

JUNE 28, 2020 - THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" by Martin Luther

Stand

HYMN 912 CHRIST IS OUR CORNERSTONE



1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone, On Him a - lone we build;
2 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im - plore,
△ 3 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall ring;



With His true saints a - lone The courts of heav'n are filled. On His
And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us ev - er - more Un - til
Our voic - es we will raise The Three in One to sing And thus



great love Our hopes we place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.
that day When all the blest To end - less rest Are called a - way.
pro - claim In joy - ful song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

OPENING DIALOG

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P Unless the Lord builds the house,

C those who build it labor in vain.

P No one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid,

C which is Jesus Christ.

P I will extoll You, my God and King,

C and bless Your name forever and ever.

P How sweet are Your words to my taste,

C sweeter than honey to my mouth!

P Teach me, O Lord, the way of Your statutes,

C and I will keep it to the end.

C 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.

GREETING, followed by PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

C Almighty God, You have promised to be with Your Church forever. We praise You for Your presence in this place of worship and ask Your ongoing blessing upon those who gather here. Dwell continually among us with Your holy Word and Sacraments, strengthen our fellowship in the bonds of love and peace, and increase our faithful witness to Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Kings 8:22–30

²²Then Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands toward heaven, ²³and said, “O LORD, God of Israel, there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing steadfast love to your servants who walk before you with all their heart, ²⁴who have kept with your servant David my father what you declared to him. You spoke with your mouth, and with your hand have fulfilled it this day. ²⁵Now therefore, O LORD, God of Israel, keep for your servant David my father what you have promised him, saying, ‘You shall not lack a man to sit before me on the throne of Israel, if only your sons pay close attention to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.’ ²⁶Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you have spoken to your servant David my father.

²⁷“But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! ²⁸Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant and to his plea, O LORD my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant prays before you this day, ²⁹that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you have said, ‘My name shall be there,’ that you may listen to the prayer that your servant offers toward this place. ³⁰And listen to the plea of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 84

¹How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

²**My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.**

³Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

**⁴Blessèd are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!**

⁵Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**⁶As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.**

⁷They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.

**⁸O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!**

⁹Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

**¹⁰For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

¹¹For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
the LORD bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

**¹²O LORD of hosts,
blessèd is the one who trusts in you!
Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the be- ginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

EPISTLE

Revelation 21:1–5

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

⁵And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

Ⓟ This is the Word of the Lord.

Ⓒ Thanks be to God.

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ALLELUIA AND VERSE

LSB 173

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 7:24–29

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the seventh chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁴“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

²⁸And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

HYMN 644 THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

sts. 1-5



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
 By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more
 And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
 Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
 O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
 That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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SERMON

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APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

ANTHEM - “*Andante*” by F. Chopin. Soloist: Frank Vasi.

Kneel

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God, in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Each petition ends:

P Lord, in Your mercy:

C **Hear our prayer!**

The Prayers conclude:

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all those for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

LORD’S PRAYER

C **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.**

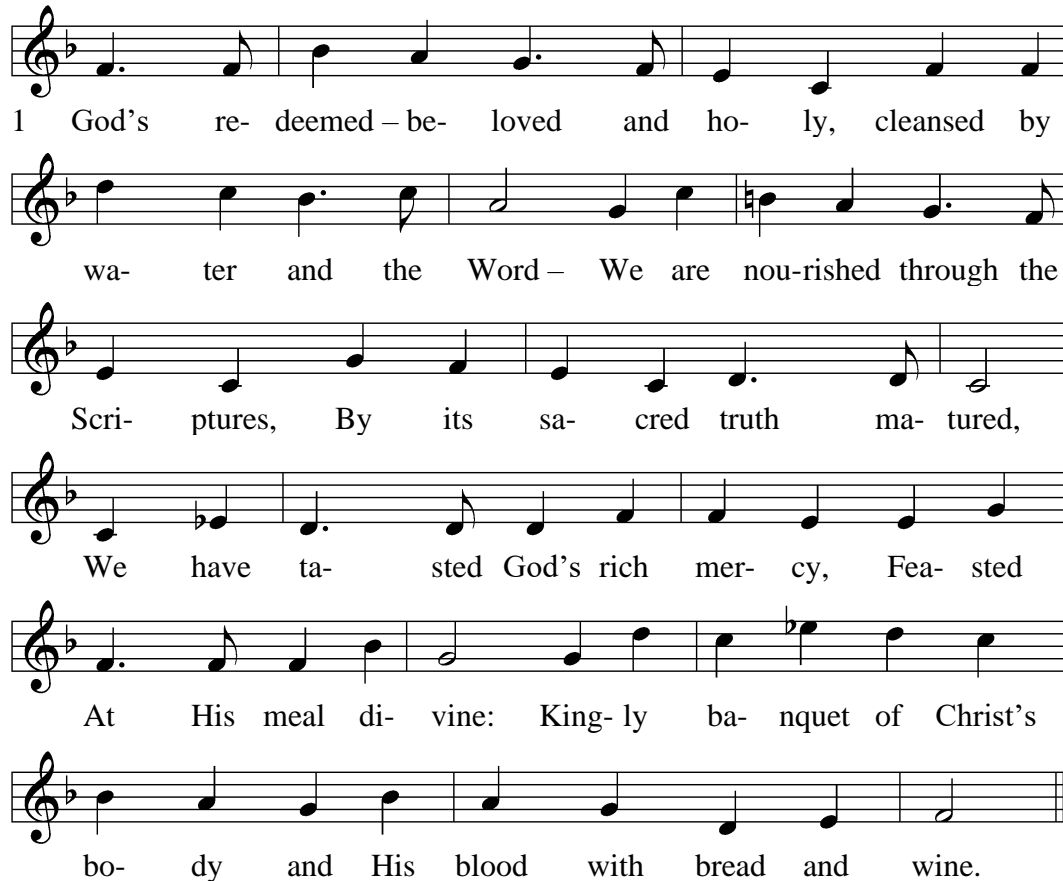
BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C **Amen.**

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HYMN 572 GOD'S REDEEMED—BELOVED AND HOLY



1 God's re- deemed – be- loved and ho- ly, cleansed by
wa- ter and the Word – We are nou- rished through the
Scri- ptures, By its sa- cred truth ma- tured,
We have ta- sted God's rich mer- cy, Fea- sted
At His meal di- vine: King- ly ba- nquet of Christ's
bo- dy and His blood with bread and wine.

2 Gathered by the Holy Spirit
To this family of love,
We are saints in full communion
With the blessed saints above:
Chosen people, royal priesthood,
Holy nations, now God's own,
Built on prophets and apostles,
Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone.

3 Gospel heralds of salvation,
Called from darkness into light,
We are sent to tell of Jesus,
How God brought us out of night.
We are salt, the Spirit-seasoned,
Meant to halt the world's decay;
We are light, a shining city
Guiding all to Christ, the Way.

4 We are charged to feed the hungry,
Clothe the poor in ev'ry place,
Tend the lonely, sick, imprisoned—,
There we see the Savior's face:
Ever in our ears the echo
Of His words of mystery;
"As you do for these My brothers,
You have also done for Me."

5 You, O Jesus, came as Servant,
Even counting Godhead loss:
Died for all—Love's faithful witness
Freely martyred on the cross!
With Your Spirit's grace and power,
Come, O Lord, our hearts enflame,
Till we join the endless worship
Of Your holy saving Name.

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POSTLUDE - "Alleluia! Alleluia!" by Broughton

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