

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2011



Gethsemane Lutheran Church

"Building a House Where All Are Welcome"

3600 Hampton - St. Louis, MO 63109

Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a **ONE** congregation,
committed to the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger.

To learn more about **ONE** see www.one.org

Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation.

Our Welcome Statement is on the back of this worship folder.

Sunday Worship – 8:30 & 11:00 am
Church Office – (314) 352-8050; Fax – (314) 352-8051
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Welcome to worship. “God’s Not-So Modern Family” is our theme through the beginning of August. We hear stories of the mothers and fathers of faith from the Book of Genesis, and realize that their story is our story!

We ask all members, guests, and visitors to please fill out the blue card in your worship folder and place it in the offering plate.

**Childcare is available for children up to age 4 in the Nursery on the Lower Level.*

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Prayer List – call the church office at 314-352-8050

Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting Ten
[Red] = *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Red Worship Book)*

GATHERING

PRELUDE: *All Who Love and Serve Your City*

E. Routley/P. Webber

WELCOME & COMMUNITY LIFE

Stand

GATHERING SONG: “As We Gather At Your Table”

No. 522 [Red]

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God from which nothing can separate us, and the life-giving Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. 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.

C **Amen**

Sit

WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 22:1-14

Abraham was prepared to obey God's command in the midst of extreme contradiction: the child to be sacrificed is the very child through whom Abraham is to receive descendants. God acknowledged Abraham's obedient faith, and Abraham offered a ram in the place of his son Isaac.

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you."³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him.⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away.⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you."⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"⁸Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son.¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.¹⁴So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

L Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 13

¹How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

²**How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day?**

How long shall my enemy triumph over me?

³Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my God;
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

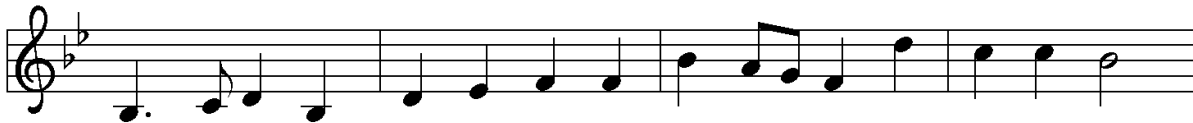
⁴**lest my enemy say, "I have defeated you,"
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**

⁵But I trust in your unfailing love;
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

⁶**I will sing to the LORD,
who has dealt with me richly.**

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 10th chapter:

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

⁴⁰Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever 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 righteous person will

receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and 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."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

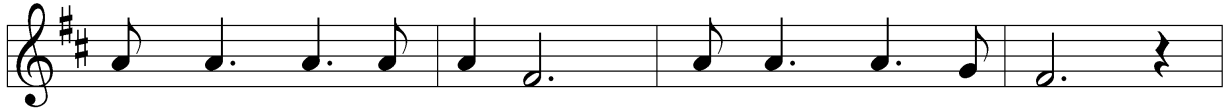
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

SERMON

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: "What Have We to Offer"



1 What have we to of - fer? What have we to share?
 2 What have we to of - fer? What have we to bring?
 3 What have we to of - fer? What have we to give?



Coins from the cof - fer, hearts filled with care.
 Love, ripe with laugh - ter; hope that we can sing;
 Eyes that are wide o - pen; lies that we won't live;



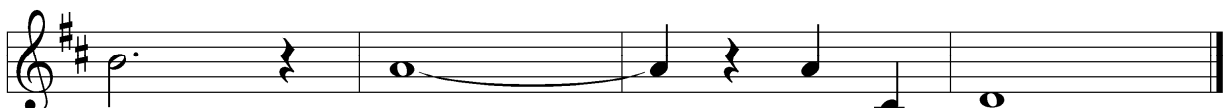
God will not fal - ter; so let us dare
 dreams of what we're af - ter; prom - is - es of when.
 truth that must be spo - ken; jus - tice some - how.



lay it at the al - tar there.
 Lay it at the al - tar then.
 Lay it at the al - tar now.



4 What have we to of - fer? What have we to



give? Lives we will live.

Text: Ray Makeever

Music: LET US ENTER IN: OFFERTORY, Ray Makeever

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

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**

THE PRAYERS

ASSISTING MINISTER Led by the Holy Spirit, and with the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Let us pray for the church, that, having been freed from the bonds of sin and made holy in the waters of baptism, it may offer the gospel freely to all people. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Let us pray for the world, that the earth and its creatures may be tended with care and bear fruit for all to share. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Let us pray for the leaders of all nations, that they may be instruments of righteousness and peace in the face of injustice and conflict. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Let us pray for all who are held captive: to human trafficking, sweatshops, prostitution, drugs and alcohol, or any illness. We pray for Rich, the Burgard family, Damien, Virgie, Walter, Lillie, Elizabeth, Joann, Lois, Carleen, Kim, Dell, John, Wilma, Fred, and all those we name before you now in the silence of our hearts or spoken from our lips....that they may know true freedom in Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Let us pray for this congregation, that all who enter our doors may experience welcome in the name of Jesus. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Let us give thanks for all the faithful who have been brought from death to eternal life by the grace of Christ. Keep us in hope until the day we join them in glory. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE PEACE

MEAL

THE OFFERING: *The Offering is received as the Lord's table is prepared.*

MUSICAL OFFERING: Summer Choir *Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus* arr. Paul Manz

Stand

OFFERTORY RESPONSE:

“We Are an Offering”

No. 692[Red]

OFFERTORY PRAYER

AM Let us pray. God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing.

C **Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

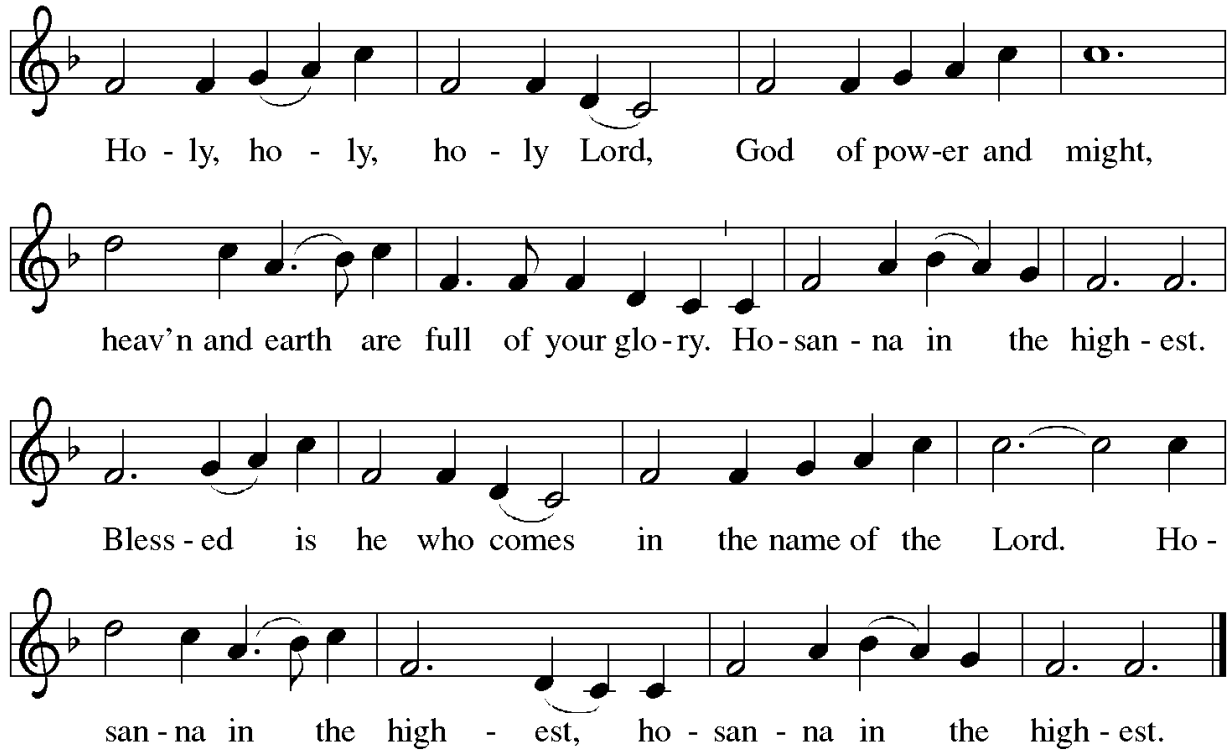
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

C **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 temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

Sit

INVITATION: Come to the table prepared before you. Taste of God's goodness and mercy.

COMMUNION

(The Communion Table is Christ's table. All baptized Christians who believe Jesus Christ is really present for the forgiveness of sins are welcome! Those not receiving the bread and wine are welcome to come for a blessing. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers to receive wine from either the Common Cup or individual glasses. Grape juice is also available in individual glasses.)

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION:

“O Lamb of God”



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

No. 686 [Red]

"Around You, O Lord Jesus"

No. 468 [Red]

Stand

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

AM Let us pray. Generous God, we give you thanks that again this day you have opened wide your hand and satisfied us with the food of life, the body and blood of Christ. Sharing your compassionate heart, may we be blessed and given to all who hunger and thirst; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen**

SENDING

BLESSING

P God all mighty, God most merciful bless us, keep us, and + grant us peace.

C **Amen**

SENDING HYMN:

“The Church of Christ, In Every Age”

No. 729[Red]

DISMISSAL:

AM Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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**We invite all members, guests and visitors to join us
for coffee and doughnuts between services
in the Walter Eckman Fellowship Hall downstairs!**

This morning in between services: All ages Bible Trivia!! Come and join this intergenerational fun during the Fellowship Hour! Social Action Committee will also meet.

Next Sunday, July 3rd: 10 at 10:10 – Patriotic Songs! Join us for 10 minutes of music at 10:10 as we lift up some freedom songs for Independence Day weekend!

Ice Cream Social Coordinator Needed! Traditionally, the final night of the week of Vacation Bible School is marked by a community-wide Ice Cream Social. The date for this year is Friday, July 29th. **We are in need of a coordinator for this effort.** We have willing workers, but need someone to be the lead organizer. Please talk with Pr. Kendra or Debbie Schaller before June 30th so that we do not need to cancel this important event in the life of our community and congregation.

Faith By Foot — A Weekly Walk and Talk Bible Study Each Monday evening at 7pm, we'll gather at church to receive a one page sheet with the evening's Bible verses.

New Member Orientation, This Afternoon, Sunday, June 26, 3:30-7:00pm

This orientation is for all who are considering joining the Gethsemane faith community and will offer an opportunity to learn more about Gethsemane and its ministries, to get to know other folks, to explore our spiritual gifts, and to share our faith! Please contact Pastor Kendra if you have any questions!

St Joan of Arc Annual Flea Market will be Saturday July 9th, 8am-4pm and Sunday July 10th, 9am-1pm. A special preview will be Friday the 8th, 6pm-9pm for a \$3 entry fee.

The Summer Mother's Day Out Program at Timothy Lutheran Church, 6704 Fyler Ave., is underway! Mother's Day Out provides childcare for children ages 2-5 in a caring, Christian environment. Parents have a chance to catch up on things while their child stays to play and socialize. Program hours are from 9am - 1pm. For more information and to check for availability, please call Kathy Carr, Director, at 314-832-7253 or e-mail: kathymdo@sbcglobal.net.

If you're planning to miss services this summer due to travel or other family commitments, please consider committing to a recurring giving schedule through electronic giving. Your consistent support is very much appreciated, specially during the summer months. Contact the church office for more information.

HUGS Reminder: Remember that Gethsemane offers the opportunity to phone in and listen to the 11am Sunday morning worship service for those who are homebound. Call the church office to get the phone number and access code. It is a very simple and free procedure for you.

Schnuck's E-Scrip Cards: Use a Schnuck's E-Scrip Card and support Gethsemane! Cards are available from the church office, or from Randy Moe between services (in the Fellowship Hall).

June 19, 2011: **Attendance** 95 (8:30 service), 51 (11:00 service), 146 total
Giving \$1,082 (\$4,030/week needed)

**June 26- July 3, 2011
 Gethsemane Lutheran Church
 Calendar**

6/26 Sunday	8:30am & 11:00am Between Services 10:15am 3:30-7:00pm	Worship Services Social Action Committee Bible Trivia (All Ages) Summer Choir Rehearsal New Member Orientation
6/27` Monday	7:00pm	Faith By Foot Bible Study
6/28 Tuesday	7:00pm	South Cluster Stewardship Meeting
6/29 Wednesday	10:00am 6:00-8:00pm	Wednesday Women Study, Family VBS: Hometown Nazareth
7/3 Sunday	8:30am & 11:00am 10:15am	Worship Services Summer Choir Rehearsal

Gethsemane is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation Affirmation of Welcome

Christ's welcome knows no boundaries! Therefore, our welcome knows no boundaries and we invite all people to full participation in the life of the congregation.

We at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Saint Louis embrace...

People of any race or ethnicity...

People who are male, female, transgender, or any other gender identity...

People of any age...

People wherever they are, or wherever they have been, on their faith journeys...

People who are single, married, widowed, divorced, separated or partnered...

People who are straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, or any other sexual orientation...

People with a variety of political perspectives...

People who have, or had, addictions, phobias, abortions, or a criminal record...

People who are homeowners, renters, living with parents, or homeless...

People who are fully-abled, disabled, or of differing abilities...

People of differing educational backgrounds...

People of any socio-economic condition...

People not mentioned above, all of whom are created and loved by God!

As we celebrate and seek to preserve the beautiful, amazing diversity of God's creation, we pledge to ourselves and to all others that we will strive to live as a reconciling people in our life together and in our outreach to the world. We are committed to being a radically loving and welcoming community of faith.