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## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 1, 2018

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### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

**THEME:** The beloved hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness," based on today's Old Testament Reading, is engraved on the hearts of many. But why the popularity? It's because the great faithfulness of God gives hope in the midst of suffering. It speaks of God's faithfulness and presence specifically to me when bad things happen. The hymn reminds us that there is no suffering we endure where Jesus is not at the right hand of God interceding for us, and there is no suffering we bear that Jesus has not ultimately overcome.

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING BLESSING

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*~Silence for reflection~*

P: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: God, our heavenly Creator, hears the prayers of all people and answers those prayers. Our prayer for forgiveness is answered in the person and work of Jesus Christ, who died for our sin that we might have new life. By the command of Jesus, I forgive you all of your sins—in the name of the Father, and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **KYRIE**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us  
pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen**

## **THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

P: This is the feast of victory for our God Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, while in this world, we have suffering,

**C: give us eyes of faith to see that in the midst of suffering we have hope because of Your great faithfulness and love for us;**

P: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**Old Testament Reading:**

**Lamentations 3:22-33**

*The great faithfulness of the Lord*

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul who seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.

It is good for a man that he bear  
the yoke in his youth.

Let him sit alone in silence  
when it is laid on him;  
let him put his mouth in the dust—  
there may yet be hope;  
let him give his cheek to the one who strikes,  
and let him be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not  
cast off forever,  
but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
for he does not afflict from his heart  
or grieve the children of men.

**HOLY GOSPEL:**

[Mark 5:21-43](#)

*Jesus heals the woman and the girl.*

And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

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### **SERMON HYMN: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

1. "Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not,  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be. - Refrain  
    "Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!"  
    Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
    All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
    "Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord unto me!
2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness mercy and love.  
    "Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!"  
    Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
    All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
    "Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord unto me!

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
"Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!"  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
"Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord unto me!

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## **SERMON**

*"Waiting on the Lord"*

*Pastor Jeremy Lucke*

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### **CONFESSING OUR FAITH**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,**

**And is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again 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.**

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## **OFFERINGS GATHERED**

*We give our offerings as a sign of our lives given to the Lord in humble service.*

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### **PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

P: Let us come before our faithful God and Father in heaven in prayer.

O God our Father, give us hope in the midst of suffering as we remember Your great faithfulness and mercy with each new day. Great is Thy faithfulness,

**C: Lord, unto me!**

P: O God our Father, bless Your people with zeal as we seek to make disciples of all nations, baptizing, preaching, teaching, and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Great is Thy faithfulness,

**C: Lord, unto me!**

P: O God our Father, grant wisdom to all Christian parents as they fulfill the vocation You have given to them. Help them to raise their children so that Your Word would be a lamp to their feet and a light for their path. Great is Thy faithfulness,

**C: Lord, unto me!**

P: O God our Father, according to your will, grant healing and restoration to those who are suffering, (especially...). Strengthen all caregivers that they would be encouraged in body and spirit as they care for those they love. Great is Thy faithfulness,

**C: Lord, unto me!**

P: O God our Father, strengthen the marriages of husbands and wives, that their selfless love for each other be a reflection of Your Son's great love for the Church. Great is Thy faithfulness,

**C: Lord, unto me!**

P: Into Your hands, O God our faithful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy.

**C: Amen.**

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## **PREFACE**

P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## **SANCTUS**

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **DISTRIBUTION** (Music)

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

### **"Glorify Thy Name"**

Father, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Jesus, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth,

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.



Spirit, we love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth,  
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.  
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

### *"Blessed Assurance"*

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, This is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.
2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, This is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.
3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, This is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.

*"He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"*

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He leadeth me, O blessed thought!  
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!

Whate'er I do, wher-e'er I be,  
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,  
By His own hand He leadeth me;  
His faithful follower I would be,  
For by His hand He leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine,  
Nor ever murmur nor repine;

Content whatever lot I see,  
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,  
By His own hand He leadeth me;  
His faithful follower I would be,  
For by His hand He leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done,  
When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won,  
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,  
Still God through Jordan leadeth me.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me,  
By His own hand He leadeth me;  
His faithful follower I would be,  
For by His hand He leadeth me.

**BENEDICTION**

P: Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## **CLOSING SONG: “Built on the Rock”**

Built on the rock the Church doth stand,  
Even when steeples are falling;  
Crumbled have spires in every land,  
Bells still are chiming and calling-  
Calling the young and old to rest,  
Calling the souls of men distressed,  
Longing for life everlasting.

We are God’s house of living stones,  
Built for His own habitation;  
He fills our hearts, His humble thrones,  
Granting us life and salvation;  
Were two or three to seek His face,  
He in their midst would show His grace,  
Blessings upon them bestowing.

Yet in this house, an earthly frame,  
Jesus, His children is blessing;  
Hither we come to praise His name,  
Faith in our Savior confessing;  
Jesus to us His Spirit sent,  
Making with us His covenant,  
Granting His children the kingdom.

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **POST-SERVICE MUSIC**