#### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Family of Faith June 6 & 7, 2015

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Blood is thicker than water. Sometimes this phrase is used to show that family ties are stronger than the ones you make among friends. While earthly family relationships are important, in today's Gospel, Jesus teaches that our relationships to God and His family of faith are of even greater importance. We have been made brothers and sisters in Christ through a different, more precious blood—the blood of Jesus shed for us on the cross. Relationships made possible through His blood last for all eternity. While we honor our families, we give greater honor to the One who made us a part of His family. Thank You, Lord, for the privilege of being called Your sons and daughters!

#### WELCOME

#### MINISTRY MOMENT Guatemala Team

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

#### **HANDSHAKES & HUGS**

#### **₩ PREPARATION ₩**

## OPENING HYMN #645 "Built on the Rock"

Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling. Crumbled have spiers in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling, Calling the young and old to rest, But above all the souls distressed, Longing for rest everlasting.

Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling; High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling, Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love, Making our bodies His temple.

We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation. He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation. Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell With all His grace and His favor.

Here stands the font before our eyes, Telling how God has received us. The altar recalls Christ's sacrifice And what His Supper here gives us. Here sound the Scriptures that proclaim Christ yesterday, today, the same, And evermore, our Redeemer.

Grant, then, O God, Your will be done, That, when the church bells are ringing, Many in saving faith may come Where Christ His message is bringing; "I know My own; My own know me. You, not the world, My face shall see. My peace I leave with you. Amen."

(Rise)

#### **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### **OPENING SENTENCES** Psalm 28:7

Pastor: The LORD is my strength and my shield;

People: in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

Pastor: my heart exults,

People: and with my song I give thanks to Him.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Psalm* 130:3–4, 7

Pastor: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Pastor: If God were to mark our iniquities and sins, we would be left without hope. Since the time of the first sin of Adam and Eve, we are, by nature, sinful and unclean. We sin much each day. But our loving Lord does not leave us without hope. He has given us redemption through His Son. With this confidence, we seek our heavenly Father's grace for the sake of Jesus Christ.

# People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: "O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with Him is plentiful redemption." Receive this plentiful redemption through faith in Christ. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

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# HYMN OF PRAISE #461 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Stanzas 1 & 8

I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my everliving head.

He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same; Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives; I know that my Redeemer lives!

#### **SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** 

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God,

People: your Son, Jesus, triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do your will; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Be seated)

5:00 BAPTISM of Addison Kimberly Derus

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Please refrain from taking photos during the worship service.

5:00 SOLO

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

#### **₩** WORD **₩**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 3:8–15 (The fall and the Lord's promise of a Savior) Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?" The man said, "The woman you put here with me--she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, "Cursed are you above all the livestock and all the wild animals! You will crawl on your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life. And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

## **EPISTLE** 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1 ("So we do not lose heart.")

It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken." With that same spirit of faith we also believe and therefore speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in his presence. All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God. Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. Now we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.

**8:00 ANTHEM** 

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

Llovd Larson

(Rise)

**HOLY GOSPEL** Mark 3:20–35 ("For whoever does the will of God, he is My brother and sister and mother.") Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind." And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebub! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons." So Jesus called them and spoke to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can rob his house. I tell you the truth, all the sins and blasphemies of men will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin." He said this because they were saying, "He has an evil spirit."Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you." "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked. Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother." (Be seated)

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

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# SERMON HYMN #748 "I'm But a Stranger Here"

I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home; Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.

Danger and sorrow stand Round me on ev'ry hand;

Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home;

Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;

And time's wild wintry blast Soon shall be overpast;

I shall reach home at last, Heav'n is my home.

Therefore I murmur not, Heav'n is my home;

Whate'er my earthly lot, Heav'n is my home;

And I shall surely stand There at my Lord's right hand;

Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

#### **SERMON**

"The Tension Between the Two"

2 Cor. 4:13-5:1

(Rise)

**8:00 & 10:30 APOSTLES' CREED** (found on the inside back cover of the hymnal) (Be seated)

**OFFERINGS** As your offering is collected, *please sign our attendance book* located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle. You may check the register to see the names of those to greet after the service.

(Rise)

#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

Pastor: ... let us pray to the Lord:

People: Lord, have mercy.

At the conclusion of the prayers:

Pastor: ... through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

8:00 & 10:30 THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### **▼ SACRAMENT ▼**

### **WORDS OF OUR LORD**

#### THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Be seated)

**DISTRIBUTION** Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

# HYMN #735 "Have No Fear, Little Flock"

Have no fear, little flock; Have no fear, little flock

For the Father has chosen To give you the Kingdom; Have no fear little flock!

Have good cheer, little flock; Have good cheer, little flock,

For the Father will keep you In His love forever; Have good cheer, little flock!

Praise the Lord high above; Praise the Lord high above,

For He stoops down to heal you, Uplift and restore you; Praise the Lord high above!

Thankful hearts raise to God; Thankful hearts raise to God,

For He stays close beside you, In all things works with you; Thankful hearts raise to God!

## HYMN #673 "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Jerusalem, my happy home, When shall I come to thee? When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?

O happy harbor of the saints, O sweet and pleasant soil? In thee no sorrow may be found, No grief, no care, no toil.

Thy gardens and thy gallant walks Continually are green; There grow such sweet and pleasant flow'rs As nowhere else are seen. There trees forever more bear fruit And evermore do spring; There evermore the angels dwell And evermore do sing.

Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there Around my Savior stand; And soon my friends in Christ below Will join the glorious band.

O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare For that bright home of love That I may see Thee and adore With all Thy saints above.

# HYMN #715 "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

Jesus, Savior, pilot me Over life's tempestuous sea; Unknown waves before me roll, Hiding rock and treach'rous shoal. Chart and compass come from Thee, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child, Thou canst hush the ocean wild; Boist'rous waves obey Thy will When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Wondrous Sov'reign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore And the fearful breakers roar Twixt me and the peaceful rest, Then, while leaning on Thy breast, May I hear Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pilot thee."

#### **COMMON DISMISSAL**

(Rise)

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray. We give thanks to you, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore you that of your mercy you would strengthen us through the same in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

forever.

People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION** *Psalm* 130:5

Pastor: My soul waits for the LORD, my soul waits,

People: and in His word I hope.

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you.

People: Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN #850 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

God of grace and God of glory, On Your people pour Your pow'r; Crown Your ancient Church's story; Bring its bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the facing of this hour, For the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us Scorn the Christ, assail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage For the living of these days, For the living of these days.

Cure Your children's warring madness; Bend our pride to Your control: Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal, Lest we miss Your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore; Let the gift of Your salvation Be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving You whom we adore, Serving You whom we adore.

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