

Pentecost 4, June 20, 2021, **Order of Worship**

**Announcements, Concerns, Joys**

**Call to Worship, Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32**

\***Confession and Forgiveness** (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020 Augsburg Fortress, p. 198)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin: God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God, *in* Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. *By* Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. *Through* Jesus, the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

\***Gathering Hymn** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* (public domain) LBW 467, ELW 756, HP 69

*Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave,  
Who bade the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep:  
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Savior, whose almighty word the winds and waves submissive heard,  
Who walked upon the foaming deep, and calm amid the storm didst sleep:  
Oh, hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.*

*O Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude,  
And bid its angry tumult cease, and give, for wild confusion, peace:  
Now evermore shall rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.*

\***The Kyrie**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

**\*Prayer of the Day** O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**A reading from Job, the 38<sup>th</sup> chapter (38:1-11)** At the end of the book of Job, after Job and his companions have argued about the cause of the great suffering Job endures, God finally speaks. These verses begin that speech, which is a grand vision of creation, describing God's ordering of the cosmos and inviting Job to marvel at its beauty. (*Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 212, Augsburg Fortress). [After each reading the response is, "The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**"]

**A reading from 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians, the sixth chapter (6:1-13)** Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected his people but is graciously working for our salvation (*Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 212, Augsburg Fortress).

**\*Alleluia!** *Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!*

**\*Gospel** **Mark 4:35-41** By calming the storm on the sea, Jesus reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. (In the beginning, in Genesis, our God brings "chaos," which is water raging out of control, under his submission.) The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence (*Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 212, Augsburg Fortress). Before the gospel: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

After the gospel: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

### **Sermon**

**\*Hymn of the Day** *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me* (public domain) LBW 334, ELW 755, HP 3825/1678  
The tune is unfamiliar to some, so the entire hymn is printed after the sermon.

### **\*The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

**\*The Prayers of the Church** (from *Sundays & Seasons*, 2020, p. 213, Augsburg Fortress)  
(Response to “Lord, in your mercy” is “**hear our prayer.**”)

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace, through Jesus Christ,  
our Lord, who taught us to pray, **Our Father, who art in heaven. . . .**

### **Holy Communion**

**Words of Institution**

**The Lord’s Prayer (traditional)**

**Receiving the body and blood of Jesus**

**\*Communion blessing**

**\*Prayer after communion**

### **\*Benediction**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn** *When Peace like a River* (public domain) LBW 346, ELW 785, HP 1690/8507

*When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well (it is well), it is well (it is well), it is well, it is well with my soul.*

*Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul  
It is well (it is well), it is well (it is well), it is well, it is well with my soul.*

*Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul.  
It is well (it is well), it is well (it is well), it is well, it is well with my soul.*

### **\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ!  
**Thanks be to God!**