Augustana Lutheran Church (ELCA)
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July 9, 2023
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m. In-Person and Livestream Service

Ringing of the Bell
Prelude
Welcome

Order of Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity †, one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.
C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Merciful God,
C: We confess that we have sinned. We have hurt our community. We have squandered our blessings. We have hoarded your bounty. In the name of Jesus Christ, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Righteous God,
C: We confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God’s mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.
C: Amen.

Opening Hymn

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW 765

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:
Be there at our waking, And give us, we pray
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord
At the break of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord,
At the end of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
You strength in our hearts, Lord
At the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray
Your love in our hearts, Lord
At the eve of the day.
Apostolic Greeting
Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
People: And also with you.

All Things Hold Beauty
Leader: Thank you, Lord, for all that you have given us.
People: Thank you for the beauty of the universe that you created; the trees, the sky, the mountains, the rain.
Leader: All things hold beauty in themselves and all are related and touch each creature of the earth. You created the rhythm and pattern of the universe in a harmony of movement, sight, and sound.
People: Help us to appreciate your creation and to live with our eyes, ears, and hearts open to your message. Amen.

Prayer of the day: You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Lesson Zechariah 9:9-12
Choral Psalmody “Bless the Lord, My Soul” (Psalm 103) Fr. Gelineau
Second Lesson Romans 7:15-25a

Children’s Time

Gospel Acclamation (Choir)

Alleluia. Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed these things to infants. Alleluia. (Matt. 11:25)

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the eleventh chapter.
All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Reading of the Gospel Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
Leader: (reads the gospel)
Leader: The gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Song “Just As I Am” Marilyn Keller
Sermon “Come to Me” Rev. Dr. W. J. Mark Knutson
Hymn of the Day

“Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty;
Drink the water I will give.
If you know what gift I offer,
You would come to me and live.”

Refrain

Jesus, ever flowing fountain,
Give us water from your well.
In the gracious gift you offer,
There is joy no tongue can tell.

“Come to me all trav’lers weary;
Come that I may give you rest.

Refrain

“Come to me, distressed and needy;
I would be your trusted friend.
Come and seek the gift I offer,
Come, your open hands extend.”

Refrain

“Apostles’ 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,
he 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.

Prayers of the People

Response: Hear our prayer

Mission Moment and Offering

Offering Prayer: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord. Amen

Service of Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: And also with you.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

(All may join)
Words of Institution
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution of Holy Communion

Hymn During Communion “Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling” ELW 608

| softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, | Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, |
| Calling for you and for me. | Pleading for you and for me? |
| See, on the portals he’s waiting and watching, | Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, |
| Watching for you and for me. | Mercies for you and for me? |

Refrain

“Come home, come home! |
You who are weary come home.”
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
Calling, “O sinner, come home!”

Refrain

Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised,
Promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
Pardon for you and for me!

Post-Communion Prayer

The Benediction

Closing Hymn “We’ve Come This Far By Faith” ELW 633

| Refrain (All) | (Leader) |
| We’ve come this far by faith, | Just remember |
| Leaning on the Lord, | The good things God has done, |
| Trusting in God’s holy word, | Things that seemed impossible, |
| Oh, can’t turn around, | Oh, praise him for the victories he has won. Oh! |
| We’ve come this far by faith | |

Refrain

Response: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Guest Organist

Ringing of the Peace Bell

10:00 a.m. service Musicians may include: Dr. Walter Krueger, Marilyn Keller Augustana choir members; guest organist

11:30 Spanish language Service with leaders/musicians Francisco Aguirre, Carlos Guevara, Elvio Gonzalez, Jackeline Luna, Dora Reyna, Aranza and Miranda Aguirre

Livestream/Tech Crew (rotating): Ben Joy, Dave Schmidt, Jenny Schmidt, Lane Johnson, Andy Fort, Mark Wells, Francisco Aguirre, Marilyn Keller, Glen Jacobs, Nate Fort, Peggy Thatcher-Aguir, Calvin Stuczynski, Annali and Linnea Smith, Ed Granshaw, Brandon Knutson (remote), Ayn Frazee (remote), Rev. Tom Campbell-Schmitt (remote), Tamrah Knutson (remote), Rick Gordon (advisor); David Schmidt (webpage); Mark Knutson (advisor)

Bell ringers, Property, Tellers: Ansel Johnson, Jeremy Barber, Glen Jacobs, Judy Embler

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