



And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!"

Luke 7:14b

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

Third Sunday After Pentecost – June 9th 2013

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*We welcome you to St. John Lutheran Church. We are delighted to have you worship with us this morning. Should you have no permanent church-home in this community, why not consider making this one your own? Please sign the guest book as you leave worship today or the attendance pad in the pew. You are most welcome here at St. John! Most elements of our service can be found in the bulletin, everything else is in the hymnal. Page refers to the numbered pages towards the front of the hymnal, hymns are bold and towards the back. Please rise when there is an *, congregational responses are in **bold**, and underlined elements of the service are found in the hymnal.*

HOLY COMMUNION
Third Sunday after Pentecost – June 9th, 2013

The time after Pentecost is a teaching time and a growing time in the life of the church. Today's texts celebrate God's ability and intention to provide us with a new lease on life. To that end we gather today with the whole people of God to be instructed by the word and nourished in the blessed sacrament.

Today the church commemorates three renewers of the church: Columba (d. 597), Aidan (d. 651) & Bede (d. 735)

PRELUDE: *This Is My Father's World* -Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915 -Arr. by Roger Summers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
abounding in steadfast love toward us,
healing the sick and raising the dead,
showering us with every good gift.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Just and gracious God,
we come to you for healing and life.
Our sins hurt others and diminish us;
we confess them to you.
Our lives bear the scars of sin;
we bring these also to you.
Show us your mercy, O God.
Bind up our wounds,
forgive us our sins,
and free us to love,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Amen.

The apostle Paul assures us:
"When we were dead in our trespasses,
God made us alive together with Christ,
nailing the record of our sins to the cross."
Jesus says to you, + "Your sins are forgiven."
Be at peace, and tell everyone
how much God has done for you.
Amen.

GATHERING HYMN #651: *Oh, Praise the Gracious Power

***GREETING**

From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,
grace and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.

2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.

3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:

Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;

Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.

on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.

Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.

For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you have assured the human family of eternal life through Jesus Christ. Deliver us from the death of sin, and raise us to new life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:17-24

Having offered hospitality to Elijah, a widow in Zarephath loses her son to an illness. Through prayer, Elijah restores the boy to life, and the joyful mother acknowledges that Elijah is indeed a man of God.

¹⁷After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. ¹⁸She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" ¹⁹But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" ²¹Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." ²²The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again,

and he revived. ²³Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." ²⁴So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

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| <p>1) I will exalt you, Lord
For you have lifted me
And have not let my foes rejoice
Or gain the victory</p> | <p>4) His wrath is quickly past,
Love's day is never done;
Though weeping may spend all the night,
Joy rises with the Sun</p> |
| <p>2) Lord God, I cried to you
And you have made me whole;
You brought me up, O Lord, from death
And you restored my soul</p> | <p>5) You take my sackcloth off,
Turn wailing into praise
And you, O Lord, will clothe my life
With shining joy always</p> |
| <p>3) You servants of the Lord,
Come now and let us sing;
Remembering his holiness,
Give thanks to God our King</p> | <p>6) Therefore my heart sings out
To you unceasingly;
O Lord My God, all thanks to you
Forevermore will be.</p> |

Tune: Festal Song

From *A New Metrical Psalter* by Christopher L. Webber

SECOND READING: Galatians 1: 11–24

The apostle and church-planter Paul tells the story of his ministry given to him by Jesus Christ. In the midst of grave tension in his church in Galatia, he assures his congregation that his work is centered in the pure gospel of Jesus Christ, unlike the other teachers among them.

¹¹For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; ¹²for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. ¹⁴I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased ¹⁶to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, ¹⁷nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

¹⁸Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; ¹⁹but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! ²¹Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, ²²and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; ²³they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴And they glorified God because of me.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

***GOSPEL READING: Luke 7:11 - 17**

Jesus' ministry bears witness to God's coming reign, where the lowly are shown mercy and the dead are raised. Here, Jesus ministers to a widow by raising her only son to life.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹¹Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. ¹²As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. ¹³When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." ¹⁴Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" ¹⁵The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. ¹⁶Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!" ¹⁷This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON
SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY #452: *Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death



*** APOSTLES CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Rejoicing in the good news of God come near, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

God of faithfulness, bless Christians everywhere with the courage and compassion to be your church, offering themselves to the world in unity and love. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of wisdom, give us eyes to see the earth as an expression of your love, and teach us wisdom to live upon it with gentleness, care, and humility. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of mercy, we pray for the nations and peoples of the world. Come with the mercy you have promised from of old. Be this world's hope and salvation. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of compassion, touch the lives of all who suffer now especially John, Kathy, Jim, Raymond, George, Wanda Jean, Helen, Margaret, Francis & Grace, Kathryn, Ed, Fred & Jane, and David & Ellen. Where there is despair, bring hope; where there is illness, bring health; where there is death, bring life everlasting. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of love, we pray for those recently married, and for all those preparing to join their lives in faithfulness to each other. Uphold them in their vows and teach them gentleness and mercy. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of the ages, we thank you for the saints especially Columba, Aidan, and Bede, renewers of your church, whom we commemorate today. Through their lives of faithful witness may we glimpse your steadfast love. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God of compassion, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your great mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING**OFFERING HYMN #758: *You Are the Way******OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray,
 God of mercy and grace,
 the eyes of all wait upon you,
 and you open your hand in blessing.
 Fill us with good things at your table,
 that we may come to the help of all in need,
 through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.
Amen.

***DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**

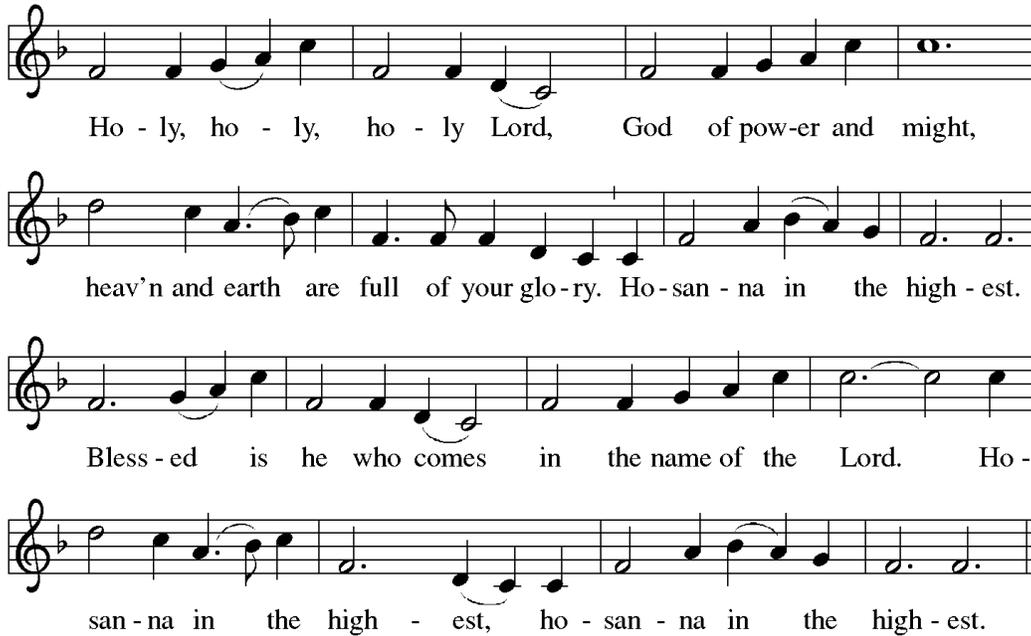
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
 that we should at all times and in all places
 give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
 through our Savior Jesus Christ;
 who on this day overcame death and the grave,
 and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
 And so, with all the choirs of angels,
 with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
 we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God,

our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer,
 in the harmonious world of your creation,
 the plants and animals,
 the seas and stars
 were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world,
 you sent your Son to heal our ills
 and to form us again into one.

In the night in which he was handed over,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
 his acts of healing,
 his body given up,
 and his victory over death,
 we await that day when all the peoples of the earth
 will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal:
 as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread,
 so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth,
 that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
 Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
 in your holy Church,
 both now and forever.

Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet.
 Welcome to the feast.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

In response to Jesus' invitation, all are welcome to come forward and experience the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine of communion. Through this meal, we know forgiveness, life and salvation as the blessings of God's sacramental grace. All are invited forward for communion or a blessing. The inner ring of individual cups has grape juice.



COMMUNION SONG

1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMN #629: Abide with Me***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in grace. **Amen.**

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

O God, as a mother comforts her child,
 so you comfort your people,
 carrying us in your arms
 and satisfying us with this food and drink,
 the body and blood of Christ.
 Send us now as your disciples,
 announcing peace and proclaiming
 that the reign of God has come near;
 through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

***BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.
 The Lord look upon you with favor
 and + give you peace.

Amen.

***SENDING SONG #393: A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!** (the text of this hymn comes from Bede)

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Proclaim the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: O Worship the King -Johann M. Hayden, 1815 -Arr. by Joel Raney

The flowers on the altar are given by Janet Senka in celebration of her and George's 33rd wedding anniversary.

Assisting Minister: Christine Dishong
Usher: Sally Foster
Counters: Sandy Hill & Christine Dishong

Communion Assistant: The Leikauf's
Acolyte: Madison Cardinal

Attendance Last Week (wk 1 of June): 54

Attendance Last Year (wk 1 of June): 54

Budgeted Weekly Need: \$2,669.62 →
 (2013 Annual Budget of \$138,820 divided by 52 weeks)

Last Week's Giving: \$3,511; earmarked \$185
Year to Date Receipts: \$73,472.05

YTD Budgeted Expenses: \$61,401.15 (Weekly Expense
 Need multiplied by 23 weeks - as of 6/9/13)

YTD Actual Expenses: \$54,619.86

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This week in worship we commemorate Columba (who died in 597), Aidan (who died in 651) and Bede (who died in 735) – all three were renewers of the church.

These were three monks from the British Isles who were pillars among those who kept alive the light of learning and devotion during the Middle Ages.

Columba founded three monasteries, including one on the island of Iona, off the coast of Scotland. That monastery was left in ruins five hundred years ago but is now a vibrant ecumenical community – in fact Pastor Mark's favorite hymn, "Will You Come and Follow Me" comes from the community of Iona.

Aidan, who helped bring Christianity to the Northumbria (central) area of England, was known for his pastoral style and ability to stir people to charity and good works.

Bede was a Bible translator and a scripture scholar. He wrote a history of the English church and was the first historian to date events *anno Domini* (A.D.), "year of our Lord." Bede is also known for writing hymn lyrics – one of which is in our hymnal and which we sang today as our sending hymn.

