

Trinity Lutheran Church – ELCA

612 Water Street, Sparta, Wisconsin

June 12, 2016 9:00 am

Lectionary 11 C



Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Song

We Are Called

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*Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: 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.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Gracious God,

Congregation: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin.

We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Leader: God, who is rich in mercy loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace we have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Congregation: Amen.

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

Congregation: And also with you.

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ, have mercy.

Congregation: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy.

***Glory to God**

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Prayer of the Day:

Draw your church together, O God, into one great company of disciples, together following our teacher Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving in Christ's mission to the world, and together witnessing to your love wherever you will send us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:11-13

He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; ¹²and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

¹³When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?'

Psalm 85:8-13

⁸ Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

⁹ **Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

¹⁰ Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

¹¹ **Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

¹² The Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.

¹³ **Righteousness will go before him,
and will make a path for his steps.**

***Gospel Acclamation**

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

Glory to you O Lord.

‘Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’ Matthew 28:19-21

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

Preacher: Pr. Libby Howe “Sacred Mission”

Hymn of the Day *Lord You Give The Great Commission*

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***Prayers**

Leader: Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation, praying;
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

A brief silence.

From the Assembly: Faithful God, inspire fidelity in your church. Guard it from temptation, and make it place of safety, welcome, and joy for all. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From the Assembly: God of all that is, we encounter you not only in the grandeur of your creation, but in its smallest and quietest parts. Awaken us to your presence all around us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From the Assembly: God of power and might, call the nations of the world to recognize first your authority and justice. Guard all nations from unjust rulers, and bring forth your kingdom of righteousness and peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From the Assembly: God of the lowly, help us recognize hospitality and generosity from unexpected sources, the humanity and goodness of those in prison, the faith and persistence of those who weep. Let our weakness be our strength. We pray especially for the family and friends of Evelyn Olson and for Monte and Joan Roche as Monte's Aunt passed away this week. Also for Barb Bendel Sandvigen, Stan Hays, Juanita Mathews, Michelle Hyatt, and Joanne Dexter. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From the Assembly: God of new life, as you bring newcomers, visitors, and seekers into this assembly, give us hearts open to the new perspectives and gifts they bring. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

From the Assembly: O God, you have called the saints your own. Gather us, with them, into your kingdom, in the promise of life forever with you. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Leader: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

***Sharing of the Peace:**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you. (*we share the peace of Christ*)

Offering *Through wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; and by knowledge the rooms shall be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.*

Proverbs 24:3-4

Offertory: *Salvation Belongs to Our God

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Leader: O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

***The 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.

***Litany of Sending**

Leader: Moses stood before a burning bush, protesting God's call upon him:

"Who am I to go to pharaoh to free the children of Israel? . . .

What will I say when they ask who sent me? . . .

O God, I beg of you, send someone else!" I heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Congregation: Then I said, "Here am I! Send me!"

A child once dreamed that God called him by name—"Samuel."

Jeremiah stood in despair before God who had appointed him a prophet while he was still within his mother's womb: "Sovereign God! I don't know how to speak to the nations; I am too young!" I heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here am I! Send me!"

Mary stood before God's messenger, amazed at the news she was hearing: "But how is it possible for this to take place? . . .

Yet, I am God's servant. So, let it be done as you have said." I heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here am I! Send me!"

Fisherfolk from the Galilean Sea once met a young man who told them to lay aside their nets and follow. I heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here am I! Send me!"

Mary Magdalene stood in joyous tears before the risen Christ, framing the message she would bring to her grieving companions: "I have seen the Lord!" I heard the voice of God saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?"

Then I said, "Here am I! Send me!"

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor and further us with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lord God our Father, you kept Abraham and Sarah in safety throughout the days of their pilgrimage, you led the children of Israel through the midst of the sea, and by a star you led Wise Men to the infant Jesus. Protect and guide us now in this time as we set out to travel, make our ways safe and our homecomings joyful, and bring us at last to our heavenly home, where you dwell in glory with your Son and the Holy Spirit, God forever.

Amen.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God!

Sending Hymn: "Go My Children, With My Blessing" ELW #543

<p>Needed to meet budgeted mission - \$6875.00 Weekly Giving for June 5 - \$4750.00 Simply Giving for – 6/5 – 6/11 - \$1090.00 Attendance for Sunday, June 5 - 176 Attendance for L² - Wednesday Service - 16</p>

Sunday, June 12

Readers - Carol Glaman

Greeters - Al and Jan Jenkins

Counters - June 13- Janice Janzen - Dave Olson - Pete Perkins

Food Pantry

June 14 - Karen Wall & Mary Herrman June 15 - Rita Bernette & Alma Beranek

Flowers - June – Joyce M. Anderson

Coffee Fellowship June 12 - JoEllen Siver and Rita Bernette

Sunday, June 19

Readers - Pauline Haug

Communion Servers - Dave and Joan Olson - Tom Schauer

Greeters - Gary and Sharon Nelson

Counters -June 20 - Fred Olson - Nancy Oswald - Carol Thorsen

Food Pantry - June 22 - Pauline and Ron Haug

Flowers - June – Joyce M. Anderson

Coffee Fellowship June 19 -

Sunday, June 26 - 9:00 am

Readers – Dennis Glaman

Communion Servers – Anje Schmitz – Alice Olson – Les Stanley

Greeters – Dave and Joan Olson

Counters – June 27 – Jeff Powell – Adell Morton – Brenda Degenhardt

Food Pantry - June 29 – PJ and Nancy Sikorski

Flowers - June - Joyce M. Anderson July - Carol Roeske

Coffee Fellowship - June 26 – Lois Harr and Family