

5th Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2024

Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Pentecost Peace

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church

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Order of the Liturgy

Prelude *"Be Still, My Soul"* (from "Finlandia" by Jean Sibelius) arr. Victor Labenske

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit: **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are in bondage 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.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, 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 ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



Hill Ave Grace
Lutheran Church

OPENING HYMN

We Praise You, O God

ELW 870

1 We praise you, O God, our re - deem - er, cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and mo - thers;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

Text: Julia C. Cory, 1882–1963
 Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, *Nederlandsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626

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.**

GATHERING SONG—SACRED SPACE

6 Ga-thered in this sa-cred space, with us is the
 11 Hel-per, sent to seal your gift of grace in our hearts for e-ver.

15 Train our ears to hear her sigh with our soul's deep long-ing;
for true fel-low-ship we cry, ev'-ry-one be-long-ing.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE – TAPESTRY OF PEACE

8 Let us join our di-verse voi-ces in your praise;
13 may our sto-ries sing your glo-ry all our days. Weave a
18 ta-pes-try of peace in our mul-ti-co-lored strands; let all fear and hat-red
22 cease as we lift our hearts and hands. Your trans-cen-dent name con-
26 fes-sing, may our hi-er-ar-chies fall; let us share cre-a-tion's
bles-sings so your love is known and shown to all.

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.**

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare 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 heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—
⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,
¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
 and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 *The congregation responds with the bold verses.*

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the ¹LORD is good, for God’s mercy en- ¹dures forever.

²**Let the redeemed of the ¹LORD proclaim
 that God redeemed them from the hand ¹of the foe,**

³gathering them in ¹from the lands;
 from the east and from the west, from the north and ¹from the south.

²³**Some went down to the ¹sea in ships, plying their trade ¹in deep waters.**

²⁴They beheld the works ¹of the LORD, God’s wonderful works ¹in the deep.

²⁵**Then God spoke, and a stormy ¹wind arose, which tossed high the waves ¹of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended ¹to the depths;
 their souls melted away ¹in their peril.

²⁷**They staggered and ¹reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of ¹no avail.**

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried ¹to the LORD, and you delivered them from ¹their distress.

²⁹**You stilled the storm ¹to a whisper and silenced the waves ¹of the sea.**

³⁰Then were they glad when ¹it grew calm,
 when you guided them to the harbor ¹they desired.

³¹**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your ¹steadfast love
 and your wonderful works ¹for all people.**

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly ¹of the people;
 in the council of the elders, let them sing ¹hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, to whom shall we go?
 You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al - le-lu - ia!

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.”

³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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

SERMON

Pastor Garry Mohr

HYMN OF THE DAY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

ELW 858

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
 and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
 sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
 All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
 Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
 Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
 Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.

join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 if with his love he be - friend you.
 Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
 Music: LOBE DEN HERREN, *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

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 "Lord, 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.*

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray you, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

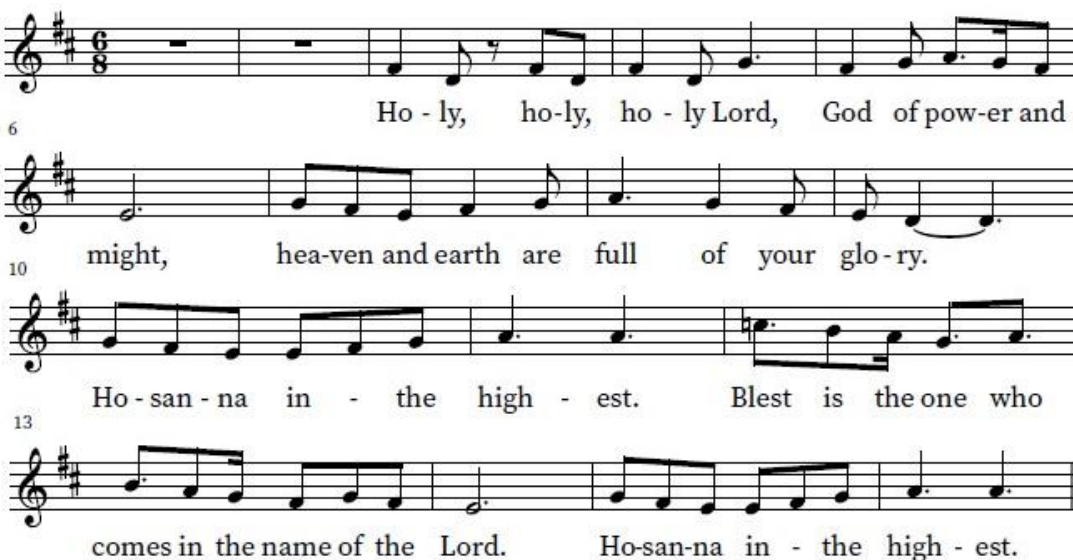
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.

**HOLY, HOLY,
HOLY**



6 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
10 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
13 Ho - san - na in - the high - est. Blest is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in - the high - est.

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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 temptations but deliver us from evil.

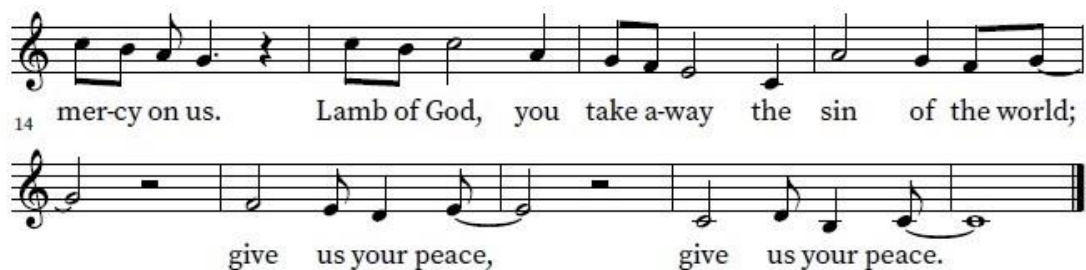
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

LAMB OF GOD



6 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
10 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



14 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
give us your peace, give us your peace.

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.”**

COMMUNION HYMN

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.**

SENDING SONG - BE THE GOOD NEWS



6 In our lea-ving, peace re-cei-ving, keep us in joy di -
10 vine; in our pray-ing, work-ing, play-ing let hea-ven's good-ness
14 shine. Now send us out in your Spi-rit to be the good news where we
18 are. Let's not weigh what we have to off-er; each kind act we do can go
22 far. We yearn for a world with-out vio-lence, we long for a life free from
25 pain. O Christ be the light in our dark-ness and we'll see that
faith, hope, love still re - main.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - *All speak the prayer together.*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**BLESSING**

May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you his peace. In the name of the Father, the \dagger Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN**Day by Day****ELW 790**

1 Day by day, your mer-cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day - by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens

to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me

draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter

mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,

lead me to the home I trea-sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor-row till in glo - ry I be-hold your face.
 with your pres-ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom-ised land.

Text: Carolina Sandell Berg, 1832–1903; tr. Robert Leaf, 1936–2005
 Music: BLOTTEN DAG, Oskar Ahnfelt, 1813–1882
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DISMISSAL

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

Postlude

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

arr. Mark Hayes

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
Wed 6/26/24	10:00 AM	Bible Study in the Chapel
Sat 6/29/24	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday June 30th is an important day for the future of our congregation! A **Special Congregational Meeting will be held right after worship service to nominate the Call Committee**. Lunch and refreshments will be provided!! If you are able, please bring cookies or bars (something that does not need plates or utensils) to share! After the very short Congregational meeting everyone is invited to stay and work with the synod staff who will be here to help us put down our goals for our congregation and a new pastor, to help the Call Committee. Please plan to attend the Congregational and synod meetings, and let anyone on council know if you'd like to be part of the Call Committee!

Dedicate Altar Flowers. There are still a few slots available for the upcoming months to sponsor the Altar Flowers. Cost is \$70 for the twin arrangements or \$35 for a single. Add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex today, or contact the office to claim a date!

The Hill Avenue Grace Food Shelf needs volunteers! We're looking for new, friendly faces to help distribute food on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 AM. You can help out as often or as little as you want. If you're open to hearing more, please contact Tobe Poehlmann at foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org.



The Southwest CA Synod has proclaimed June 30, 2024 as *Solheim Sunday* within the synod. With this special designation, the synod council has granted Solheim permission to ask synod congregations to support Solheim's ministry by giving a special offering. Donations may be channeled through the congregation and the synod office or directly to Solheim through a special giving envelope.

Hill Avenue Grace has been involved with Solheim for generations, with several members serving on the Board over the years, members who reside at Solheim, and a previous Executive Director, who is a long time member of HAGL.

Contributions from SWCA Synod congregations are providing charitable care, spiritual care, activities, transportation services and abundant living for residents. Your support enables Solheim to continue to be a premier care provider for older adults.

Join the SWCA Synod in Synod-wide recognition of Solheim's ministry to older adults and in celebration of 100 years of dedication to loving and caring for seniors. Special giving envelopes will be available, and you may make your gift either directly to Solheim, or to Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church, and write Solheim in the memo.

Contact Tina Antypas for more information,
tantypas@solheimsenior.org



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 worshipping together!

Join Zoom Meeting

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

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We join 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!