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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 9, 2023

Matins (p.219)

The Preservice Music, Call to Worship & Welcome

Opening Hymn 645 “Built on the Rock”

Common Versicles

LSB 219

Venite

LSB 220

Prayer of the Day

Office Hymn 699 “I Heard the Voice of Jesus” (Melody is TLH 277)

- 1** 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.
- 2** 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.

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Old Testament Reading

Psalm 145:1-14

☒ A reading from Psalm, chapter 145.

- 1 I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
 - 2 Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.
 - 3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.
 - 4 One generation shall commend your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
 - 5 On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
 - 6 They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,
and I will declare your greatness.
 - 7 They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
 - 8 The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
 - 9 The LORD is good to all,
and his mercy is over all that he has made.
 - 10 All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!
 - 11 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,
 - 12 to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
 - 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.
- The LORD is faithful in all his words

and kind in all his works.
¹⁴The LORD upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

A Song: Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Verse

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

Chorus

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

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The Epistle Reading

Romans 8:1-11

L A reading from Romans, chapter 8.

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin

in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. ⁸Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. ⁹You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 11:25-30

P A reading from Matthew, chapter 11.

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."

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Hymn: 684 "Come unto Me, Ye Weary"

Sermon

Offering: A Song "Give Thanks"

Chorus

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son (2 Xs)

Verse

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us (2Xs)

Ending

Give thanks, Give thanks

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Te Deum

LSB 223

The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Grace

Closing Hymn: 920 "Forth in the Peace of Christ I Go"

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This Week at St. James

- Today (7/9)** Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM
Worship – 9:30 AM
Bible Study – 11:00 AM
F.I.F Meeting – 11:00 AM
- Friday (7/14)**Pastors Day Off – 9:00 AM
- Sunday (7/16)**..... Gizmo on FB – 8:00 AM
Worship – 9:30 AM
Bible Study – 11:00 AM

Looking Ahead

Serving Today (7/9)

Officiant Rev. Dr. Glenn Schaeffer
Lector..... Charles Kirt
Organist..... Beth McKay
Deacon(s) Jerry Talen
Ushers..... Bryan Ensing / Orlin Bowman/ Jim McKay
Video/Sound/Recording..... Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
July Altar Guild..... Phyllis Schultz

Serving Next Sunday (7/16)

Lector..... Marjie Weiss
Organist..... Beth McKay
Deacon(s) Craig Popma / Bryan Ensing
Ushers..... Dale and Grace Rosema / Derren Kippen
Video/Sound/Recording..... Nathan Urbanski/John & Marjie Weiss
July Altar Guild..... Phyllis Schultz

Financial Discipleship: July 2, 2023

General Fund	\$7,275.00
<i>Needed each week for budget \$5,769.00 (+\$1506.00)</i>	
Building Fund	\$175.00
Tessaro Ministry	\$45.00
TOTAL Contributions	\$7,495.00

Announcements

Study Jesus' Parables with Pastor Schaeffer! When we read the Gospels, we see the wonderful things our Savior has done for us. We see His perfect life, His innocent death, and His glorious resurrection. We know that He did all this for us and saved us by His work. We see another facet of His ministry as well when we read the Gospels: we see Him as teacher. One of the common teaching methods He used was the parable. Some of our favorite Bible stories may be parables. Pastor Schaeffer will begin a 12-week study of some of Jesus' most beloved parables starting July 16th. Some of the parables we will study include: The Prodigal Son, the Sower, the Rich Fool, the Good Samaritan, and the Ten

Virgins, among others. The study will take place on Sunday mornings following the worship service. We will also make the study available on Zoom for those who may be unable to attend in person but want to participate in it. You will need to let Pastor know that you want to be part of the Zoom community so that he can email you a link every week. The study will also be recorded and posted to our St. James' website, so you can watch it when you have time to do so.

Lectors Sign Up Sheet The signup sheet is out in the lobby by the church office. Please sign up if you are willing to read as a lector in church.

Painters Needed: ISJ needs some of the classrooms painted. Please contact Dale Rosema if you are willing to help.

Mark Your Calendar: for Tuesday, August 15th from 6-8 pm! This is the day St. James will presents the 2023 Back to School Block Party:



Start the School Year ... on the Right Note

The event will center on the theme of Psalm 96:1 *"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth."*

Plan now to join in the fun! Sign up to help serve hot dogs and ice cream. Sign up to help with the obstacle course, games, crafts, and music. Sign up to bake cookies for the cookie walk. You can also help with the event by purchasing back packs and school supplies which will be used as game prizes. Stay tuned for further details!

Portal of Prayers: Please grab a Portals of Prayer in the church lobby. Grab one for a friend or neighbor.