THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 19, 2020

The Sung Responses are from The Lutheran Hymnal (RED BOOK).
The Hymns are found on the inserts.

Please stand at the appropriate times.

9:30 AM HOLY COMMUNION

THE ORGAN PRELUDE THE WELCOME

THE OPENING HYMN NO. 1 - "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" (Please stand to stanza 5)

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- C: Who made heaven and earth.
- P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.
- C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.
- C: O Almighty God, Merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them. and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.
- C: Amen.

THE INTROIT (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: Give ear, O LORD, / to my prayer;* listen to my / plea for grace.
- C: Teach me Your way, O LORD, that I may walk / in Your truth;* unite my heart to / fear Your name.
- P: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with / my whole heart,* and I will glorify Your name for-/ ever.
- C: For great is Your steadfast / love toward me;*
 You have delivered my soul from the depths / of Sheol.
- P: O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men / seek my life,* and they do not set You be- / fore them.
- C: But You, O Lord, are a God merciful and / gracious,* slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and / faithfulness.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THEKYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

- P: Glory be to God on high:
- C: And on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory. O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- P: Let us pray. O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Thy Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Thy final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with Thee in perfect joy hereafter; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. C: Amen. (Be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 44:6-8

- A: This the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL (Pastor and Congregation chant alternately)

- P: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and know- / ledge of God!*
 How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable / His ways!
- C: For from Him and through Him and to Him are / all things.*
 To Him be glory forever. / Amen.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 8:18-27

- A: This the Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

THE TRIPLE HALLELUJAH: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

THE GOSPEL ACCOUNT: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

- C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.
- P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures;

And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and
the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge
one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection
of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Be seated after making confession of our faith)

THE SERMON HYMN NO. 425 - "All Depends on Our Possessing"
(Please stand to sing stanza 6)

THE SERMON - "Not Worth Comparing."
Text: Romans 8:18-27

(Stand)

THE OFFERTORY

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

After each petition the pastor will say "Lord, in Your mercy." Congregation responds with "Hear our prayer."

THE PREFACE OF HOLY COMMUNION (pages 24-27)

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C: It is meet and right so to do.
- P: It is truly meet, right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us (continued on page 5)

from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

C: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P: 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:
- C: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE PAX DOMINI

P: The peace of the Lord be with you alway!

C: Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. (Be seated)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn No. 376 - "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Hymn No. 396 - "Oh, for a Faith That Will Not Shrink"

Hymn No. 447 - "Fight the Good Fight with all Thy Might"

(Stand)

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation:

which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING

- P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.
- C: And His mercy endureth forever.
- P: We give thanks to Thee, Almighty God, that Thou hast refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech Thee that of Thy mercy Thou wouldst strengthen us through the same in faith toward Thee and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
- C: Amen.

THE SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And with thy spirit.
- P: Bless we the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless thee and keep thee.

The Lord make His face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

C: Amen, Amen, Amen. (Be seated)

THE CLOSING HYMN NO. 446 - "Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"

The Presiding Minister - Rev. James A. Haugen, Jr.

The Assistant

- Rich Dyke

The Organist

- Karen Kostelnik

The Head Usher

- Steve Szucs

Caring for the Altar

- Rhea Browning

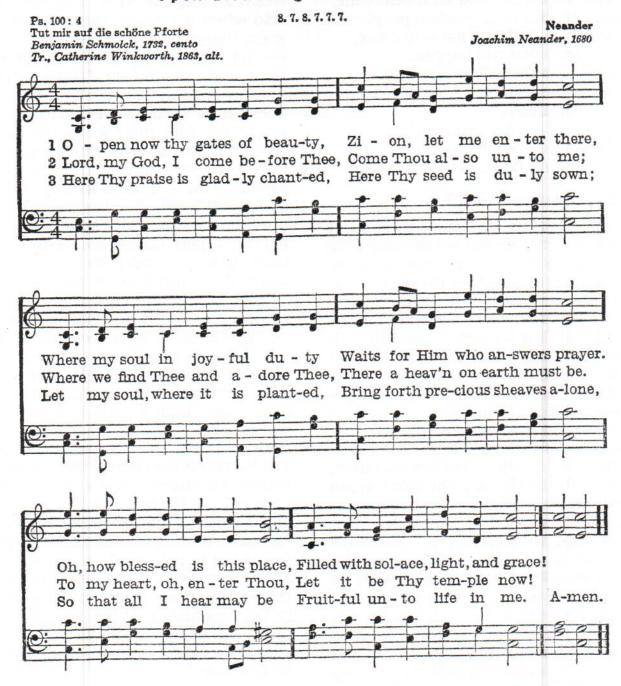
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The Mymns

Adoration

OPENING OF SERVICE

Open How Thy Gates of Beauty



- Let me keep Thy gift divine, Howsoe'er temptations thicken; May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guiding star through life, As my comfort in my strife.
- 4 Thou my faith increase and quicken, 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear Thee, Let Thy will be done indeed; May I undisturbed draw near Thee While Thou dost Thy people feed. Here of life the fountain flows, Here is balm for all our woes.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44:6-8

- 6 Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
 - "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god.
- Who is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and set it before me, since I appointed an ancient people.

Let them declare what is to come, and what will happen.

8 Fear not, nor be afraid;

have I not told you from of old and declared it?

And you are my witnesses!
Is there a God besides me?
There is no Rock; I know not any."

Epistle: Romans 8:18-27

18For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. 19For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. 23And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. 24For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴[Jesus] put another parable before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. 26So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. 27 And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?' 28He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' So the servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' 29But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. 30Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."...

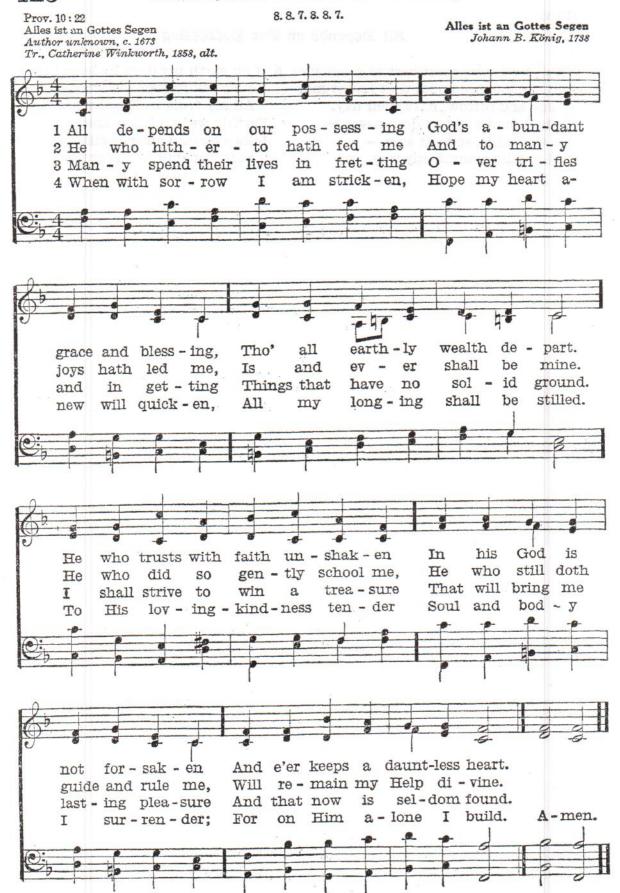
36Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." 37He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. 38The field is the world, and the good seed is the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, 39and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. 40Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. 41The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, 42 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."





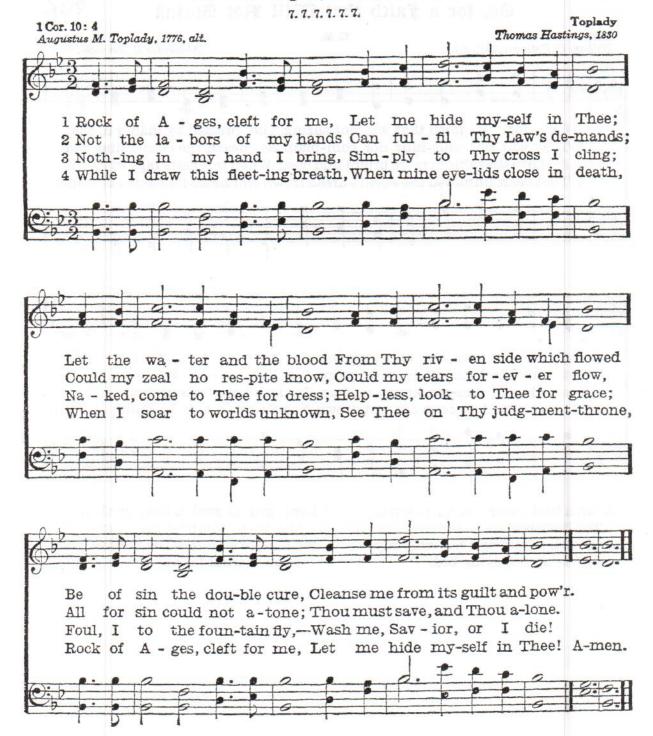
About the Cover: Patience is difficult for those who do not know the reason for waiting; however, our Lord has given God's reason for His National has a purpose. The final day will not be rushed,

HII Depends on Our Possessing



All Depends on Our Possessing

- 5 Well He knows what best to grant me; 6 If on earth my days He lengthen, All the longing hopes that haunt me, Joy and sorrow, have their day. I shall doubt His wisdom never,-As God wills, so be it ever,-I to Him commit my way.
 - He my weary soul will strengthen; All my trust in Him I place. Earthly wealth is not abiding, Like a stream away is gliding; Safe I anchor in His grace.

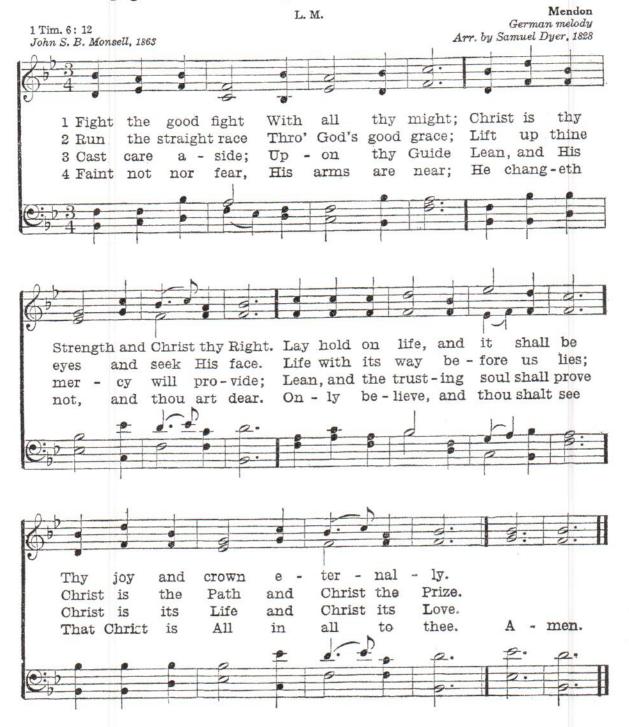




- 5 A faith that keeps the narrow way Till life's last spark is fled And with a pure and heavenly ray Lights up the dying bed.
- 6 Lord, give us such a faith as this; And then, whate'er may come, We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.

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Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might



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Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

- To the Lord unceasing.

 He will free thee, be thy Stay,
 Strength and faith increasing.
 O Lord, bless In distress
 And let nothing swerve me
 From the will to serve Thee.
- 6 Therefore let us watch and pray,
 Knowing He will hear us
 As we see from day to day
 Dangers ever near us,
 And the end Doth impend,—
 Our redemption neareth
 When the Lord appeareth.

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