# **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

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Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting VI

**Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church** 

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### **Order of the Liturgy**

**Prelude** "What Beautiful Stars" Yiruma

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

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

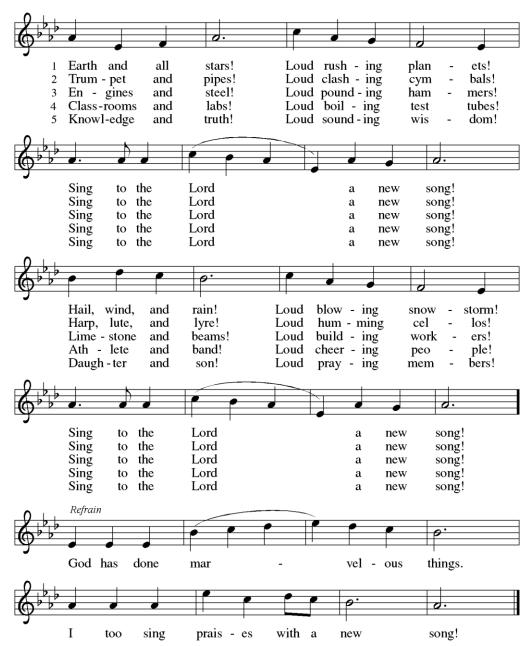
Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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 will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.





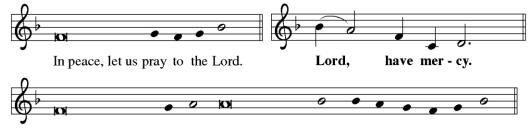
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#### **GREETING**

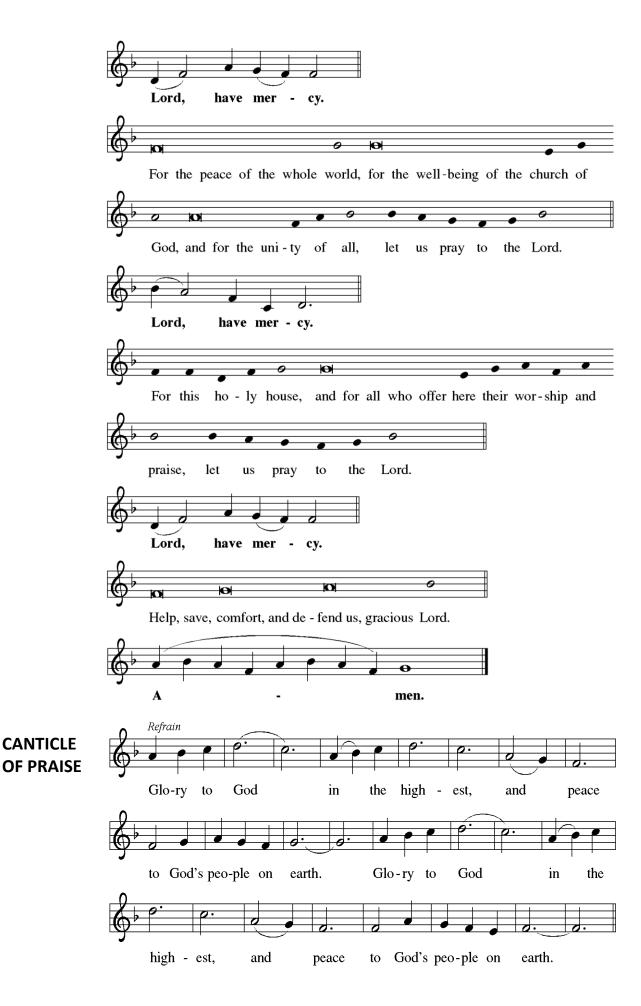
The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ; the love of God; and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

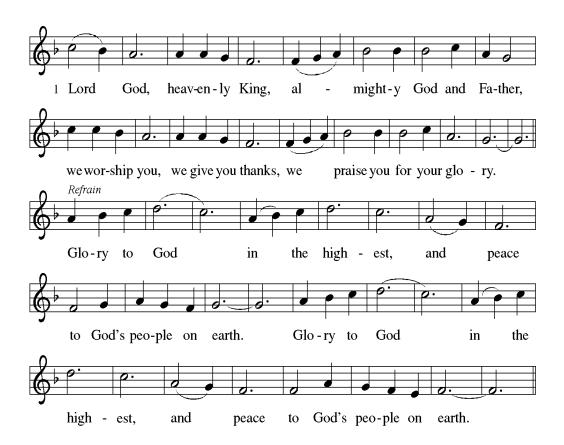
## And also with you.





For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

<sup>5</sup>The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; <sup>6</sup>and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. <sup>7</sup>But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup>The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup>As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18** *The congregation responds with the bold verses.* 

<sup>1</sup>Your love, O LORD, forever | will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will pro- I claim your faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup>For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever; you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.

They walk, O LORD, in the light | of your presence.

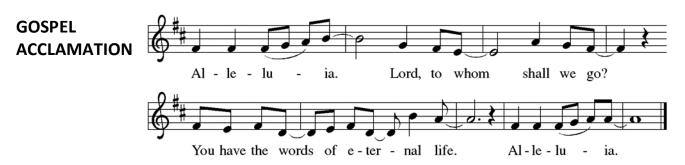
### **SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23**

<sup>12</sup>Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. <sup>14</sup>For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup>What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup>Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? <sup>17</sup>But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, <sup>18</sup>and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup>I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

<sup>20</sup>When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup>So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup>But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. <sup>23</sup>For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



#### GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>40</sup>"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>"I have made a covenant with my <sup>|</sup> chosen one; I have sworn an oath to Da- <sup>|</sup> vid my servant:

<sup>4&#</sup>x27;I will establish your | line forever, and preserve your throne for all | generations.'"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>Happy are the people who know the <sup>1</sup> festal shout!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>They rejoice daily | in your name; they are jubilant | in your righteousness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup>For you are the glory <sup>I</sup> of their strength, and by your favor our might <sup>I</sup> is exalted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>Truly, our shield belongs | to the LORD; our king to the Holy | One of Israel.

righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; <sup>42</sup>and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The Gospel of our Lord. Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** Pastor Zach Johnson

**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

## Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

**ELW 890** 



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

#### **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

Each petition ends with "God, in your mercy." The assembly responds with "hear our prayer."

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** - The presiding and the assembly share a virtual sign of peace. The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

**OFFERING PRAYER -** All speak the prayer together.

God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

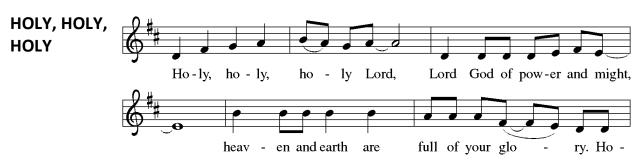
#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

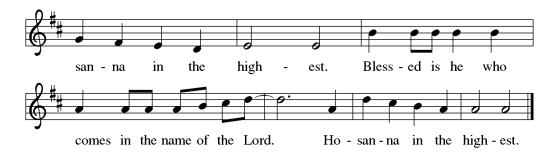
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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.

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





#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.** 

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

#### LORD'S PRAYER

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

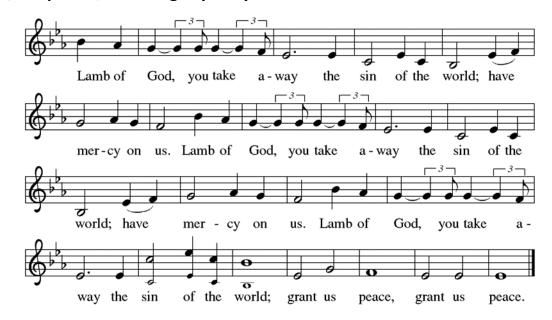
Give us today our daily bread.

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.

#### **LAMB OF GOD**



#### **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.

We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

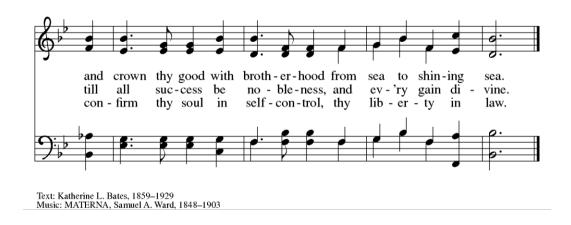
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\oplus$  give you peace. **Amen.** 

SENDING HYMN ELW 888





#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Battle Hymn of the Republic (Glory, Glory Hallelujah)" Julia Ward Howe

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

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Calendar This Week			
Every Sunday	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship Service	
Tues 7/4/23	Office Closed	Celebrate the 4 <sup>th</sup> of July!!!	
Sat 7/8/23	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open	

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Pastor Zach has updated his office hours to Tues, Wed & Thurs, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm. Stop by, make an appointment, give a call, get in touch and say Hi!

Please note there is no Bible Study on Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>!

Our wonderful member Irene Amon is preparing for her doctoral comprehensive exams, so to help support Irene consider taking her out for a meal, making a good luck basket, or finding your own way to show how much we appreciate all the hard work she is doing to receive her degree, and in our community making it a better place.

We are sad to announce that Shelly Baum joined the Church Triumphant on Thursday, June 15th. Her family is thankful that Shelly is now at peace after 102 years of loving the Lord and being a blessing to so many. She will be cremated and her remains will be shipped to MN for burial with her mom and dad. Her family will work with Pr. Zach to plan a service for Shelly, sometime in the future at HAGL.

A special thank you to those who attended our first Spending Evening Together event!! We are planning for the second event to be held on a Tuesday later in July. We are hoping to get an idea of how many people will attend, to know how much food to have on hand. Please let Pastor or Irene know if you can attend. Invite your friends to come join in the fun! Bring those

cookies, chips, salads or other snacks to share!

At the SW Synod Assembly the first weekend of June, they started a brand new fund for disability ministries. Congregations can receive a scholarship that want to make changes to their facilities or worship practices that makes their ministry more accessible to all. If you are feeling generous please send the SW Synod a donation to help support this new fund which will greatly benefit the entire synod and the church as a whole.

**Hymn Requests**—Submit your favorite hymn(s) to be included during the worship service during the summer months! Use the form at the end of this bulletin and contact Pastor or the office and let us know which hymn you'd like to hear! It can be any hymn from our hymnal, from any part of the year, like Christmas, Easter, whenever. The worship committee will work to include your choice!

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

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

**Join Zoom Meeting** 

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We are back to joining at the altar for communion. We will be going up the center aisle and returning down the side aisles. If you are not comfortable with that, pick up a

communion set at the table in the narthex 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.

The service will still be available on Zoom and Facebook Live for those who prefer to remain at home. If you have questions, please let our church office know. We look forward to actually seeing you at church this Sunday!



Submit your favorite hymn(s) to be included during the worship service during the summer months! Drop this form in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Your choice can be any hymn from our hymnal, from any part of the year, like Christmas, Easter, whenever. Include a dedication if you like! The worship committee will work to include your choice!

Hymn Name and/or Number:	
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