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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 19, 2022

PRESERVICE MUSIC AND PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH GOD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LSB 790

DIVINE SERVICE (Setting Four) (p. 203 in the front of the hymnal)

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 34:1-3, 8*

P: I will praise the LORD at all times.

C: I will constantly speak his praises.

P: I will boast only in the LORD;

C: Let all who are helpless take heart.

P: Come, let us tell of the LORD's greatness;

C: Let us exalt his name together.

P: Taste and see that the LORD is good.

C: Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!

GENERAL CONFESSION

P: We learn from the book of Judges, that back in the days when there was no king in Israel, everyone did what was right in their own eyes.

C: The people of Israel did what was evil in God's sight.

P: And the Lord gave them into the hands of their enemies.

C: Sin does this; it robs us of the joy of our salvation and of the courage and energy to do the good things we want to do. Sin destroys and separates us from God.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination

P: Heavenly Father, although we have often treated prayer as a last resort, instead of our first resource, in Your mercy, we ask that You hear our cry for help.

C: We confess to You that we have sinned and done what is evil in Your sight.

P: We have sought to do what is right in our own eyes, and not Your own.

C: For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us, and forgive us our sins. And help us, most merciful God, to believe Your promises, to seek Your will, and act in the courage You alone give.

THE ABSOLUTION

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, in the same way the Lord fought for Gideon, so He also fights for you against seemingly insurmountable odds. He overcame your greatest enemy in the most improbable way: the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. God loves you and sets you free from sin through Jesus, whose blood paid the price to set you and me free from sin and eternal judgment. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, Lord of hosts, encourage us with the assurance that You are with us always.

C: And that with You at our side, we never need to fear.

PSALM 71:20-24

P: Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

C: You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.

P: You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.

C: I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

P: My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have redeemed.

C: And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long, for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.

C: Glory be the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

KYRIE

(p. 204 in the front of the hymnal)

C: ♪ Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

HYMN OF PRAISE "Gloria in Excelsis" (p. 204)

COLLECT (PRAYER) OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Judges 6:1-16

ALLELUIA VERSE (p. 205 in the front of the hymnal)

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

C: GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

(after the reading . . .)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.

CONFESSION OF FAITH "Nicene Creed" (p. 206)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY "O God, Forsake Me Not" LSB 731

SERMON "The Call of Gideon" Based on Judges 6:1-16

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: O King of kings and Lord of lords, You call out to every nation of the earth seeking repentance and justice, even as they rebel against Your will. Work repentance in all civil leaders. Use them to defend the weak and to punish the guilty, that the Church may have free course to preach the Gospel. Lord, in Your mercy,

(following each petition the congregation responds)

C: HEAR OUR PRAYER.

(Our petitions this day.)

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: AMEN.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessing" LSB 782 (stanza 1)

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface (p. 208 in the front of the hymnal)

Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" (p. 209)

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God"

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Lamb of God" LSB 550

"Voices Raised to You We Offer" LSB 795

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past" LSB 733

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LSB 806

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis – "Song of Simeon" (p. 211)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

C: AMEN

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN "Onward, Christian Soldiers" LSB 662

POSTLUDE

OFFICIANT: Rev. Jonathan Vierkant

ORGANIST: Rinda Bye

LAY READER: Mason Falk

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW

Monday, June 20	-	7:00 p.m. Men's Group
Wednesday, June 22	-	9:30 a.m. Moms'/Ladies Bible Study
Friday, June 24	-	12:00 p.m. Food & Fellowship
Sunday, June 26	-	7:45 a.m. Bible Study
	-	9:00 a.m. Worship
	-	10:30 a.m. Mauthe Lake Outing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: June 19 – June 25

BIRTHDAYS: Megan Johnson, Benjamin Kelln, Jameson Schellinger,
Lucille Woods

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: Jeff Schmidt, Bob Buehler, Alex Betz,
Brady Falk, Norm Bandler

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: Ron & Evelyn Nuoffer,
Josie & Mike Pfeiffer, Thai & Margie Hua

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR: Robert Oelke (son of Lee and Sharon Oelke), Ruby Gutschmidt (grandmother of Joseph Gutschmidt), Nancy Scardino (niece of Kathy Jeske)

SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Garrett Buth, William Bowman (brother of Katie Vierkant), David Taft (grandson of Al & Nancy Taft), Jared Barnard (nephew of Paul and Cindy Heinz, cousin of Aaron)

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you chose to worship with us. Sign our Guest Book in the Narthex or one of the cards in the pews and please talk to Pastor, an Usher or Elder if you have any questions.

DIFFERENT CHURCHES HAVE DIFFERENT UNDERSTANDINGS regarding Holy Communion. For this reason, because of what 1 Corinthians 11:27-30 tells us, we ask that visitors talk to Pastor if they wish to commune with us. **ALSO**, see the back of the communion cards for a statement by Synod.

WE HAVE A PRAYER CHAIN AT ST. ANDREW. Please contact Josie Pfeiffer at 262-626-4303 or pfeiffer4303@charter.net

ELDER SERVING TODAY: Thai Hua & Randy Sheffield
NEXT SUNDAY: Bob Buehler & Thai Hua

CLEANED THIS WEEK ENDING 6/18/2022 Pastor & Katie Vierkant, Myron Kraft
COMING WEEK: Melissa Knox, Sandy Lompa, Carla Peterson

ALTAR GUILD FOR June: Judi Bastian, Star Dzwonkowski, Cindy Heinz, Evelyn Nuoffer

Please contact Pastor Jon (262)808-7974 if you or a loved one is in the hospital, celebrating a milestone, or would just like a visit.

Collections for Missions: Our collection for June will be for Seed of Hope Pregnancy Center in West Bend. We will collect diapers of any size (they especially need sizes 4,5, and 6), wipes and NEW baby clothing in sizes NB-12 months (they do not accept used clothing)

Directory Updates: Updated directories will be printed next month and we want to be sure that we have your current information. Have you moved? Did you get rid of your landline and only use cell phones now? Would you like to receive emails from St. Andrew? Please leave a note with any changes in the offering basket or on the office desk.

PRAYER TIME We are planning to meet each week this summer following the worship service for a brief time of prayer to pray for our church, our congregation members, our community, our world, and each other. We will meet in the Sunday school classroom area around 10:20--please come when you are able!

Moms'/Ladies Bible study is continuing this summer on Wednesdays as a book discussion group! We will be discussing the book *Mama Bear Apologetics*, which teaches Biblical discernment and critical thinking in the face of changing cultural attitudes, and also discusses how to teach those skills to our children. A schedule of future meeting dates will be posted on the bulletin board. Children are welcome to come! Please see Katie Vierkant if you have any questions.

VBS Come join us on the River of Life! Vacation Bible School will be held Tuesday, August 2-Thursday, August 4 from 5:45-7:45 p.m. An optional dinner will be served at 5. Attendees can register on the church website--friends are welcome! We will also need volunteers to help lead groups and run stations--please sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall! Please see Katie Vierkant if you have any questions.

BRAT FRY Our annual Brat Fry for Education Assistance is happening July 9-10 at West Bend Sausage Plus. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for volunteering time slots and donations of food items. This is our biggest event because we have so many generous members! We hope to see you that weekend for food and time of fellowship.

Mauthe Lake: Our outing coming up on June 26th. After service, join us at Mauthe Lake, which is part of the Kettle Moraine North State Forest. You will need a state park sticker or bring cash and pay for a day pass. We will have a picnic area reserved with grills available. Bring food for our potluck of snacks or pack your own lunch, but come have fellowship with us. It is a great low-key way to get to know each other.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Judges 6:1-16

The people of Israel did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord gave them into the hand of Midian seven years. And the hand of Midian overpowered Israel, and because of Midian the people of Israel made for themselves the dens that are in the mountains and the caves and the strongholds. For whenever the Israelites planted crops, the Midianites and the Amalekites and the people of the East would come up against them. They would encamp against them and devour the produce of the land, as far as Gaza, and leave no sustenance in Israel and no sheep or ox or donkey. For they would come up with their livestock and their tents; they would come like locusts in number—both they and their camels could not be counted—so that they laid waste the land as they came in. And Israel was brought very low because of Midian. And the people of Israel cried out for help to the Lord.

When the people of Israel cried out to the Lord on account of the Midianites, the Lord sent a prophet to the people of Israel. And he said to them, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I led you up from Egypt and brought you out of the house of slavery. And I delivered you from the hand of the Egyptians and from the hand of all who oppressed you, and drove them out before you and gave you their land. And I said to you, ‘I am the Lord your God; you shall not fear the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell.’ But you have not obeyed my voice.”

Now the angel of the Lord came and sat under the terebinth at Ophrah, which belonged to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the winepress to hide it from the Midianites. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him and said to him, “The Lord is with you, O mighty man of valor.” And Gideon said to him, “Please, my lord, if the Lord is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us, saying, ‘Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt?’ But now the Lord has forsaken us and given us into the hand of Midian.” And the Lord turned to him and said, “Go in this might of yours and save Israel from the hand of Midian; do not I send you?” And he said to him, “Please, Lord, how can I save Israel? Behold, my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father’s house.” And the Lord said to him, “But I will be with you, and you shall strike the Midianites as one man.”

GOSPEL READING Luke 8:26-39

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.