

## Memory Verses of the Week

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Matthew 11:28-30



*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
July 5, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.*

## ST. JOHN EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

### OUR VISION:

*We envision a world fed and led by God.*

### OUR MISSION:

*Fed and led by God, we live as a neighbor - in the West Central community, the city of Fort Wayne, and all the world.*

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MONDAY & FRIDAY  
IN OFFICE 8:00 AM-2:00 PM  
TUESDAY-THURSDAY (REMOTELY)  
8:00 AM-3:00 PM**

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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 5, 2020**

**10:00 a.m.**

**P** = Presiding Minister; **A** = Assisting Minister; **C** = Congregation

### **GATHERING**

**Prelude**..... *This Is My Country* - Gene Cokeroff

**Ringing of the Church Bells**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**C:** **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. As a called and ordained minister . . . in the name of the †Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

### The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

*(Please remain in place and maintain physical distancing while you greet those around you in the name of Christ.)*

### Gathering Hymn ..... **WORSHIP BOOK - 888** *“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”*

Vs 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,  
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain:  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

Vs 2 O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern, impassioned stress  
a thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness:  
America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,  
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Vs 3 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,  
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life:  
America! America! May God thy gold refine,  
till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.

Vs 4 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears:  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,  
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

### The Greeting

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

C: **And also with you.**

### Song of Praise..... *“Agnus Dei”*

Alleluia, alleluia; for the Lord God Almighty reigns!  
Alleluia, alleluia; for the Lord God Almighty reigns!  
Alleluia!

Holy! Holy are you Lord God Almighty!  
Worthy is the Lamb!  
Worthy is the Lamb!  
You are holy! Holy are you Lord God Almighty!  
Worthy is the Lamb!  
Worthy is the Lamb!  
Amen!

### The Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.  
C: **And also with you.**

### The Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray, You are great, O God ,  
C: **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.**

## WORD

A Rest That Works Video Journey: *“My Story”*

### Psalm 145: 8-14

A: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
C: **Lord, you are good to all, and your compassion is over all your works.**  
A: All your works shall praise you, O Lord, and your faithful ones shall bless you.  
C: **They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power,**  
A: that all people may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
C: **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages. You, Lord, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.**  
A: The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up those who are bowed down.

**First Reading**.....*Romans 7:15-25a*

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no long-

er I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

A: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel Acclamation ..... WORSHIP BOOK - Setting 4 Page 151**  
*“Alleluia”*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**The Holy Gospel.....Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**  
*(spoken) (text for pastor’s sermon)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup>“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sermon.....Rev. Rod Willeke**



Canticle of Thanksgiving..... **WORSHIP BOOK - 207**  
"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

**Words of Institution**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**C: 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.**

**Communion (in the public gathering or in your own homes)**

*(Lutheran Christians proclaim that Jesus Christ is truly present "in, with and under" the ordinary elements of bread and wine. To receive Holy Communion, therefore, is to receive Christ. All who seek to be nourished in faith and life through the presence and power of the Lord Jesus Christ are welcome to share in this Meal.)*

**Communion Music**.....*Father, We Thank You* - Edwin T. Childs

**Post Communion Blessing**

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, both now and forevermore.

**C: Amen.**

# SENDING

## The Blessing

**Sending Hymn** ..... **WORSHIP BOOK - 890**

*“Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory”*

Vs 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.

Vs 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*

Vs 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*

## Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude** ..... *“America” A Fugue in Five Voices - Eugene Thayer*

**THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADERS (7/5)**

Presiding Minister & Preacher ..... Rev. Rod Willeke  
Assisting Minister..... Deb Waybright  
Organist ..... Martin P. Gigler  
Greeters ..... Sam & Hannah Starrick  
Deacon..... Milt Brown  
Ushers.....Cheryl Kienzle, Terry Kienzle  
Altar Guild..... Linda McGahey, Stacie Stauffer  
Media/Sound ..... Jay Heare, Mike McGahey, Pete Newcomb, Lori Paul

**NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADERS (7/12)**

Presiding Minister & Preacher .....Rev. Paul Offhaus  
Assisting Minister.....Jane Porter Gresham  
Worship Leader ..... Jay Heare  
Greeters ..... Volunteers Needed  
Deacon..... Milt Brown  
Ushers.....Cheryl Kienzle, Terry Kienzle  
Altar Guild..... Linda McGahey, Stacie Stauffer  
Media/Sound ..... Jay Heare, Mike McGahey, Pete Newcomb, Lori Paul

# O Beautiful for Spacious Skies



1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,  
 2 O beau - ti - ful for pil - grim feet, whose stern, im - pas - sioned stress  
 3 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,  
 4 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years



for pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain:  
 a thor - ough - fare for free - dom beat a - cross the wil - der - ness:  
 who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life:  
 thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears:



A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - 'ry flaw,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine,  
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,



and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.  
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law.  
 till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness, and ev - 'ry gain di - vine.  
 and crown thy good with broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea.

Text: Katherine L. Bates, 1859–1929

Music: MATERNA, Samuel A. Ward, 1848–1903

# Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove



1 Come, gra - cious Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove, with light and  
2 The light of truth to us dis - play and make us  
3 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing way, nor let us  
4 Lead us to heav'n, that we may share full - ness of



com - fort from a - bove. Come, be our guard - ian  
know and choose your way; plant ho - ly fear in  
from his pas - tures stray; lead us to ho - li -  
joy for - ev - er there; lead us to our e -



and our guide; o'er ev - 'ry thought and step pre - side.  
ev - 'ry heart, that we from God may ne'er de - part.  
ness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.  
ter - nal rest, to be with God for - ev - er blest.

Text: Simon Browne, 1680–1732, alt.

Music: WAREHAM, William Knapp, 1698–1768