

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 29, 2025

PRELUDE

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Gathering

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Merciful God,

you free us to love others,**but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.****You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,****but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.****You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity,****but we grow weary in doing what is right.****In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us.****Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.****Amen.**

You belong to Christ Jesus

and you are God's children through faith.

In the cross of † Christ,

and through the power of the Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

Verse 1

I have decided to follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus

No turning back no turning back

Verse 2

The world behind me the cross before me

The world behind me the cross before me

The world behind me the cross before me

No turning back no turning back

Verse 3

Though none go with me still I will follow
 Though none go with me still I will follow
 Though none go with me still I will follow
 No turning back no turning back

Ending

No turning back, No turning back
 No turning back, No turning back

GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Sovereign God, **ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Word

BIBLE READING

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "To God, To God Be the Glory"

Chorus

**To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory**

1 To God be the glory; great things he has done!
 He so loved the world that he gave us his Son,
 Who yielded his life an atonement for sin
 And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
 Let the earth hear his voice!
 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Let the people rejoice!
 Oh, come to the Father through Jesus the Son
 And give him the glory -- great things he has done!

Chorus:

**To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory
 To God, To God, To God Be the Glory**

GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

SERMON

Rev. Kirsten Kellaheer

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #665 "Rise, Shine, You People!"

- 1 Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
 our human story; God in him is centered.
 He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
 with grace unbounded.
- 2 See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
 he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
 All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
 now are forgiven.
- 3 Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
 your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
 To all the world go out and tell the story
 of Jesus' glory.
- 4 Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
 Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
 Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
 God's new creation.

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 ascended 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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING & HYMN ELW 583- vs 1, 4 “Take My Life That I May Be”

Refrain:

**Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

1 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee. *To Refrain*

4 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne. *To Refrain*

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, **maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The love of God abound in you;
the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN "My Lighthouse"

Verse 1

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Verse 2

In the silence You won't let go
In the questions Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Chorus

**My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness
I will follow You oh
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore**

Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Chorus

**My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness
I will follow You oh
My Lighthouse my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to shore
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit. **Thanks be to God.**