

# CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Celebrating 93 Years in Forest Hills

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## The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### ORDER OF SERVICE

**Prayer on entering church:** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

#### PRELUDE

Largo on "Showalter"

Gene Clarke

#### RINGING OF THE BELLS/ WELCOME

Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?  
 Fields are white and harvests waiting-Who will bear the sheaves away?"  
 Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee.  
 Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?

If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul,  
 You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all.  
 If you cannot rouse the wicked With the judgment's dread alarms,  
 You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.

If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion's wall,  
 Pointing out the path to heaven, Off'ring life and peace to all,  
 With your prayers and with your bounties You can do what God commands;  
 You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet's hands.

Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"  
 While the multitudes are dying And the Master calls for you,  
 Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure be;  
 Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

## CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS

### INVOCATION

*The sign of the cross (+) may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
 C: **Amen.**

### CONFESSION<sup>1</sup>

P: Our Help is in the name of the Lord.  
 C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
 C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

*(We take a moment of silence before the Lord as we call to mind how we have not properly loved Him, ourselves, or other people.)*

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess unto You that we are sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. We therefore flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end, that by Your grace, we may receive the crown of eternal life in Your Kingdom of Glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Do you believe that my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?

C: **Yes, so I believe.**

P: Let it be done for you as you believe.

As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymnal p. 790, sts. 1, 5

### **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!**

**O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation!**

**Let all who hear Now to His temple draw near,**

**Joining in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!**

**All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!**

**Let the Amen Sound from His people again;**

**Gladly forever adore Him!**

## COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of Your apostles and prophets You have proclaimed to us Your saving will. Grant us faith to believe Your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Exodus 19:2-8

L: The first reading is from Exodus chapter nineteen.

*God's people are to be a kingdom of priests.*

*Following the reading...*

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALMODY

### Psalm 100

L: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,  
and His faithfulness to all generations.

C: **For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,  
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

C: **For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,  
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

L: Know that the Lord, He is God!

It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the  
sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!  
Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

**C: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,  
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

**A: 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.**

## **SECOND READING**

Romans 5:6–15

L: The second reading is from chapter five of Romans.

*Christ died for us while we were still sinners.*

*Following the reading...*

L: This is the Word of our Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 9:35–10:8

P: The Holy Gospel is according to St. Matthew chapter nine.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

*Jesus calls and then sends out His disciples.*

*Following the reading...*

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED<sup>2</sup>**

**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.**

**Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spoken, written, mighty Word;**

**Ev'rywhere His creatures call To His heav'nly banquet hall.**

**Tell how God the Father's will Made the world, upholds it still,**

**How His own dear Son He gave us from sin and death to save.**

**Tell of our Redeemer's grace, Who, to save our human race**

**And to pay rebellion's price, Gave Himself as sacrifice.**

**Tell of God the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n,  
Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.**

**Enter, mighty Word, the field; Ripe the promise of its yield.**

**But the reapers, oh, how few For the work there is to do!**

**Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind;**

**Let the gath'ring nations all See Your light and heed Your call.**

### **SERMON<sup>3</sup>**

### **OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

### **VOLUNTARY**

Not Unto Us

William Braun

### **OFFERING SONG**

Hymnal p. 783 sts. 1, 4 & 6

**Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;**

**Take my moments and my days. Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my silver and my gold. Not a mite would I withhold;**

**Take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.**

**Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store;**

**Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us pray for ourselves, the church, and the world.

*Following each petition:*

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

P: Almighty God, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that He may rule and direct us according to Your will, strengthen us in all our temptations, afflictions and sorrows, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth that we might continue steadfast in faith, may increase in all good works and in the end join You in Your everlasting kingdom of glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord look upon you with His favor and (†) give you His peace.

**C: Amen.**

**Guide me, O Thou great Redeemer, Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;  
Feed me till I want no more.**

**Open now the crystal fountain Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through. Strong  
deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, Be Thou still my strength and shield;  
Be Thou still my strength and shield.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of  
death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee;  
I will ever give to Thee.**

**Prayer after worship:** Almighty and merciful God, I have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for my many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. I thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep me in faith until, with all Your saints, I inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

## POSTLUDE

Monument

James Michael Stevens

<sup>1</sup>*The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."* John 20:22-23. We take heart that the absolution proclaimed by the pastor is as from the Lord Himself.

<sup>2</sup>*It is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.* Romans 10:10. Our response to the Word of God that has just been read is our confession of faith in the one, true, triune God.

<sup>3</sup>Martin Luther teaches us about hearing the Word: "Know, therefore, that you must be concerned not only about hearing, but also about learning and retaining it in memory, and do not think that it is optional with you or of no great importance, but that it is God's commandment, who will require of you how you have heard, learned, and honored His Word." (Large Catechism) *Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!* Luke 11:28

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