

Hymn of the Day (ELW 843)

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness
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1 Praise the One who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light;
praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel,
healing ev'ry dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.

2 Praise the One who blessed the children
with a strong yet gentle word;
praise the One who drove out demons
with a piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand;
from this well comes living water
quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

3 Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory;
praise the One who makes us one.
Nicene Creed (LBW p. 84)

Prayer of the Church

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

Other petitions will be added, which end:
“Lord, in your mercy...**Hear our prayer.**”

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

Offering

Offertory Red Folder # 38 v3
“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

Merciful God,

**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what
you have first given us—ourselves, our
time, and our possessions, signs of your
gracious love. Receive them for the sake
of him who offered himself for us, Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen**

Communion

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution hymns:

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Post communion blessing and prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn (LBW 221)

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Bells/Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



Prelude- Miriam Lindblad

Bells/Welcome & Announcements

Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of
the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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.

Amen

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.

Most merciful God,

**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**

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2nd Sunday in Pentecost

June 19, 2022

9:00am

**will and walk in your ways, to the glory
of your holy name. Amen**

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.

Amen

Hymn *Faith of Our Fathers* LBW 500

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. . . .

O God our defender, storms rage about us
and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your
people from despair, deliver your sons and
daughters from fear, and preserve us all
from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Amen

New Member Recognition – Don & Gail
Brehmer, Mike, Mallory, Ellis,
Wilhelmina & Dagny Felt, Brent,
TaiAnna, Sydney & Sawyer Moe, Jason
Thram

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:1-9

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, “Here I am, here I am,” to a nation that did not call on my name.

²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices;

³a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine’s flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; ⁵who say, “Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.” These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. ⁶See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷their iniquities and their ancestors’ iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, “Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it,” so I will do for my servants’ sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:19-28

¹⁸Be not far away, O LORD; you are my strength; hasten to help me.

¹⁹**Save me from the sword, my life from the power of the dog.**

²⁰Save me from the lion’s mouth, my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.

²¹**I will declare your name to my brethren; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.**

²²Praise the LORD, you that fear him; stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel; all you of Jacob’s line, give glory.

²³**For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither does he hide his face from them; but when they cry to him he hears them.**

²⁴My praise is of him in the ¹ great assembly; I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

²⁵**The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: “May your heart live forever!”**

²⁶All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

²⁷**For kingship belongs to the LORD; he rules over the nations.**

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

²³Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵But now that faith has come, we are

no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia verse Spoken

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 8th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me”—²⁹for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰Jesus then asked

him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. ³¹They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹“Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

Ushers: Jason Anderson, Rick Hoffman, Dale Luschen, Kelly Lindblad, Greg Gunderson

Lector: Bill Hoberg

Assisting Deacon: Diane Schuerman

Altar Guild: Janet Hoffman, Shelly Hoffman

Slides preparer - Shelly Mikkelson

Computer operator-Becky Woitte

Prayer Concerns: Krysta Connolly, Jan Aeikens, Mick Boone, Robert Neuman

Sympathies to the families of:

-Ruth Plackner. She passed away on Monday 6/6. Funeral will be here Thursday 6/23 @ 2pm with visitation 12noon-2.

Pam's office hours for 6/20-6/24. Pam will be in the office on Monday & Tuesday 8am-12 noon. She will be gone the rest of the week Wednesday – Friday.

Service in the Park. Wednesday nights June 22 & 29 @ 6pm we will have a service in Roosevelt Park.

Due to the increase in postal rates the past few years, it is necessary to increase the price of a box of cards to \$6.00. This is still a bargain at .50 a card.

The Benson Women of Today would like to invite 7th – 12th grade students to sign up for the **Amazing Race** which will be held during on Saturday July 16th. Teams of 2 can consist of 2 students or 1 student/1 adult. Registration forms can be found online on the Benson Women of Today's

Facebook page. Contact Theresa Klassen 320-304-2105 or Merrilee Ascherman 320-287-2746 with any questions.

This Weeks Schedule

Sun. 9:00- Communion Worship

6/19 10:00-Coffe Hour – Diane Schuerman

Mon. July Newsletter articles

Wed. Pam will be out of the office the Wed – Fri (6/22-6/24)

6pm-Service in Roosevelt Park

Sun. 9:00- Worship

6/26 10:00-Coffee Hour –