

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00

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“As a welcoming Body of Christ, we celebrate and share God’s saving grace for all.”

Prelude “You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore” Cesáreo Gabaráin

INTRODUCTION

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the “between”: between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

Welcome and Announcements

Stand – if standing is difficult please feel free to remain seated

Call to Worship

P: Almighty God,

C: ***you rule all the peoples of the earth.***

P: Inspire the minds of all women and men who carry the responsibility of leadership in the nations of the world.

C: ***Give them the vision of justice, and peace, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together.***

P: Give to the people of our country zeal for grace and truth, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will.

C: ***Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts, teach us to love others as you have loved us. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen.***

Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, now and forever whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. ***Amen.***

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

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Reconciling God,

C: ***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.***

P: 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. ***Amen.***

Prayer of the Day

God of the covenant,

in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Sit

Gathering Song "How Great Is Our God"

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty, let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

Refrain

How great is our God! Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

Age to age He stands and time is in His hands, beginning and the end, beginning and the end. The God-Head three in one, the Father, Spirit, Son. The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb. *Refrain*

You're the Name above all names, worthy of all praise

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to Thee
How great thou art, how great thou art! *Refrain*

WORD

Bible Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

A voice said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.² And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.³ He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day.⁴ The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God."⁵ Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: ***Thanks be to God.***

Responsive Reading

Psalms 123

L: To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

C: ***As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.***

L: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

C: ***too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.***

Bible Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows.³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.⁶ But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me,⁷ even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,⁹ but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: ***Thanks be to God.***

Stand

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

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

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:1-13

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.² On the

sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: ***Praise to you, O Christ!***

Sit

Message

Leslee Froehlich

Stand

"Here I Am, Lord"

Number 574

1. "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who well in deepest sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*
3. "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" *Refrain*

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 descended 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.

The Prayers

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence

God of all, through the waters of baptism you claim people of all races, ethnicities, and languages as your beloved children. Open ears and hearts that your gospel may be proclaimed throughout the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C: ***hear our prayer.***

God of freedom, you have liberated us from sin and death and rescue us from all forms of spiritual, social, and political oppression. Direct our freedom for works of liberation and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy,

C: ***hear our prayer.***

God of compassion, you became vulnerable in the person of Jesus Christ in solidarity with the disempowered. Strengthen those who feel faint, give courage to those who fear, and bring wholeness to those in need, especially those we remember aloud or in our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

God of holiness, you send us out into the world to proclaim your love. Equip us as we leave this place to witness and serve our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.
Amen.

Peace

P: The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Sit

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" Katherine L. Bates, Samuel A. Ward

Prayer of Preparation

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

C: ***you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.***

Words of Institution

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 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.

Invitation to Communion

Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace, now and always. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

P: Jesus, Bread of life,

C: ***we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.***

Stand

Benediction

P: May the Lord bless you and protect you.
May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord show you his favor and give you his peace.
Amen.

Sending Song *"Battle Hymn of the Republic"* Number 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 ~~treasure~~ **treasure** 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*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: ***Thanks be to God!***

Today's Flowers – Carol Phillips

On this Independence Day, let us give thanks for the many blessings and privileges we have living in the United States of America

SERVICE

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"Here I Am, Lord"

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"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

Text: Katherine L. Bates; Music: Samuel A. Ward

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

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