THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 20, 2025 "A Gentle Correction"

THE WELCOME



(please stand)

THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (Psalm 27:9)

P: In the name of the Father and of the \blacksquare Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

- P: O Lord, hide not Your face from me. Turn not Your servant away in anger,
- C: O You who have been my help. Do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

- P: Let us confess our sins unto the Lord.
- C: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: The almighty and merciful Lord through Jesus our Savior grants you pardon—forgiveness and release you of all your sin and guilt. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ℜ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

(please be seated)

THE PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 27 (ESV)

- P: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- C: The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- P: When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.
- C: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
- P: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in His temple.
- C: For He will hide me in His shelter in the day of trouble; He will conceal me under the cover of His tent; He will lift me high upon a rock.
- P: And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in His tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.
- C: Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me!
- P: You have said, "Seek My face." My heart says to You, "Your face, LORD, do I seek."
- C: Hide not Your face from me. Turn not Your servant away in anger, O You who have been my help.
- P: Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!
- C: For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in. Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.
- P: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!
- C: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P: Let us pray. Gracious God, You come to us through the Word. Keep us from all that distracts us from You, and by Your Spirit, open our heart and minds to pay attention to You, whom we need more than anything else in the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 18:1-10a, 10b-14 (ESV)

And the LORD appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in Your sight, do not pass by Your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash Your feet, and rest Yourselves under the tree, while I bring a morsel of bread, that You may refresh Yourselves, and after that You may pass on—since You have come to Your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, "Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes." And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "She is in the tent." The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE Colossians 1:21-29 (ESV)

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister. Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of His body, that is, the church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the Word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to His saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the Hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all His energy that He powerfully works within me.

- P: This is the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

THE VERSE (sung) (page 156 in the hymnal)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to His teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



THE SERMON *"A Gentle Correction"* Text: Luke 10:38-42

(please stand)

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS (LSB #805)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(Each petition concludes with the response: "Let us pray to the Lord:" "Lord, have mercy.")

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

- P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. (1 Corinthians 11:26)
- C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. (Revelation 22:20)
- P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 forever and ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: Amen.

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THE DISMISSAL

- P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart 承 in peace.
- C: Amen.

THE POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty Father, that Your gracious hand has served us once again. Through Jesus Christ, we are richly blessed! We now ask that the blessing of this feast may remain with us. May Your Word be our life and our light. We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord lift up His countenance on you and ቑ give you peace.
- C: Amen.

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

2025 "Epic Australian Adventure" VBS Staff

Preschool: Teachers: Caitlyn Andresen, Jacee Jepsen & Josie Jepsen

<u>Kindergarten — 1st Grade</u>: <u>Teachers</u>: Kaitlyn Bruhn, Angie Ellis, Rachel Jacobson Kasey Lee & Izzi Miller

2nd — 3rd Grades: Teachers: Amanda Ashbrook & Laura Ernst

4th — 6th Grades: Teacher: Jerry Ernst, Barb Ernst, Ryan Ernst & Leroy Hight

Opening and Closing Devotions: Tayten Kline & Megan Reetz

Experiment/Exploration: Teachers: Morgan Wood, Ty Jacobson & Gavin Schneider

Music: Megan Reetz & Tayten Kline

<u>Food</u>: <u>Coordinator</u>: Lila Bubke <u>Helpers</u>: Tracy Beeck, Amanda Bruhn, Chris Mahnken, Julie Petersen, Diana Schultz

Recreation: Maria Valdez & Karsen Bruhn

Decorations: Combined Effort

Video/Technical: Pastor Mahnken

Directors: Nan Bornhoft & Laura Ernst



A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way with our Vacation Bible School week. However you helped, whether in gifts of your time, talents, money, donations of snacks or crafts, and especially your prayers, we appreciate and thank you. Special thanks to Dairy Queen for donating ice cream, spoons and straws, KCK's, and Pizza Ranch. We are also thankful for the use of a Thrivent Action Team Card used in support of our Vacation Bible School this year.

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Root beer floats were served following the closing program. We thank the members of our Board of Education who helped serve this treat!