



**St. Luke's
Lutheran Church**



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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Sunday, June 23, 2024 – 11:00 AM

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(Series B)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

For all of the Bible's reassurances of how much God loves us, cares for us, protects and guides us, it is, nevertheless, of our fallen, sinful nature that we still at times harbor doubts and even despairingly want to argue with God Himself and question His love and promises. The undying question is "Why?" The troubles, setbacks, trials, tragedies, and reverses in life do that. The Word before us today describes those times with the imagery of the destructive power of raging water and the greater power of God to deliver from threatening distress. Even when threatened with a raging flood, we are reminded that our help is still in the God who created everything. The trials of the otherwise "blameless and upright" man of God named Job (1:1) and the Lord's patient yet commanding love in His answer to Job's complaint should remind us to live our faith in daily repentance yet always still in praise of our saving God.

IMAGE ON THE COVER

[Jesus] awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "*Peace! Be still!*" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. *Mark 4:39*

PRELUDE

(Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus.)

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE SONG - "I Believe in Jesus" Romans 10:9

- 1, 3 I believe in Jesus, I believe He is the Son of God
I believe He died and rose again, I believe He paid for us all
And I believe He's here now, standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now, and the grace to forgive
- 2 I believe in You, Lord, I believe You are the Son of God
I believe You died and rose again, I believe You paid for us all
And I believe You're here now, standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now, and the grace to forgive
- 4, 5 And I believe You're here now, standing in our midst
Here with the power to heal now, and the grace to forgive
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Stand

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

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

2 Corinthians 6:2b; Psalm 124:8

- P** Behold, now is the favorable time;
C behold, now is the day of salvation.
- P** Our help is in the name of the LORD,
C who made heaven and earth.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** “In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help.” Let us prepare to receive the Lord’s instruction and deliverance this day by recalling our brokenness and sin, begging our Creator and Redeemer for forgiveness and deliverance.
- C** **Almighty God, in our weakness we are tempted to complain about our troubles and sufferings. Yet we know all the pains we endure are the result of our own sin and waywardness. Speak now Your promised forgiveness to us. Give us the faith to endure, trusting solely in Your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.**

ABSOLUTION

LSB 203

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

- P** Lord, have mercy,
C **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, amid our questioning of Your designs in the face of our troubles, help us to come to You daily in true repentance. Grant to us true humility of faith and trust in Your everlasting love; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

APOSTLES' CREED

P We confess our faith together, using the words of the 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

OPENING SONG - "O Come to the Altar"

- 1 Are you hurting and broken within?
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin?
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself?
Do you thirst for a drink from the well?
Jesus is calling
- 2, 4 O come to the altar
5, 8 The Father's arms are open wide
9 Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ
- 3 Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today, there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes, a new life is born
Jesus is calling
- 6, 7 Oh, what a Savior
Isn't He wonderful?
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen
Bow down before Him
For He is Lord of all
Sing hallelujah, Christ is risen

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Job 38:1-11

(God is Creator, you are not!)

- ¹Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said:
²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
³Dress for action like a man;
I will question you, and you make it known to me.
⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,
⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,
⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 124; antiphon: v. 8

L ⁸Our help is in the name of the LORD,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

L ¹If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—
C **let Israel now say—**

L ²if it had not been the LORD who was on our side
C **when people rose up against us,**

L ³then they would have swallowed us up alive,
C **when their anger was kindled against us;**

L ⁴then the flood would have swept us away,
C **the torrent would have gone over us;**

L ⁵then over us would have gone
C **the raging waters.**

L ⁶Blessèd be the LORD,
C **who has not given us**
 as prey to their teeth!

L ⁷We have escaped like a bird
from the snare of the fowlers;
C **the snare is broken,**
 and we have escaped!

L ⁸Our help is in the name of the LORD,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

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

L ⁸Our help is in the name of the LORD,
C who made heaven and earth.

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

(Christ's love compels perseverance through all hardships.)

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“In a favorable time I listened to you,
and in a day of salvation I have helped you.”

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Mark 4:41b

P Alleluia. Who then is this,

C that even wind and sea obey Him? Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:35-41

(Jesus calms the storm.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

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

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, *“Let us go across to the other side.”* ³⁶And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. ³⁷And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, *“Peace! Be still!”* And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, *“Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?”*

⁴¹And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

LAMB’S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. A **basket** is available in the narthex as you exit.

2. Please **send** your offerings to

St. Luke's Lutheran Church

4801 Anderson Avenue

Manhattan, KS 66503

3. Give through our **website**:

<https://stlukesmanhattan.org>

[/about-us/financial-support/](https://stlukesmanhattan.org/about-us/financial-support/)

Electronic Funds Transfer - Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Mark 4:40 – “He said to them, ‘Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?’” Faith means trust. If we trust the Lord, what do we have to be afraid of? Isn't it fear that holds us back in our stewardship? Isn't it fear that stops us from following the Lord's Word to give generously toward His work in the church? Well ... “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” The Lord has proved His trustworthiness by His cross. You can trust Him.

OFFERTORY - “We are an Offering” Romans 12:1

1, 5 We lift our voices, we lift our hands

We lift our lives up to You, we are an offering

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands

Lord use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering

2, 4 All that we have, all that we are

All that we hope to be we give to You

We give to You

3 We lift our voices, we lift our hands

We lift our lives up to You, we are an offering, we are an offering

6 We are an offering

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, You see the chaos and rage of the world unhinged from Your design and guidance. Turn the hearts of tyrants and calm the minds of those lost in error. Raise up and strengthen leaders who know and follow Your will of peace and freedom. From our need we turn to You: Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give to Your whole church throughout the world the boldness and humility to proclaim Your righteous judgments and Your gracious redemption to all. Give courage to all pastors and teachers in Your church to speak Your Word to a world in need of Your mercy. From our need we turn to You: Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P For all Your people here present who wait upon You for forgiveness, instruction, and the courage of faith, be our very present help to trust in Your grace with all our being. From our need we turn to You: Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Hear our petitions for all who are sick; for the homebound in our parish; for any who cry to You for help and healing, [*especially . . .*]; and those who have requested our prayers. From our need and theirs we turn to You: Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We remember all who have gone before us and are with You beyond the troubles of this world. Keep Your heavenly light in our hearts and minds that we may walk in sure and certain hope of our eternal salvation. From our need we turn to You: Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

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

C **hear our prayer. Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

CONCLUDING COLLECT

P Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **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.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "The Lord be with you," "Peace be with you," or "The peace of the Lord be with you".

CLOSING SONG - "One True God"

- 1 I don't have a god I can put on a stand
Or a god I hold in the palm of my hand
I have a God who's holding me
I don't have a god that I can create
In the place I live with the money I make
I have a God, He made everything
So I don't need a temporary man-made deity
When I got the real thing, I got the real thing
- 2, 4, 6, 7 He's the Lord of all the Earth
The maker of all things
He alone is the one true God
Kingdoms rise and fall
But even through it all
He remains the one true God
- 3 I don't have a thing that I got on my own
I don't have a care that I carry alone
I have a God who's carrying me
I don't have a sin that He doesn't forgive
And I don't have a heart that is worthy of His
But I have God who still loves me
So I don't need a temporary man-made deity
When I got the real thing, I got the real thing

5 Who is this King of Glory?
 The Lord strong and mighty
 Who is this King of Glory?
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 Who is this King of Glory?
 Who is this King of Glory?
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