6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021

Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting VIII

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church

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Michelle Tune, Soprano
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Order of the Liturgy

Prelude "Serenity" Roger C. Wilson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The rose on the altar is in honor of the birth of LiJie Malosi Chang Cuatt on June 27, 2021. LiJie is the grandson of Dave Cuatt and Kris Pilon.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

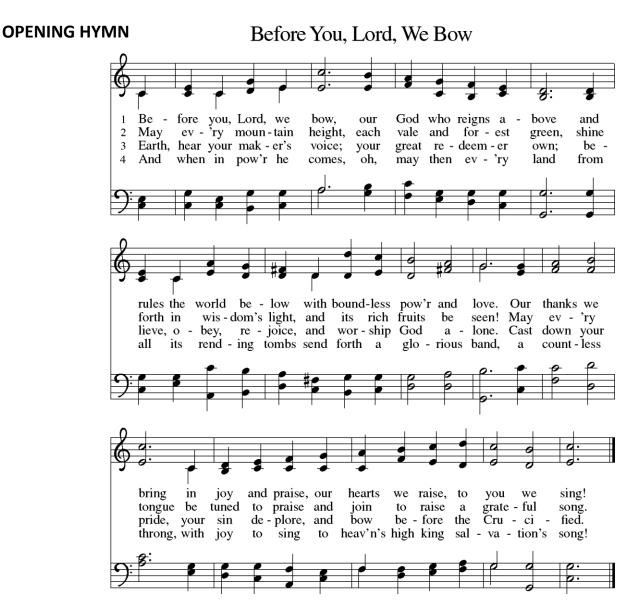
help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share 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,



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you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**



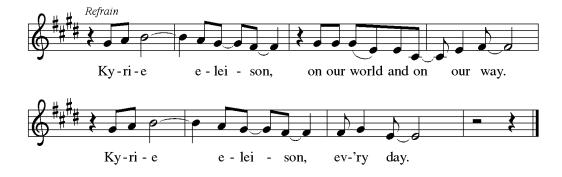
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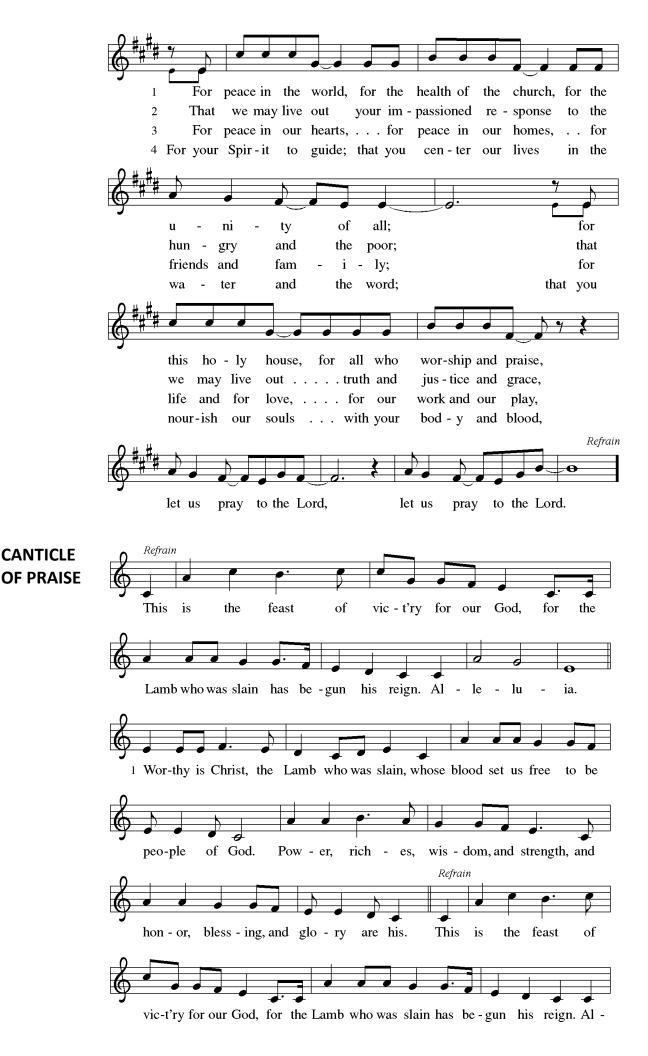
GREETING

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ; the love of God; and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

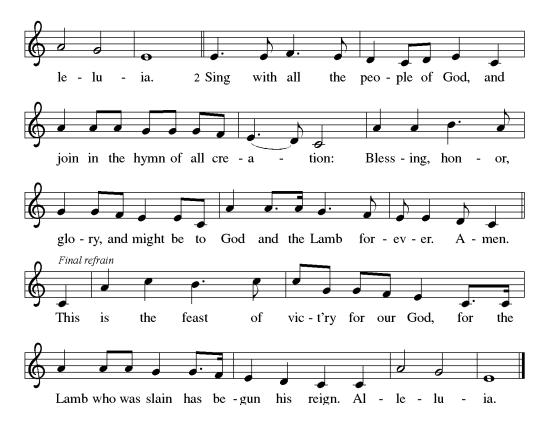
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CANTICLE

Lector: Karen DeGilio



PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. ²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 123 *The congregation responds with the bold verses.*

¹To you I lift | up my eyes, to you enthroned | in the heavens.

²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand | of her mistress,

so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show | us your mercy.

³Have mercy upon us, O | Lord, have mercy,

for we have had more than enough | of contempt,

⁴too much of the scorn of the in- | dolent rich, and of the derision | of the proud.

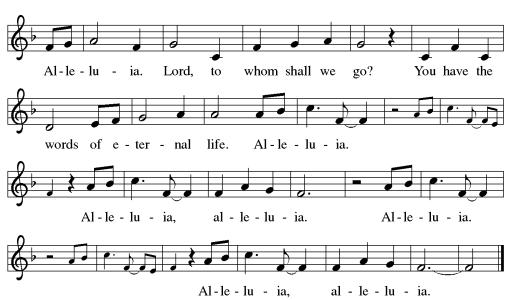
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SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven— whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13

¹[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send

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them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Pastor Zach Johnson



Text: Rusty Edwards, b. 1955
Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune; arr. hymnal version
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy." The assembly responds with "Hear our prayer."

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly share a virtual sign of peace.

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

HOLY COMMUNION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

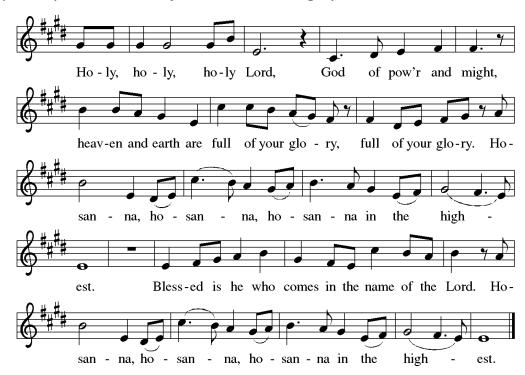
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory...Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us...

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are invited into a time of reflection before they receive communion. During this time, you may prepare your hearts to receive the sacrament. Once ready, you may commune yourself and those around you with the bread and wine/grape juice. A representative from each household may say the following—bread: "The body of Christ given for you." Wine/grape juice: "The blood of Christ shed for you."

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep in his grace, now and forever.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All speak the prayer together.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. Amen.

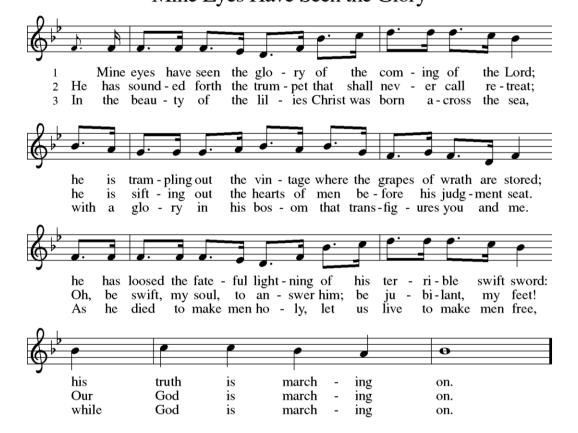
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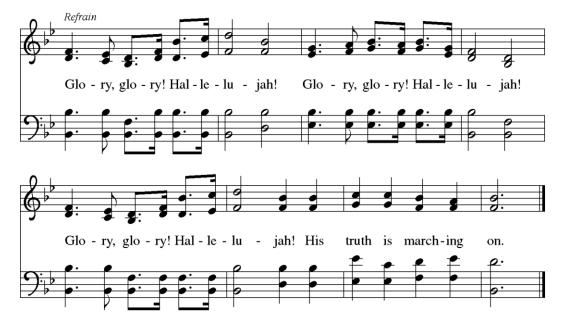
The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, \pm be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 890

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory





Text: Julia Ward Howe, 1819–1910 Music: BATTLE HYMN, North American, 19th cent.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Processional in B-Flat"

Anthony Giamanco

Today's altar flowers are donated by Lija Kalejs in celebration of the 4th of July and in memory of my sister, Nora, and my father who both went to their heavenly home in the month of July - Nora in 2016; my father in 2020.

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Calendar This Week		
Today	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship – Happy 4 th !!
Sat 7/10/21	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open
Sun 7/11/21	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship

Join us this Sunday at 10 am for our Virtual Worship via Zoom!

Check in a few minutes early and hear prelude by Grace! You may also join us on Facebook Live. We look forward to seeing your faces and worshiping together!

We will continue after our service on the same link for our fellowship time!

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church Worship

Time: Sundays at 10:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/95007590439?pwd=M2NmMUZCZzhMOUY0SG8xeHpxcU5RUT09

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We've made it through a difficult year and more! We have resumed Sunday services in the sanctuary. We ask that you follow these guidelines to ensure safety for everyone.

- 1. Everyone will be required to wear a mask in the sanctuary.
- 2. Everyone will be required to wear a mask while singing in the sanctuary.
- 3. We will enter the church through the glass doors on Hill Avenue. (There will be a surprise on the front side of the church to welcome us all back!)
- 4. Pews will be marked off to allow for distancing.
- 5. There will be a 1-way flow in the church: we enter through the center doors of the narthex and exit the church down the side aisles. If you need to leave during the service, exit down the side aisles and return down the center aisle.
- 6. Upon entering the narthex, you will receive hand sanitizer and a smile from the volunteer at the door.
- 7. You may leave your offering in the plate inside the narthex.
- 8. Pick up a communion set at the table and then proceed into the sanctuary. There will be 3 options for communion: bread and wine, bread and juice, and gluten-free bread and wine. Only take one set for yourself. Wait for communion instructions before opening the packet.
- 9. Please bring a copy of the bulletin with you to church. You may also use your phone or tablet.

If you have any questions, please see one of our happy volunteers on the front patio, in the narthex, or in the sanctuary.

We will not be setting up a coffee cart with treats for this Sunday, but we will still mention some very special celebrations for the day.

Other Announcements:

We are once again looking for volunteers for the upcoming months to sponsor the **Altar Flowers**. Cost is \$70 for the twin arrangements or sign up for just a single. Contact the office or Anita Mork.

Check out this quarter's edition of **Christ in Our Home**! Take home a pocket or full size edition of this daily devotional today, they can be found in the narthex, or contact the office for pickup options.