

Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
Sunday, July 18, 2021
Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Prelude I Heard the Voice of Jesus

Lee Dengler

Tune: KINGSFOLD, Traditional English folk tune

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity: the Father,
the Son ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Sisters and brothers, bear with one another in love,
maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace,
and take no part in the works of darkness, but instead expose them.
Let us confess our sin the Presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy and gracious God,

**We confess that we have not led a life worthy of
the calling to which we have been called.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart,
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We have not acted according to your will.

We have grieved your Holy Spirit. Have mercy on us.

Forgive us according to the riches of your grace.

**Make us holy and blameless before you in love,
so that we might live to the praise of your glory.**

Amen.

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake, God forgives you **ALL** your sin. You who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. Go in peace. You are forgiven and you are free!

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

O God, powerful and compassionate, you shepherd your people, faithfully feeding and protecting us. Heal each of us, and make us a whole people, that we may embody the justice and peace of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were

coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed. The gospel of the Lord!

Praise to you, O Christ!

Message

Pastor Tess Panamarow

Hymn of the Day **Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us**, Verses 1-3

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- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your fold prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us; we are yours.
- 2 We are yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
keep your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.
- 3 You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

Text: attr. Dorothy A. Thrupp, 1779-184

Music: BRADBURY, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868

Offering

Prayers of Intercession

Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Tend your church, O God. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel. Raise up new leaders and encourage those pursuing a call to ministry. Embolden all the baptized to embody and extend to others your love and justice. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Restore your creation, O God. Sustain croplands and pastures. Safeguard all animals. Preserve lakes, rivers, and streams. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and protect coastlands threatened by hurricanes, floods and rising oceans. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Reconcile the nations, O God. Break down the dividing walls that make us strangers to one another and unite us as one human family. Equip leaders to deal wisely with conflict and guide diplomats who seek peaceful solutions. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Heal your people, O God. Look with compassion on immigrants, exiles, and all who are afraid or feel lost. Give rest to those who are weary, comfort to those who are grieving, recovery to those who are ill, and peaceful; assurance to those who are dying. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Nourish this congregation, O God. Renew our commitment to provide for one another and revitalize our ministries of feeding and nurturing the hungry, the hurting and those hunting for purpose and peace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You lead us home, O God. We give thanks for all who have died, now citizens with all the saints in the Church triumphant. As you have received them into your heavenly home, so, also in your perfect time, welcome all of us to dwell in your house forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our 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.**

Announcements**Benediction**

Be strengthened with the power of God, ✝ the love of Christ,
and the help of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Dismissal

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude The Church's One Foundation

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