

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 5, 2020

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**Cong: Amen.**

Pastor: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin. Reconciling God,

**Cong: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Pastor: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

**Cong: Amen.**

## ENTRANCE HYMN

***What a Friend We Have in Jesus.....LBW #439***

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness--take it to the Lord in prayer.
3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge--take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

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## GREETING

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

**Cong: And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray....

**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.**

**HOLY SCRIPTURE**

**First Lesson: Zechariah 9:9-12  
Psalm 145: 8-14**

**Second Lesson: Romans 7: 15-25a  
Gospel: Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30**

**SERMON**

*Intern Pastor Christman*

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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 into hell. 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 catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY HYMN**

***Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory.....ELW #890***

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:  
his truth is marching on.

*Refrain*

*Glory, glory! Hallelujah! Glory, glory! Hallelujah!  
Glory, glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on.*

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.  
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!  
Our God is marching on.

*Refrain*

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.  
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,  
while God is marching on.

*Refrain*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Pastor: Let us Pray....

**All: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.**

**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; 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.**

**FINAL BLESSING**

Pastor: God, the creator ✠, Jesus, the Christ, and Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**Cong: Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN**

***The Lord Now Sends Us Forth.....ELW #538***

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
To make of all the earth a better place to live.

The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,  
To make of all the earth a better place to live.

The angels are not sent into our world of pain  
To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;  
That falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.

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To do what we were meant to do in Jesus' name;  
That falls to you and me and all who are made free.  
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today.

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**DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Cong: Thanks be to God.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please pray for . the needs of our brothers and sisters here at Grace and around the world, especially Dave Mengel.

Please keep the Spearing family in your prayers at the passing of Millie Spearing into the Church Triumphant.

Today’s **Flowers** are given by Pastor and Kathy To the Glory of God.

Today’s **Bulletins** are given by Harry and Karen Baker in celebration of their 44th Wedding Anniversary.