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Matthew 11:28-30

Sunday, July 19, 2020 The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

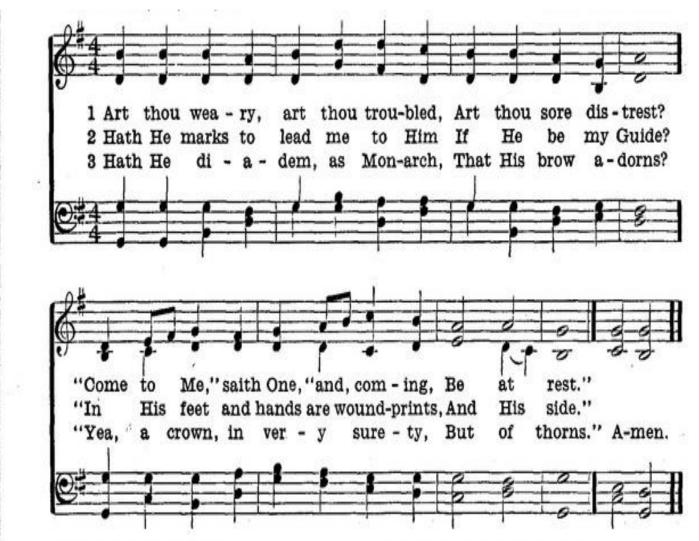
#### **Service Notes:**

- The following psalms in the front of the hymnal (page 64f) will aid you in your meditation before receiving the Lord's Supper: Psalms 34, 42-43, 51, 84, 116, 150. Prayers for preparation for worship are on pages 10 and 11 in the hymnal. A form for preparation for Communion is on page 156.
- Please sign the friendship registry in the pews before the service or during the offering. If you have a prayer request or would like Pastor Schaefer to visit or call you, please note your request.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. Our guests are kindly asked to note that it is our practice to first become a member of our communion fellowship before communing with us. Please speak to our pastor about becoming a member of our communion fellowship.

#### SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Hymnal page 26)

### **OPENING HYMN: #TLH 513** "Art Thou Weary, Art Thou Troubled"



- 4 If I find Him, if I follow,
  What His guerdon here?
  "Many a sorrow, many a labor,
  Many a tear."
- 5 If I still hold closely to Him, What hath He at last? "Sorrow vanquished, labor ended, Jordan passed."
- 6 If I ask Him to receive me,
  Will He say me nay?
  "Not till earth and not till heaven
  Pass away."
- 7 Finding, following, keeping, struggling, Is He sure to bless? "Saints, apostles, prophets, martyrs, Answer, Yes."

Guerdon (**gur**-dn) = reward

**M:** The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called 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.

#### PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)

**M:** For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



**M:** For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



**M:** The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.

#### O LORD, OUR LORD



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M**: Let us pray.

God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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#### THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 33:12-23

<sup>12</sup> Moses said to the LORD, "See, you say to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' <sup>13</sup> Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." <sup>14</sup> And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." <sup>15</sup> And he said to him, "If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. <sup>16</sup> For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?"

<sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight,

and I know you by name."<sup>18</sup> Moses said, "Please show me your glory." <sup>19</sup> And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup> But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live." <sup>21</sup> And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, <sup>22</sup> and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 145**





Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;\* his greatness no one can <u>fath</u>om.

One generation will commend your works to another;\* they will tell of your mighty acts.

The LORD upholds all <u>those</u> who fall\* and lifts up all who are <u>bowed</u> down. *Refrain* 

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time.\* You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

The LORD is near to all who call on him,\* to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;\* he hears their cry and saves them.

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. Refrain

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#### **SECOND LESSON:** Romans 7:15-25a

<sup>15</sup> For 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 with the law, that it is good. <sup>17</sup> So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who 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 right, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup> For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, <sup>23</sup> but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.<sup>24</sup> Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?<sup>25</sup> Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

#### **VERSE OF THE DAY** (sung by the soloist)

Alleluia! Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him." Alleluia! (John 14:23)

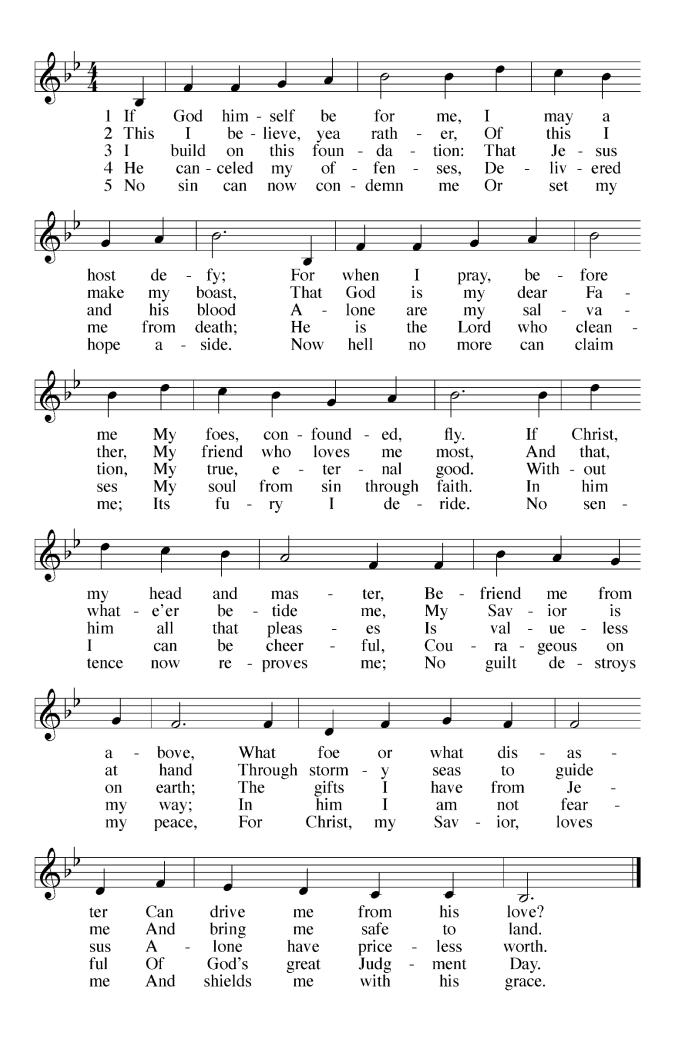
**GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 11:25-30

<sup>25</sup> At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; <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 who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY: #419 "If God Himself Be For Me"



6 No danger, thirst, or hunger,
No pain or poverty,
No earthly tyrant's anger
Shall ever vanquish me.
Though earth should break assunder,
You are my Savior true;
No fire or sword or thunder
Shall sever me from you.

7 My heart for joy is springing
And can no more be sad.
'Tis full of joy and singing,
Sees only sunshine glad.
The sun that cheers my spirit
Is Jesus Christ, my King;
The heav'n I shall inherit
Makes me rejoice and sing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–87, st. 1-3, 6-7, alt.; unknown, st. 4-5, alt.

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN (76 76 D) Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635, alt.

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,

and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the (+) life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST (Hymnal Page 127)

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

**M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give

children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions. *Silent prayer.* 

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

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#### 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.



THE SACRAMENT (Page 33)

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

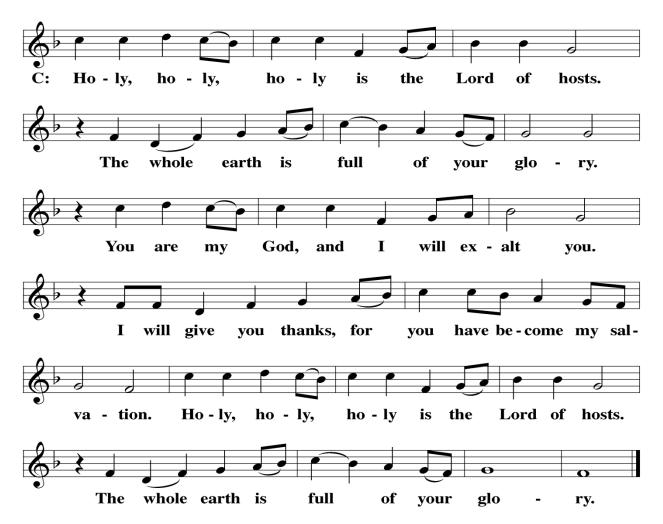


M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace (+) of the Lord be with you always.



#### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



#### **BE SEATED**

#### DISTRIBUTION AND DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM:

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You are my sheep, the flock that I love: rest now in me. Trust and believe, I call you by name; rest now in me. (Refrain)

Refrain – Oh, let all who have ears hear now the mysteries of the kingdom! Come to me, all you who labor and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me for I am meek and humble of heart. Rest now in me, for my yoke is easy and my burden light.

I am your God, the Lamb who was slain: rest now in me. I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life; rest now in me. (Refrain)

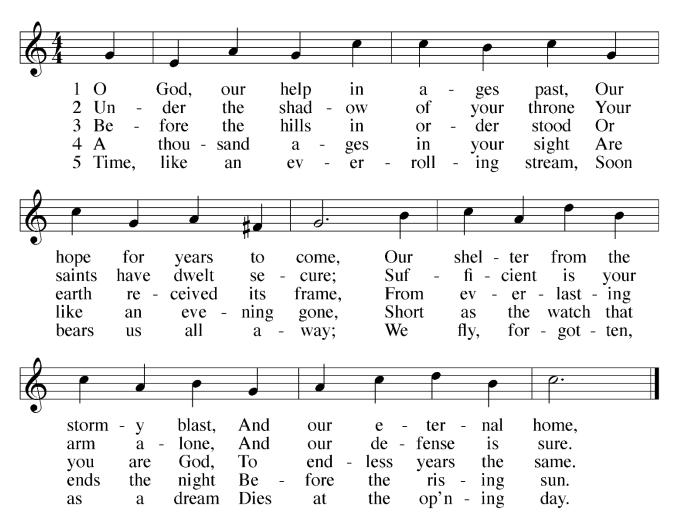
#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

#### #430 "Evening and Morning"



Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–76, abr.; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–87, alt. Tune: DIE GÜLDNE SONNE (PM) Johann G. Ebeling, 1637–76.

#### #441 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"



6 O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Still be our guard while troubles last And our eternal home!

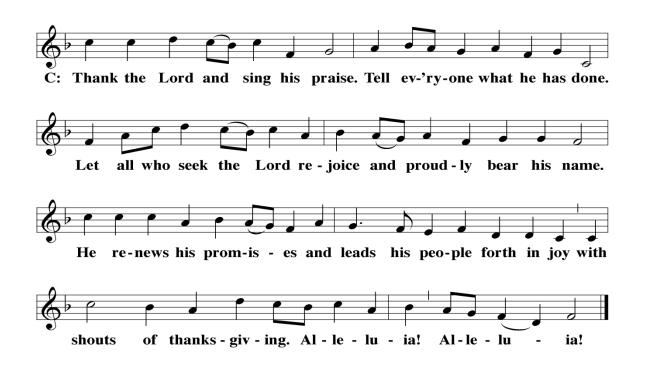
Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, abr., alt.

Tune: St. Anne (CM) William Croft, 1678-1727, alt.

#### I THANKSGIVING (page 36)

#### STAND

#### THANK THE LORD



M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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Communion Assistants: Bruce Winkler and Ron Bude

Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi: Soloist: Mark Castellese

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service Tuesday - 7:00 PM Voters' Meeting

Wednesday – 10:00 AM Online Bible Class

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service Monday - 7:00 PM Divine Service

Serving next week: Altar Guild – Margaret Seppanen; Ushering – Team 4

St. Peter's Church Council has scheduled a **special Voters' Assembly** meeting for Tuesday, July 21, 7:00 PM. Items on agenda:

- Council recommends Voters' Assembly approval for proceeding with Option 2-moving St. Peter's Preschool to church basement, installing elevator in the church (as presented at congregational information meeting), including architectural and engineering drawings and quotes contingent on long term lease with Roots.
- Change from fiscal year (July 1-June 30) to a calendar year (January 1 December 31)
- Church elected offices

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE: We ask that you disperse in the sanctuary (practice social distancing). For Holy Communion we will have smaller communion tables so that you are able to spread out along the communion rail. Offerings will be gathered at the entrance to the sanctuary. Pastor and communion assistants will practice handwashing and/or other safe practices. The congregation is encouraged to wear protective equipment based on their own personal level of comfort during these unusual times. Ushers will assist by ushering you from the pew following the service. Please do not gather in the narthex. The church building will receive a thorough cleaning and disinfecting every week.

If you are unable to attend yet, Pastor Schaefer will be glad to make arrangements with you for private Communion. We are posting the entire service on our website after each service. Sunday Adult Bible Class and Sunday School will resume at a later date.

**THANK YOU** to our members who have put in many hours of work to beautify and update our facilities, outdoors and indoors. Several rooms in our church building have been renovated, with many unusable items discarded or repurposed. Our landscaping has been refreshed through mulching, trimming, and transplanting vegetation. Our Board of Trustees has been supervising these projects; please ask the board members to pass along your appreciation to all who have helped.

**PASTORAL CARE & MERCY** – Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those whose needs have been reported.

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