: Your mercy is great.**

## The Lord's Prayer

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**C: 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.**

## Blessing

P: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

P: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## Hymn: I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

*Refrain:* I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own holy word.

*Refrain:* I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song, I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long.

*Refrain:* I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.



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## Announcements

All church activities have been suspended until further notice.

**Virtual Coffee Hour:** the next Zoom coffee hour will be at 10am on Sunday, June 28th. We will send out the invitation soon!

**Communion:** we will incorporate communion into our Sunday, July 5th service. We have ordered communion to go cups that can be picked up at the office or if you are unable to pick them up, we will deliver them to you. Watch for the email notifying you when the communion cups are available.

**Pie To Go Steeple Fundraiser:** Save the date— Sunday, July 19th, 3pm to 4:30pm. We need pie bakers and pie consumers!!!! Free will offering for pie by the slice or the whole pie! More information will be coming out soon!

**Membership:** a packet was sent out in the mail with membership information along with Time and Talent sheets. Please complete and send back to the church. This would greatly help with our membership database!

Check out our website: [www.tflutheran.org](http://www.tflutheran.org) for more information about our church.

Check out the new book video on our YouTube Channel:

**Grandad's Prayers of the Earth  
Read by some special Dad's!!!**

### **Need Pastoral Care?**

Call Pastor Dwight 651-829-4884

### **Have questions or in need of something?**

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