

CHRIST OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Mark Voss - Pentecost 7 – July 3, 2016



OPENING HYMN – “For the Fruit of His Creation”

CW 611

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:

C: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

P: If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness,

C: we lie and do not live by the truth.

P: If we claim to be without sin,

C: we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

CONFESSION OF SIN

All: God our Creator: you lead our ancestors to this land, and, out of conflict, created in us a love of peace and liberty. We have failed you. Forgive us for taking our freedom for granted. Forgive pride that overlooks wrong or injustice. Forgive divisions caused by prejudice and greed. Forgive us for failing to pray for those who lead us, that they might be guided by you. Most of all, forgive us for failing to let the truths of our faith shine in our lives as citizens of this land. Have mercy on us and forgive us through Christ. Amen.

Silence for personal examination and confession.

ABSOLUTION

P: If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Upon this your confession, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

1 John 1:9

C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

“Beautiful Savior”

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**Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, Truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.**

**Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be thine!**

GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Psalm 124 - *The LORD is at our side*

If the LORD had not been on our side-- let Israel say--
if the LORD had not been on our side when men attacked us,
when their anger flared against us, they would have swallowed us alive; the flood would
have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us,
the raging waters would have swept us away.

Praise be to the LORD, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird out of the fowler's snare;
the snare has been broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Matthew 22:15-22 – Our duty to God and government



Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by men, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose portrait is this? And whose inscription?" "Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "Give to Caesar what

is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH – The First Article

P: I believe in God the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

C: I believe that God created me and all that exists, and that he gave me my body and soul, eyes and ears and all my members, my mind and all my abilities. And I believe that God still preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, spouse and children, land, cattle, and all I own, and all I need to keep my body and life. God also preserves me by defending me against all danger, guarding and protecting me from evil. All this God does only because he is a good and merciful Father in heaven, and not because I have earned or deserved it. For all this I ought to thank and praise, to serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.

SERMON HYMN – “Blessed Are the Saints of God”

CW 394

SERMON – Galatians 5:1, 13-25

6th In a Series from Galatians

The Freedom Train

¹It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by the yoke of slavery. ¹³You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. ¹⁴The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other. ¹⁶So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law. ¹⁹The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. ²⁵Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

HYMN - "God Bless Our Native Land"

CW 619

GATHERING OUR OFFERINGS AND SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

Lord's Supper

*Our church practices membership communion.
We ask that only members partake of the Sacrament.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COME SHARE THE LORD



We gath - er here in Je - sus' name; His love is
He joins us here; He breaks the bread. The Lord who
We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing; We'll see the



burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame, For thro' the
pours the cup is ris - en from the dead. The one we
glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King. Now we an -



lov - ing Son, The Fa - ther makes us one:
love the most Is now our gra - cious host:
- tic - i - pate The feast for which we wait:



Come, take the bread; come drink the cup; come, share the Lord.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

"America the Beautiful"

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O beau - tif - ul for spa - cious skies, for
O Sove - reign Lord, we rec - og - nize Your
May gen - er - a - tions know your Word, And

am - ber waves of grain. For pur - ple moun - tain
hand on his - to - ry. We call up - on your
teach so all may hear, That bless - ings come up -

ma - jes - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain! A - mer - i - ca! A -
name, oh God In yearn - ing to be free! In love, oh God! In
- on a land That keeps your gos - pel near. We wor - ship you! We

- mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee, And
love, oh God! You give us vic - to - ry. Through
wor - ship you! Who blessed our age - s past. Oh

crown thy good with brother - hood From sea to shin - ing sea!
Je - sus' death on Cal - va - ry You give us Lib - er - ty!
keep us in your way, oh Lord And bring us home at last!



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