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WORSHIP FOLDER

Welcome Home

Saturday, June 6th, 2026

5:00 pm

Welcome and Opening Hymn

“Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart” [LSB #708...vs. 1 and 2]

1. Lord, Thee I love with all my heart; I pray Thee, ne'er from me depart,
With tender mercy cheer me.
Earth has no pleasure I would share, Yea, heav'n itself were void and bare
If Thou, Lord, wert not near me.
And should my heart for sorrow break, My trust in Thee can nothing shake.
Thou art the portion I have sought;
Thy precious blood my soul has bought.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
Forsake me not! I trust Thy Word.
2. Yea, Lord, 'twas Thy rich bounty gave... My body, soul, and all I have
In this poor life of labor.
Lord, grant that I in ev'ry place... May glorify Thy lavish grace
And help and serve my neighbor.
Let no false doctrine me beguile;
And Satan not my soul defile.
Give strength and patience unto me... To bear my cross and follow Thee.
Lord Jesus Christ, My God and Lord, my God and Lord,
In death Thy comfort still afford.

Invocation, Confession and Absolution *(please rise)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

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- P: Beloved in the Lord, Let us draw near with a true heart and confess to God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness...
 Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought word and deed; therefore we flee for refuge to Your boundless mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: **O most merciful God, since You have given Your only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy on us and for His sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**
- P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord, to us all.
- C: **Amen**

Psalm for the Day and Hymn Response - from Psalm 119

- P: Let Your steadfast love come to me, O Lord,
 Your salvation according to Your promise;
 You have dealt well with Your servant,
 O Lord, according to Your Word.
- C: **Teach me good judgment and knowledge,
 for I believe in Your commandments.**
- P: Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep Your word.
 You are good and do good; teach me Your statutes.
- C: **The insolent smear me with lies,
 but with my whole heart I keep Your precepts;**
- P: Their heart is unfeeling like fat, but I delight in Your law.
 It is good for me that I was afflicted,
 that I might learn Your statutes.
- C: **The law of Your mouth is better to me
 than thousands of gold and silver pieces.**
- P: Let Your steadfast love come to me, O Lord,
- C: **Your salvation according to Your promise.**

**ALL: 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**

Prayer of the Day

Epistle Reading

- Romans 4:13-25

... For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring -- not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations" -- in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in Him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Gospel

- Mathew. 9:9-13

... As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and He said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed Jesus. And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when Jesus heard it,

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He said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Sermon Hymn

"By Grace I'm Saved"

[LSB #566...vs. 1 thru 4]

1. By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise? Has scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this Word must true remain; By grace you too will life obtain.
2. By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth.
God in His love sent our Redeemer, Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.
3. By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.
4. By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace – grace through His Son.

Message for the Day

"WHY DO WE TRY... TO LIVE WITHOUT HIM?!"

Offering / Hymn Response

"By Grace I'm Saved"

[LSB #566...vs. 5 and 6]

5. By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?
6. By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone.

Prayer of the Church

Nicene Creed

**C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
And of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution / Holy Communion / Hymns for Communion

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

[LSB #618]

1. I come, O Savior, to Thy Table, For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able To satisfy and make me whole:

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Refrain: **Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

2. Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. *Refrain*
3. Unworthy though I am, O Savior, Because I have a sinful heart,
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never For Thou my faithful Shepherd art! *Refrain*
4. Weary am I and heavy laden, With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously, and gladden My heart, for I am now Thy guest. *Refrain*
5. What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit, The covenant of hope and grace. *Refrain*

"Lord Jesus Christ, With Us Abide" [LSB #585 / Alt. Tune: LSB #571]

1. Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide, For round us falls the eventide;
O let Thy Word, that saving light,
Shine forth undimmed into the night.
2. In these last days of great distress Grant us, dear Lord, true steadfastness
That we keep pure till life is spent,
Your holy Word and Sacrament.
3. To hope grown dim, to hearts turned cold
Speak tongues of fire and make us bold.
To shine Your Word of saving grace
Into each dark and loveless place!
4. May glorious truths that we have heard,
The bright sword of Your mighty Word,
Spurn Satan that Your Church be strong,
Bold, unified in act and song.
5. Restrain, O Lord, the human pride That seeks to thrust Your truth aside
Or with some manmade thoughts or things
Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.
6. Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true; Preserve our faith our whole life through
Your Word alone our heart's defense,
The Church's glorious confidence.

“Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”

[LSB #680...vs. 1 thru 4]

1. Thine the amen, Thine the praise Alleluia's, angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory, Thine the story Thine the harvest, then the cup
Thine the vineyard Then the cup is lifted up, lifted up.
2. Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let their be
Thine the vision, Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing, gone the railing Gone the pleading, gone the cry
Gone the sighing, gone the dying What was loss lifted high.
3. Thine the truly, Thine the yes Thine the table, we the guest
Thine the mercy all from Thee Thine the glory yet to be
Then the ringing and the singing Then the end of all the war
Thine the living, Thine the loving Evermore, evermore.
4. Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonderful surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory, Thine the story Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast, at Thy feast.

Post Communion Prayer and Benediction

Closing Hymn

“My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”

[LSB #575]

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

***On Christ the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.***
2. When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil. *(Chorus)*
3. His oath, His covenant and blood
Support me in the raging flood
When ev'ry earthly prop give way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

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***On Christ the solid rock I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.***

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before His throne! *(Chorus)*

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