

## 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*

## Benediction

### Three-fold Amen

### Closing Hymn

*Servants Prayer*

Words Below

Lord it's you who has brought me to this day, Who has carried and kept me in your care  
I look back and I see you in all my years, And so forward I go knowing you are there

### CHORUS

**May each word from my lips be a song of good news**

**Every touch of my hand be a gift of grace**

**Every beat of my heart be a prayer to you**

**And the sum of my days be a life of praise**

May my feet never stumble and never stray, Nor grow weary upon this rocky road  
For the path I am on is a narrow way, But I know you are with me so on I go

### CHORUS

May my eyes ever fixed on your kingdom be, As my heart ever longs for joy to come  
For my hope is in things that I cannot see, But because of your promise I press on

### Sending:

P: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord

**C: Thanks Be to God!**

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***Welcome! We are glad you are with us today!!***

*"If you do not have a church home, you are welcome here. If you would like to become a member, contact any member or the church office."*

Sunday, July 9, 2023; 9:30 am

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

### Prelude

### Welcome/Announcements

### Sharing of the Peace/Invocation

### Call to Worship

L: Live in God's love!

**P: Let that love be poured out for all God's people!**

L: Bring hope and peace to all whom you meet.

**P: We are called to accept the gifts we have been given!**

L: Celebrate and rejoice.

**P: Praise be to God who has called, healed, defended and given us the mission of peace. AMEN.**

### Opening Song

### Prayer of the Day (All)

**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

Dennis Moritz

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall command peace to the nations;  
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

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

## Second Lesson

Romans 7:15-25a

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

## Alleluia Song

### Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

*(Response after the announcement: **Glory to you, O Lord.**)*

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup>“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup>“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.”

<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes,

Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All 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.

<sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*(Response after the conclusion: **Praise to you, O Christ.**)*

## Children’s Sermon

Bruce Bonander

## Sermon

Kari Sorenson

## Song of the Day

## 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**

**Offering** *(The children’s offering basket will be on the front steps of the church, so that they can in yet another way feel involved in Sunday worship)*



## Offertory Song

## Prayers of the Church