

2020

“Behold, The Mighty Hand of God”



WELCOME TO WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

**Please tune your car radio to 106.1 FM to Worship
with us today!**

*Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess,
for He who promised is faithful* Hebrews 10:23

Call Statement:

“My call is to share my Faith in Christ”

Mission Statement:

*“To live my Faith in Christ I will build loving relationships
so others will become disciples with Jesus as Lord and Savior.”*

PRELUDE

Beth Helwagen

WELCOME AND PRAYER

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Leader: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

All: And also with you
(Wave to each other)

HYMN Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne LBW #531

Verse 1

Before Jehovah's awesome throne,
Ye nations, bow with sacred joy;
Know that the Lord is God alone,
He can create, and He destroy.

Verse 2

His sov- 'reign pow'r without our aid,
Made us of clay and formed us men;
And when like wan- d'ring sheep we strayed,
He brought us to His fold again.

Verse 3

We are His people, we His care,
Our souls and all our mor- tal frame,
What lasting honors shall we rear,
Almighty Maker, to Thy name?

Verse 4

We'll crowd Thy gates with thank- ful songs,
High as the heav'ns our voices raise;
And earth, with all its thou- sand tongues,
Shall fill Thy courts with sounding praise.

Verse 5

Wide as the world is Thy command;
Vast as eternity Thy love;
Firm as a rock Thy truth shall stand,
When rolling years shall cease to move.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

All: And also with you.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray: O Lord God,

All: Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may always be mindful of the end of all things and the day of Your last judgment, and be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You forever hereafter; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

Swedish Psalm Book, 1677, Translated: Paul C. Stratman 2016, for use in worship

LESSONS

Isaiah 44:6 - 8
Psalm 119:57 - 64

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24 - 30, 36 - 43

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Jeffrey J. Lee

Weeds and Wheat and the Judgment to Come

HYMN

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

LBW #327

Verse 1

**Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.**

Verse 2

**Not the labor of my hands, Can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save and Thou alone.**

Verse 3

**Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress, Helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly, Wash me, Savior, or I die.**

Verse 4

**While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyelids close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown,
See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.**

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us be united as the Church in heart and mind as we go to our heavenly Father in prayer.

Pastor: *(After each petition. . .)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: **hear our prayer.**

Pastor: . . . Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER - in unison

All: **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 SENDING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray. Heavenly Father,

All: **Open my eyes, open my heart, so I see and have compassion on broken and lost people around me. Move me to bring Hope into their lives with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Give me courage. Give me patience. Guide my words. Through me I pray they experience Jesus' redeeming Love. I ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

All: Amen.

HYMN

LBW #559

Oh, for a Thousand tongues to Sing

Verse 1

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

Verse 2

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of Your name.

Verse 3

The name of Jesus charms our fears,
And bids our sorrows cease;
Sings music in the sinner's ears;
Brings life, and health, and peace.

Verse 4

He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin;
He sets the prisoner free.
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood avails for me.

Verse 5

To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heav'n.

THE DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go and be a witness for the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

*Praise God
from whom all blessings flow*



NEXT SUNDAY July 26, 2020
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday
Deuteronomy 7:6-9 Psalm 125 Romans 8:28-39
Matthew 13:44-52

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