

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost*



**Messiah Lutheran Church**  
**Sunday, July 7, 2019**

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## TO OUR GUESTS: WELCOME!

May the God who led you here today refresh you with his grace and peace in Christ Jesus as you spend this hour with us. We're glad you're here.

### *Some helpful things to know*



- ***Let us know that you were here.*** You'll find a visitor's card in the pew rack that you can fill out and either hand to an usher or drop in the offering plate.
- ***Restless children?*** Nursery care is available during the late Sunday morning services. We also have a room where parents can tend to little ones while watching and listening to the service. Ask an usher for directions.
- ***Large print bulletins and personal audio receivers*** are available at Sunday services for any who may find them helpful. Don't hesitate to ask an usher.
- ***May you commune at Messiah?*** Yes, if you're a baptized communicant elsewhere and are able to respond with joyful confidence when Christ invites you to meet him in the sacrament here. As he says of the bread, "This is my body," and of the cup, "This is my blood"; and of both he says, "given and shed for you."
- ***Our communion procedures:*** the sacrament is distributed at the head of the aisle. Come forward as the usher directs. For receiving the wine, two cups are available, one to drink from and a second to dip the host in. Follow your preference. If you choose not to commune but would like even so to receive a blessing, approach the pastor or assisting minister with your arms crossed. For a gluten-free host, quietly ask the pastor.

# 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 7, 8:30 & 10 A.M.

*The congregation is invited to participate at the places marked with **bold** type*

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## WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S GIFTS...

*Music and Quiet*

"In Christ Called to Baptize," Jeffrey Bleresch

*Asking God's Forgiveness (8:30 only)*

*Stand*

In the name of the Father, and 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.

*Silence is kept for self-examination.*

Most merciful God

**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 and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

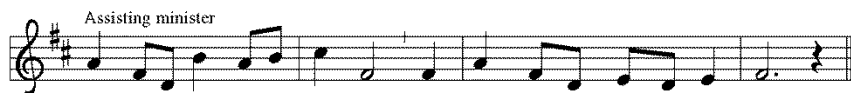
# Opening Hymn

"In Christ Called to Baptize," #575

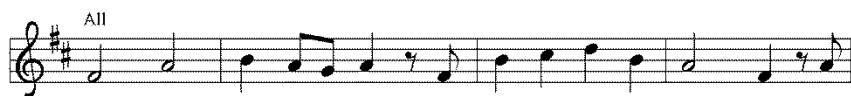
## Baptism (10)

### Greeting

### Singing God's praise (8:30 only)



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



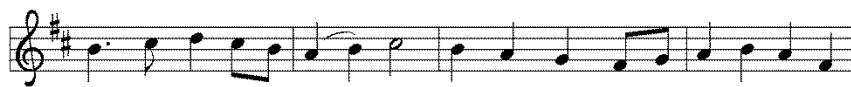
you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



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## GOD'S WORD

### Today's Prayer

Let us pray. O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Sit*

### From the Old Testament

Isaiah 66:10-14

<sup>10</sup>Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her— <sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom.

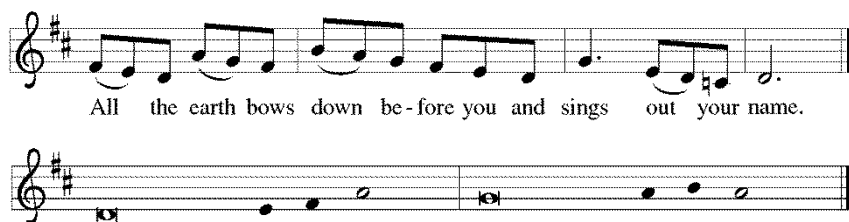
<sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. <sup>13</sup>As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Cantor sings refrain; All sing refrain*



*Cantor sings verses in regular print; All sing verses in bold print*

- <sup>1</sup>Be joyful in God, | all you lands;  
be joyful, | all the earth.
- <sup>2</sup>**Sing the glory | of God's name;  
sing the glory | of God's praise.**
- <sup>3</sup>Say to God, "How awesome | are your deeds!  
Because of your great strength your enemies | cringe before you.
- <sup>4</sup>**All the earth bows | down before you,  
sings to you, sings | out your name." Refrain**
- <sup>5</sup>Come now and see the | works of God,  
how awesome are God's deeds | toward all people.
- <sup>6</sup>**God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wa- | ter  
on foot,  
and there we re- | joiced in God. Refrain**

*From a New Testament letter*

Galatians 6:7-16

<sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

<sup>11</sup>See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup>It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want

you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup>May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*From one of the four Gospels*

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sing praise to God, the highest good,  
The author of creation!  
O God of love, you understood  
Our need for your salvation.  
With healing balm our souls you fill;  
All our lament with peace you still.  
To God all praise and glory!

The Holy Gospel is recorded in the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of St. Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’”

<sup>16</sup>“Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.”

<sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Sit*

*God's Word for Today*

Pr. Bridger

*Stand*

*Hymn for Today*

"Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word," #663

*Confessing our Faith (8:30 only)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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**

*Offering our Prayers*

*After each portion of the prayers*

Lord in your mercy. . .

. . . **hear our prayer.**



## *Sharing Christ's peace*

The peace of the Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

*Greet those around you with these or similar words*

*Sit*

***Gathering Gifts***

*“Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us,” Phillip Keveren*

*Stand*

***The Gifts are Presented***

*“Have No Fear, Little Flock,” #764*

*stanzas 3 & 4*

Praise the Lord high above; praise the Lord high above,  
For he stoops down to heal you, uplift and restore you;  
Praise the Lord high above!

Thankful hearts raise to God; thankful hearts raise to God,  
For he stays close beside you, in all things works with you;  
Thankful hearts raise to God!

Let us pray. Merciful Father

**You bring us from denial to faith, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to your service, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for the saving love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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## ***CHRIST, OUR FOOD AND DRINK***

***Preparing our hearts***

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

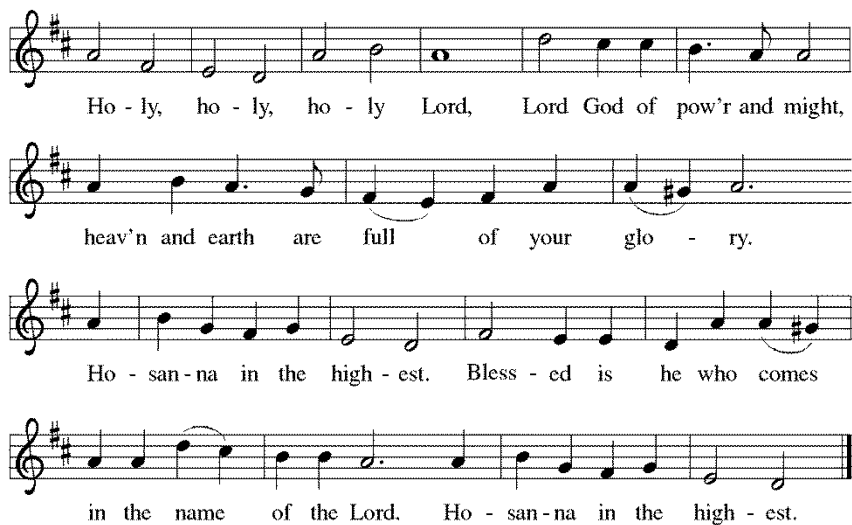
Lift up your hearts.

**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, our duty and our joy. . .we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

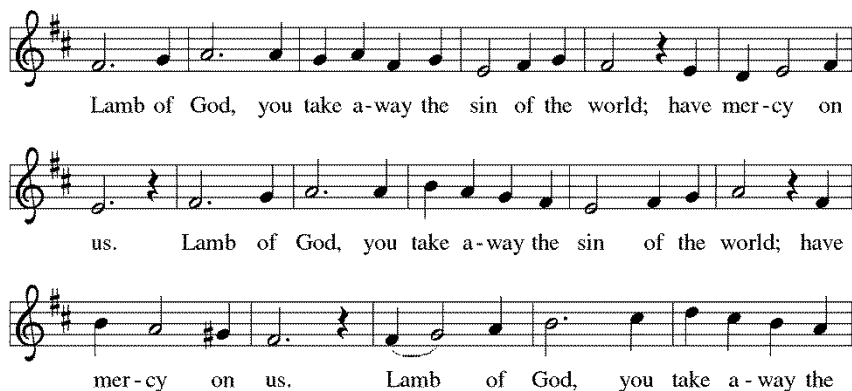
### *Prayer of Consecration*

Blessed are you, O Lord our God. . . . now and forever. **Amen.**

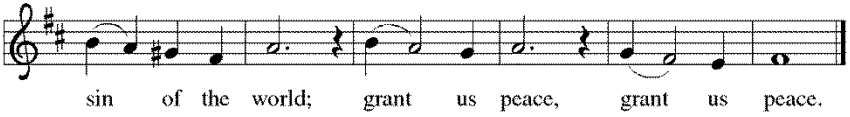
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

*Sit; To learn how we distribute communion, see the inside cover.*

### *Communion Songs*



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



“Here I Am Lord” #574  
“Eat This Bread” #472, repeat until music stops

*Stand*  
*Post Communion Prayer*

*ON OUR WAY*

*A Final Word and Promise*

Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*A Song*

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” #547

*A Mission*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Music as we leave* “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing,” Wilbur Held

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## *SERVING TODAY*

*Preaching & Presiding Minister* – Pastor Bridger

*Assisting Minister* – Kathy Neumann (8:30); Janice Snyder (10)

*Lector* – Christa Turnbull (8:30); James Quayle (10)

*Communion Assistants* – Linda Herhuth, Scott Straffen, Christa Turnbull,  
Lee Vysoky (8:30); Mike Allan, James Quayle, Peggy Schauer,  
Eileen Spicer(10)

*Acolytes* – Gavin Waugaman(8:30); Kaitlyn Carlin, Elearnor Schauer (10)

*Violinist* – Signe Mortensen

*Cantor* – Dale Mortensen (8:30); Summer Jenkins (10)

*Organist* – Connie Triplett

*Deacons* – Mark & Any Hunger

*Greeters* – Brenda Carpenter (8:30); Marilyn Sheerer (10)

*Ushers* – Adam Castro, Ken Novack (8:30);  
Julia Ellerbruch, Christian Frank, Dana Quayle, Craig Stinard (10)

*Altar Guild* – Laura Gaydos, Martha Trapp

*Nursery (10)* – Jodi Norris, Kaylie Norris

*Trustee* – Craig Stinard

## IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✝ Lucas Portik and all the newly baptized
- ✝ The ill: Danielle Biddle, Judy Gahl, Doug Mickan

## ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

In memory of Joyce Hennessey, by her daughter Kathy Tolowitzki and family

## THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATIONS

*July 6*—JAN HUS, d. 1415, a Bohemian priest and professor who was burned at the stake for preaching against indulgences and the practice of withholding the communion cup from the laity. He died 102 years before Luther posted his 95 theses against the same abuses. Hus's followers eventually became the Moravian Church.

*July 11*—BENEDICT, d. 540, founder of a monastery at Monte Cassino in Italy and author of the rule that has shaped Western monasticism ever since.

*July 12*—NATHAN SODERBLOM, d. 1931, Archbishop of Uppsala in Sweden, Nobel Peace Prize winner, and one of the great figures in the ecumenical movement of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

## GOD'S WORD FOR NEXT WEEK

### *5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

Deuteronomy 30:9-14, Psalm 25:1-10, Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37  
*We encourage you to read the lessons as part of your preparation for divine services.*





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*Servants and Missionaries* – All MLC members

*Senior Pastor* – Jerome Burce

*Associate Pastor* – Seth Bridger

*Youth Director* – Peggy Schauer

*Pastoral Assistant* – Ruth Mortensen

*Music Director* – Connie Triplett

*Messiah School Principal* – Helen Casselberry

*Administrator* – Darlene Waugh

*Pierstorf Memorial Fund Director* – Martin Uhle

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*Drawing in to Christ. Building up in Christ. Sending out for Christ.*

*To the glory of God, through the strength of the Spirit.*