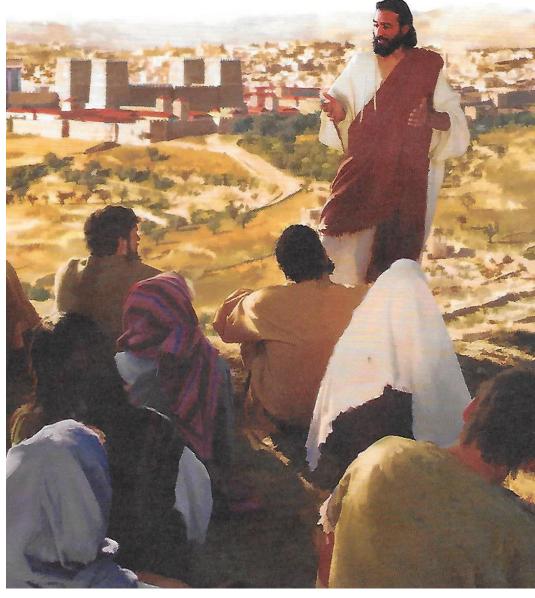
6th Sunday After Pentecost July 9, 2023 8:15 Matins





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About the Cover: In the midst of unrest among nations, Jesus has come to speak peace. His peace is not like what the world promises. His peace is eternal and secured by His cross and resurrection for the forgiveness of sins. Jesus continues to speak peace to the nations through His Church through His Word and Sacraments. His yoke is easy, and His burden is light (Matthew 11:30).

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Ringing of the Bells, Prelude

Confession & Absolution: The Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life

→ everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign

LSB 832

- Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
 Does its successive journeys run;
 His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
 Till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head; His name like sweet perfume shall rise With ev'ry morning sacrifice.
- People and realms of ev'ry tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song; And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.
- 4 Blessings abound where'er He reigns: The pris'ners leap, unloose their chains, The weary find eternal rest, And all who suffer want are blest.
- 5 Let ev'ry creature rise and bring Honors peculiar to our King; Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud amen.

Versicles

O Lord, open my lips,

and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

make haste to help me, O 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.

Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

The Lord has enlightened us in the true faith.

O come, let us worship Him.

Venite LSB 220

O come, let us sing to the Lord,

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving,

let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God

and a great king above all gods.

The deep places of the earth are in His hand;

the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, for He made it,

and His hand formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the Lord, our maker.

For He is our God,

and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

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 Lord has enlightened us in the true faith.

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Psalmody

Psalm 91:2, 9–10; antiphon: v. 1

He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*

will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my | fortress," my God, in | whom I trust."

Because you have made the LORD your | dwelling place—*

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,*
no plague come | near your tent.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*
will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

LSB 699

- I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "Come unto Me and rest;
 Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
 Thy head upon My breast."
 I came to Jesus as I was,
 So weary, worn, and sad;
 I found in Him a resting place,
 And He has made me glad.
- I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "Behold, I freely give
 The living water; thirsty one,
 Stoop down and drink and live."
 I came to Jesus, and I drank
 Of that life-giving stream;
 My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
 And now I live in Him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
 "I am this dark world's light.
 Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
 And all thy day be bright."
 I looked to Jesus, and I found
 In Him my star, my sun;
 And in that light of life I'll walk
 Till trav'ling days are done.

Old Testament Lesson

Zechariah 9:9-12

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

 $^{10}\mathrm{I}$ will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

¹¹As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

¹²Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

Instrumental Solo: The Lord, my God, be Praised

LSB 794

- 1 The Lord, my God, be praised,
 My light, my life from heaven;
 My maker, who to me
 Has soul and body given;
 My Father, who will shield
 And keep me day by day
 And make each moment yield
 New blessings on my way.
- 2 The Lord, my God, be praised,
 My trust, my life from heaven,
 The Father's own dear Son,
 Whose life for me was given,
 Who for my sin atoned
 With His most precious blood
 And gives to me by faith
 The highest heav'nly good.
- 3 The Lord, my God, be praised,
 My hope, my life from heaven,
 The Spirit, whom the Son
 In love to me has given.
 His grace revives my heart
 And gives my spirit pow'r,
 Help, comfort, and support
 In sorrow's gloomy hour.

Epistle Romans 7:14–25a

¹⁴We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel Matthew 11:25–30

²⁵At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

O Lord, have mercy on us.

Thanks be to God.

Responsory LSB 221

Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

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

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Sermon: The Yoke of Refreshment and Rest

Matthew 11:25-30

Te Deum LSB 223

We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.

All the earth now worships You, the Father everlasting.

To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.

To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:

Holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise You. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.

The noble army of martyrs praise You.
The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:
The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

You are the king of glory, O Christ; You are the everlasting Son of the Father.

When You took upon Yourself to deliver man, You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin. When You had overcome the sharpness of death, You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father. We believe that You will come to be our judge.

We therefore pray You to help Your servants, whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood. Make them to be numbered with Your saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage. Govern them and lift them up forever. Day by day we magnify You. And we worship Your name forever and ever.

Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

- O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
- O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

An offering plate is placed in the narthex where you may leave a gift for the Lord's work.

Kyrie LSB 227

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Lord's Prayer

Collects

O Lord, hear my prayer. **And let my cry come to You.**

Collect of the Day

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Benedicamus & Benediction

LSB 228

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Hymn: Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

LSB 707

Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways
To keep His statutes still!Oh, that my God would grant me grace
To know and do His will!

- Order my footsteps by Thy Word
 And make my heart sincere;
 Let sin have no dominion, Lord,
 But keep my conscience clear.
- Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
 A stricter watch to keep;
 And should I e'er forget Thy way,
 Restore Thy wand'ring sheep.
- 4 Make me to walk in Thy commands—
 'Tis a delightful road—
 Nor let my head or heart or hands
 Offend against my God.

THANKS TO THOSE ASSISTING WITH THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Wilfred L. Karsten

Preacher: Vicar James Martin
Organist: Lynette Karsten

Instrumentalist: Max Serre

Elders: 8:15 Ben Brondos; 10:45 Rich Kraft

Wednesday evening 7:00 Dale Farmer

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This Week's Activities, God Willing

Sunday, July 9	8:15 a.m.	Matins
	9:30 a.m.	SS/BC
	10:45 a.m.	Divine Service HC
	2:00 p.m.	Overlook Devotions
Monday	6:00 p.m.	Christian Care Devotions and Dinner
Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Vicar's Bible Class
	5:30 p.m.	Property Committee meeting
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Fitness Exercise
	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour Fellowship
	4:30 p.m.	Hand bells
	5:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service HC
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Pastor's Class
	12:30 p.m.	LWML
Sunday July 16	8:15 a.m.	Divine Service HC
	9:30 a.m.	SS/BC
	10:45 a.m.	Matins
	2:00 p.m.	Rock Island Circuit Forum-Holy Cross

Per HIPPA privacy regulations, if you put someone on the prayer list, please make sure you have first secured their permission to do so.

Prayer List

Prayer List emphasis for today: Those with serious health concerns

Home from River Crossing: Sieg Paulsen

Undergoing surgery tomorrow: Phyllis Murdock *Members with cancer:* Robert Jahns, Rev. Murdock

Birthdays

7/9 Craig Revel, Alma Sigler, Vicki Welvaert; 7/10 Claude Lohse; 7/11 Melissa Brondos Ryan Noard; 7/12 Lily Eastman; 7/13 Patricia Barr; 7/14 August Kretschmar; 7/15 Liberty Mahlburg

The altar flowers are provided by Bob and Jokie Bretl in blessed thanks for 49 years of marriage.

Our Mid-week Wednesday evening services continue. If you are out of town or not able to attend on Sunday morning, this is the perfect opportunity to be able to be present at the service for that week. The order of service will follow the 10:45 format. Services will continue through August 30th.

Pantry Sunday continues through this week. Our in-gathering is for Cristo Rey.

Please remember them as you do your shopping for the week. Some of their needs are rice, flour, dry cereal, beans, tortillas and laundry soap for example.

Our monthly Christian Care dinner and Devotion is tomorrow evening. If you can contribute a dessert, some fruit or give of your time and talent to serve, please take this opportunity to sign the sheet in the entryway.

In conjunction with the National Convention of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod this summer, individuals and congregations of our Church Body have the opportunity to participate in a special National Offering, designated to support the translation and production of meaningful Lutheran resources in languages other than English. Forms are available in the entryway.

The congregations of the Central Illinois District Rock Island Circuit will hold a **Circuit Forum** on Sunday July 14 at 2:00 at Holy Cross to discuss resolutions that will come before the convention. Any interested person may attend the Forum. The list of initial resolutions are available at <u>this link</u>, or look for *Today's Business* on the LCMS Convention webpage.

Wednesday –**Fitness and Fellowship**. Come join in for the 20-minute chair exercises that start at 10:00 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. is Coffee Hour Fellowship with friends. Coffee, tea, and treats are served. Everyone is invited! Questions? Contact Marcia Green.

Dollar for Missions: A Dollar for Missions invites each of us to contribute one extra dollar per week for designated mission projects in our Central Illinois District. The current project is to help one of our campus ministries, University Lutheran Church in Champaign, to purchase a 12-passenger van. Project cost: \$35,000. [See the short video at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTJMrriQtV8]

Vicar Martin will give his final sermon here on July 30th. We will have a going away picnic for him and his family following 2nd Service. There is a sheet in the entryway where you can sign up to bring a side dish, a salad or a dessert, if you choose to.

TRUTH, GOODNESS & BEAUTY... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: End Times Teachings, What Is Real Science? The Vocation of Midwife, Pastoral Care and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

PRAYER LIST

Please help to keep this list current by calling the church office when a name may be added or removed.

Members in Facilities: Cedarhurst, Moline-Susan Wyant, Patricia Barr; Crosstown, Silvis- Barb Noah; Park Vista- Gordon Sellmann; Woodridge Supportive Living, Galesburg- Dick Ristau; Illini Restorative Care- Henry Setton; Friendship Manor- Dick Hochstetler, Phyllis Thorngren

Serving in the Military: Alexa Ellis (daughter of Tera Elliott, granddaughter of Mike and Cheryl McLaughlin), Logan Noard (son of Kyle and Marilyn Noard), Stephen Waugaman (grandson of Donna Knudtson), Cameron Moore (grandson of Lew & Maria Steinbrecher), Matthew Glider (grandson of Doris Glider), Andrew Tolley (son of Carole Tolley), David Revel (son of Craig & Laurie Revel), Jeffrey Teuscher (nephew of Willie Swain), Austin Cox (grandson-in-law of Sieg Paulsen), Matthew Patterson (son-in-law of Mike Waters), Leith Masri, (grandson of Marian Jones), Jakob Ryckeghem (grandson of Connie McKean).

Members of the congregation receiving treatment for cancer: Bob Jahns, Rev. Murdock

Friends of the congregation receiving treatment for Cancer: Natalie Nelson (daughter of Gregg & Tami Winter) Kate Stuenkel, Lisa Crawford, Joanne Lyons, Dave Patterson, Harold Foster, Judy Knudsen, Jeana McAllister, Mary Lou.

Serious Health Concerns: Kris Noah, Edgar Johnson, Susan Raber, Isla Galliart, Emily Scott, Dennis Rusk, Emily Brown, Richard Geisler, John David Ferrell, Heidi Sias, Maureen DeLassus, Kelly Teuscher, Kenny Lackey, Gwen Shrake, Pam and Bill, friends of Gwen Shrake.

Recovering/Ongoing Health Concerns: Scarlet Durbin, Phyllis Murdock, Sherri Lohse, Barb Ridnour, Vicki Broberg, Barb Noah, David Kramer, Donald Dawson, Kristine Westmoreland, Rev. Cecil Murdock, Kathrine Hopkins, Beryl Edwards, Vickie Shrake, Helen White, Gary Johnson, Fred Poe, Carol Ferrell, Susan Jamieson, Joshua Duburg, Sieg Paulsen, Cindy Davenport.