



## Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

### ✠ Sixth Sunday after Pentecost ✠ July 12, 2020

*God's word is like the rain that waters the earth and brings forth vegetation. It is also like the sower who scatters seed indiscriminately. Our lives are like seeds sown in the earth. Even from what appears to be little, dormant, or dead, God promises a harvest. At the Lord's table we are fed with the bread of life, that we may bear fruit in the world.*

*This morning Pastor Haug's summer series on the Book of Genesis focuses on the story of the Binding of Isaac.*

#### ✠ Gathering ✠

*Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world. We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

#### Prelude

#### *To A Wild Rose*

*Edward MacDowell*

#### Welcome

#### Call to Worship

*Please stand as  
you are able.*

#### Psalm 13

How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever. How long will you hide your face from me?

**How long shall I have perplexity in my mind, and grief in my heart,  
day after day? How long shall my enemy triumph over me?**

Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my God; give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

**lest my enemy say, "I have defeated you," and my foes rejoice that I  
have fallen.**

But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

**I will sing to the LORD, who has dealt with me richly.**

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**

## Gathering Hymn

### *O Day of Rest and Gladness*

1 O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and light,  
 2 On you, at earth's cre - a - tion, the light first had its birth;  
 3 To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na falls;  
 4 New grac - es ev - er gain - ing from this our day of rest,

O balm for care and sad - ness, most beau - ti - ful, most bright:  
 on you, for our sal - va - tion, Christ rose from depths of earth;  
 to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the sil - ver trum - pet calls,  
 we reach the rest re - main - ing to spir - its of the blest.

on you the high and low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune,  
 on you, our Lord vic - to - rious the Spir - it sent from heav'n;  
 where gos - pel light is glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams  
 We sing to you our prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son;

sing, "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God tri - unc.  
 and thus on you, most glo - rious, a three - fold light was giv'n.  
 and liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.  
 the church its voice up - rais - es to you, blest Three in One.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807–1885, alt.  
 Music: ELLACOMBE, German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L. Hartig, *Melodien zum Meinzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

## Apostolic 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.**

**Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

**✠ Word ✠**

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community  
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

**Children’s Sermon**

**Anthem**

**God So Loved the World**

Gwendolyn Emery-Owings

*God so love the world that He gave His only Son,  
So that we might know God’s love for eve’ry one.*

*Praise the Father; praise the Son; Praise the Spirit; Three in One! Amen.*

**Genesis 22:1-14**

*Abraham was prepared to obey God’s command amid extreme contradiction: the child to be sacrificed is the very child through whom Abraham is to receive descendants. God acknowledged Abraham’s obedient faith, and Abraham offered a ram in the place of his son Isaac.*

**Reading**

<sup>1</sup>God tested Abraham. He said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>2</sup>He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you.” <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you.” <sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. <sup>7</sup>Isaac said to his father Abraham, “Father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, “God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So the two of them walked on together.

<sup>9</sup>When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>12</sup>[The angel] said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” <sup>13</sup>And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called that place “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*Praise the Father; praise the Son; Praise the Spirit; Three in One! Amen.*



**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**  
*In Matthew's gospel, both Jesus and his disciples "sow the seed" of God's word by proclaiming the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is near." Now, in a memorable parable, Jesus explains why this good news produces different results in those who hear.*

## **The Apostles' Creed**

### **Gospel**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup>But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup>Let anyone with ears listen!"

<sup>18</sup>"Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup>yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup>But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.

**P:** The Gospel of our Lord.

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

**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.**

Hymn of the Day

Sermon

Take My Life That I May be

*Refrain/Estrillo*



To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -  
 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,



da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón  
 to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;



y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.  
 let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.



1 Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té  
 1 Take my hands and let them move  
 2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing  
 4 Take my will and make it thine;



con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;  
 at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 not a mite would I with - hold;  
 al - ways, on - ly for my King;  
 it shall be no lon - ger mine;



que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -  
 take my feet and let them be swift and  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry  
 take my lips and let them be filled with  
 take my heart, it is thine own; it shall



*Refrain/Estrillo*

pul - so de tu a - mor.  
 beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
 mes - sag - es from thee.  
 be thy roy - al throne.

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

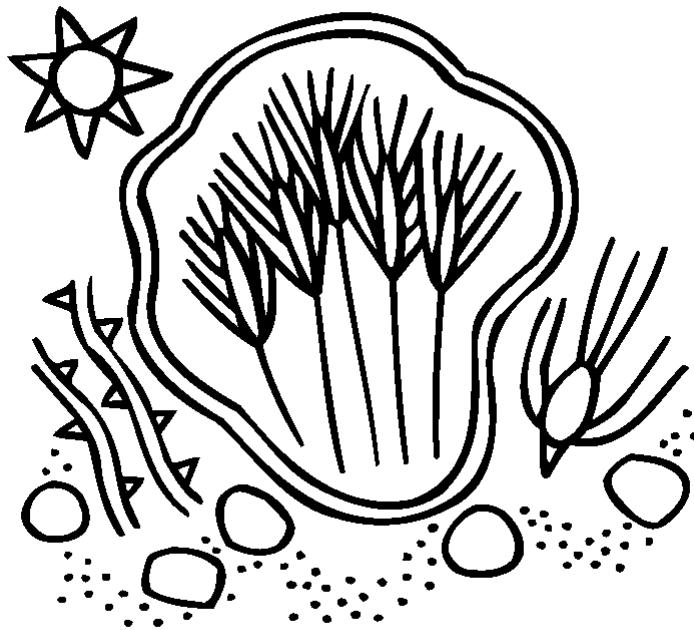


**We Are the Lord's**

Karl J. P Spitta/ Roland E. Martin

**Anthem**

*We are the Lord's; His all sufficient merit,  
Sealed on the cross, to us this grace accords.  
We are the Lord's and all things shall inherit;  
Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.  
We are the Lord's; then let us gladly tender  
Our souls to Him in deeds, not empty words.  
Let heart and tongue and life combine to render  
No doubtful witness that we are the Lord's.  
We are the Lord's; no darkness brooding o'er us  
Can make us tremble while this star affords  
A steady light along the path before us—  
Faith's full assurance that we are the Lord's.  
We are the Lord's; no evil can befall us  
In the dread hour of life's fast loosening cords;  
No pangs of death shall even then appall us.  
Death we shall vanquish, for we are the Lord's.*



## Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One,  
give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

*Last time*

Text: Henry Smith

Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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- A: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **Amen.**

### Prayers of the Church

P: Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

A: Gracious God, your word has been sown in many ways and places. We pray for missionaries and newly planted congregations... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

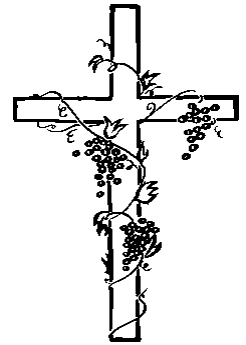
## Offertory

## Offertory Prayer

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
 C: Amen.

**Lord's Prayer**

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

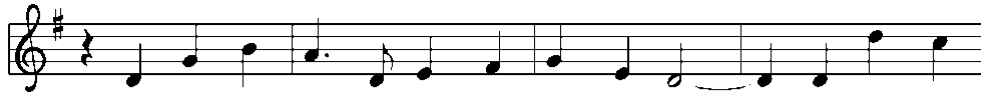


**✠SENDING ✠**

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,  
 Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

**To Be Your Presence**

**Sending Hymn**



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -  
 2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the  
 3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for  
 4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy  
 poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,  
 all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your  
 peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,  
 right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!  
 love ex - pressed,  
 church, re - joice,

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**Benediction**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

**Announcements**



## Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

### *Romantic Piece, Op. 75, N° 1*

*Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)*

*You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.*

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## WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

### YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:

**The family of Gary Olson**, father of Lars Olson; **Vicki Hovda and family**; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Sam**

**Brown**, child of Liz and Mike Brown; **Jim Peterson**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne and Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of Nancy McCutcheon; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe; **Hazel Thomas**, a friend of Mark Duff and Michelle McCreery.

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Bruce Kuehn 7.14

Charley O'Brien 7.18

**Loved Ones In The Military**

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



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***DONATIONS FOR CES  
THROUGH***

***MT. OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH***

Jim Bargmann, Coordinator of Neighborhood Ministry of Mt. Olive Lutheran Church wanted to let us know that they have formalized an agreement with one of our neighborhood partner food shelves, Community Emergency Service (CES), to become a remote distribution site south Minneapolis. They will offer food and household supplies - both non-perishable and fresh vegetables and fruit - along with diapers, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, personal care items and more, every Friday until our primary shopping places (Target, Cub, Aldi, and their many corner shops) are able to reopen.

They will open at 9:00 am each Friday and will stay open until they run out of supplies or 12 pm, whichever comes first. Mt. Olive's address is 3045 Chicago Avenue South.

Monetary donations should be directed to CES ([www.cesmn.org](http://www.cesmn.org)). They can leverage their relationships with food suppliers to make the money go much further than we can.

At Mount Olive, they are asking for donations of supplies that CES does not keep in their inventory but are still needed by members of the community - household cleaning supplies, personal care items, diapers, formula. Those can be dropped off at Mount Olive in the same time we are open for distribution - Fridays, 9 am to noon.

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***OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING  
MEALS IN 2020***

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church has provided a meal for 40 the first Friday of every month for many years.

This is a wonderful opportunity for families or a group of friends. Check your calendars and pick a month now for 2020. You can reserve your month by calling

or emailing Cheri Moe (952-431-5226, [moeclana@aol.com](mailto:moeclana@aol.com)). She can provide you with recipes for a crowd. If you are a Thrivent member, you can apply for a Thrivent Action grant that will cover the cost of the meal as well as some left over to purchase the supplies that Our Saviour's is always in need of.

**Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to provide a meal for the shelter. The only date we now need volunteers for is October 2nd. Because of the COVID 19 restrictions, the only way to currently provide our monthly meal is to donate by check, money order or online and the shelter will order a meal. the suggested cost is \$250.** Please contact Cheri if you can serve on October 2nd. Thank you.

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***WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY***

Pastor Haug will lead a virtual Bible study by Zoom for the regular 10:00 am Wednesday morning Bible study group. If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Haug at [pastor@loti.org](mailto:pastor@loti.org). He will in turn, send you a link and invitation to the group meeting.

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***VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR***

If you are interested in participating in a virtual coffee hour on Sunday, please contact Michelle McCreery at [michelle.mccreery@loti.org](mailto:michelle.mccreery@loti.org).

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***UPDATE ON  
LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF  
PERSONAL CARE KITS FOR LENT***

Due to COVID-19, our LWR Lenten project to assemble personal care kits was put on hold. A few weeks ago, the money that had been donated for the project was used to purchase additional items we needed and with the help of Ellie Holmquist, Anita Duder, Mary Flynn and Linda Nelson, we assembled 67 kits. Each kit included a towel, 3 bars of soap, a comb, toothbrush and a nail clipper. Our goal was 75 but considering the circumstances, we did very well. Pastor Haug delivered the kits this week to the warehouse in St. Paul where they will be repacked and sent to those in need. We had leftover bars of soap, combs and toothbrushes which Janna and Pastor Haug then delivered to Mt. Olive Lutheran Church last week for their remote distribution site in south Minneapolis to help those in need in our own community.

Thank you to everyone who helped with this project and for your contributions of supplies and money.

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