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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May God's Holy Spirit comfort us with the message of Christ's love and encourage us to share that love with others.

Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or a pastor.

- Family restrooms are available in the multi-purpose room off the narthex or on the right side of the large hallway leading to the school wing.
- A parent's room with audio feed and a window into the sanctuary is available.
- Listening devices and six large print hymnals are available, please ask an usher.
- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
- Please silence your cell phone and all other electrical devices to help minimize distractions during Divine Worship. Thank you.
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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.



Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 21, 2020

A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Lord, speak to us that we may speak in living echoes of your tone. As you have sought, so let us seek your straying children lost and lone. Oh, teach us Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart, and wing our words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart. Amen. (See also the prayers on pages 10-11 of *Christian Worship*.)

SERVICE THEME The Lord graciously calls sinners to faith in Jesus Christ and gives them the high honor and privilege of serving him in his kingdom.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service of the Word

OPENING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness | **CW 353**

Praise the one who breaks the darkness With a liberating light;
Praise the one who frees the pris'ners, Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel, Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands With the Father's word of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the one who drove out demons With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water To the desert's burning sand;
From this well comes living water, Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

Let us praise the Word incarnate, Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose victorious That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer, Praise the one who makes us one.

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

♪ **Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your Word,
O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your
faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the
Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 3:1-15

In spite of Moses' past sins, the LORD restored him to himself and called him to lead Israel out of their bondage in Egypt.

Now Moses was shepherding the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, a priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²The Angel of the LORD appeared to him in blazing fire from within a bush. Moses saw that the bush was on fire, but the bush was not burning up. ³So he said, "I will go over and look at this amazing sight—to find out why the bush is not burning up."

⁴When the LORD saw that Moses had gone over to take a look, God called to him from the middle of the bush and said, "Moses! Moses!"

Moses said, "I am here."

⁵The LORD said, "Do not come any closer. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." ⁶He then said, "I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob."

Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷The LORD said, "I have certainly seen the misery of my people in Egypt, and I have heard their cry for help because of their slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. ⁸So I have come down to deliver them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹Now indeed, the Israelites' cry for help has come to me. Yes, I have seen how the Egyptians are oppressing them. ¹⁰Come now, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

¹²So he said, "I will certainly be with you. This will be the sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will serve God on this mountain."

¹³But Moses said to God, "If I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what should I say to them?"

¹⁴So God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He also said, "You will say this to the Israelites: I AM has sent me to you."

¹⁵God also told Moses, "Say this to the Israelites: 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this is how I am to be remembered from generation to generation.'

VERSE OF THE DAY

♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 1:12-17

In spite of Paul's past sins, the LORD restored him to himself and called him to be his apostle.

¹²I give thanks to the one who empowered me, namely, Christ Jesus our Lord, that he treated me as trustworthy, appointing me into his ministry. ¹³He did this even though formerly I was a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a violent man. But I was shown mercy, because I acted ignorantly in unbelief. ¹⁴The grace of our Lord overflowed on me along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵This saying is trustworthy and worthy of full acceptance: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶But I was shown mercy for this reason: that in me, the worst sinner, Christ Jesus might demonstrate his unlimited patience as an example for those who are going to believe in him, resulting in eternal life. ¹⁷Now to the King eternal, to the immortal, invisible, only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Not unto Us | **CW 392**

Not unto us, not unto us be glory, Lord;
Not unto us but to your name be praise;
Not unto us but to your name all honor be giv'n
For matchless mercy, forgiveness, and grace.

Amazing grace – that chose us e'er the worlds were made;
Amazing grace – that sent your Son to save;
Amazing grace – that robed us in your righteousness
And taught our lips to sing glory and praise.

O faithful love – that shepherded through faithless years;
Forgiving love – that led us to your truth;
Unyielding love – that would not let us turn from you
But sent us forth to speak pardon and peace.

Not unto us but to your name be glory, Lord,
For grace so rich, so wide, so high, so free.
Abide with us till trav'ling days are over and done,
And pilgrim feet lead us home, Lord, to you.

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13

In spite of Matthew's past sins, the LORD restored him to himself and called him to be his apostle.

⁹As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting in the tax collector's booth. He said to him, "Follow me." Matthew got up and followed him.

¹⁰As Jesus was reclining at the table in Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners were actually there too, eating with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

¹²When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "The healthy do not need a physician, but the sick do. ¹³Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' In fact, I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: ♪ Praise be to you, O Christ!

"God and His Mercy"

Pastor Guse

1. Mercy is God's gift to the sorrowful
2. Mercy is God's blessing upon the joyful

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,

and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTING OF OUR OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

HYMN

Chief of Sinners Though I Be | CW 385

Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed his blood for me,
Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die.
As the branch is to the vine, I am his and he is mine!

Oh, the height of Jesus' love, Higher than the heav'ns above,
Deeper than the depths of sea, Lasting as eternity,
Love that found me – wondrous thought! – Found me when I sought him not.

Only Jesus can impart Comfort to a wounded heart:
Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n, Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
Faith and hope to walk with God In the way that Enoch trod.

Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me.
All my wants to him are known; All my sorrows are his own.
Safe with him in earthly strife, I await the heav'nly life.

Strengthen me, O gracious Lord, By your Spirit and your word.
When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: ♪ **Amen.**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

C: ♪ **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing | **CW 329**

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, your love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us, oh, refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration For the gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of your salvation In our hearts and lives abound!
Ever faithful, ever faithful To your truth may we be found.

So whene'er the signal's given Us from earth to call away,
Borne on angels' wings to heaven, Glad the summons to obey,
May we ever, may we ever Reign with Christ in endless day.

ORGANIST
David Koepsell

Weekly Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION Anyone who desires the Lord's Supper may call one of the pastors for private Communion. Please don't hesitate to call.

Pastor Michael J. Zuberbier 920-517-8808 *call/text*

Pastor Matthew M. Guse 920-517-9000 *call/text*

SERMONS & WORSHIP SERVICES Videos of worship services can be found posted on our website: www.stpetersfdl.net and tune into KFIZ 1450 AM at 8:00 each Sunday morning for our radio service, "*Building on the Rock.*"

MEMORIALS Friends and family of John Stommel have given \$25 to the Radio Ministry and \$25 to the General Fund. A gift has been given in memory of Marian Jeffers by John and Karen Willis.

MINISTERIAL TUITION ASSISTANCE ENVELOPES are enclosed with your bulletin this week. MLC will be matching these gifts to our students for the 2020-21 school year. Please consider a generous gift for our teachers and pastors in training!

CUSTODIAN POSITION St. Peter's is looking to hire a part time custodian. This job consists of routine work to maintain the cleanliness of building and grounds and receives general direction from the Board of Church Properties. This employee performs cleaning and maintenance functions in the morning or evening shift. Work is evaluated through observation while work is in progress and by inspection of completed assignments. Full job descriptions are located in the office. For more information or to apply contact Kurt Turdo at turdojrk@gmail.com or (920) 216-2136.

TREE REMOVAL There is a tree that needs to be removed from our Windsor Ave. parsonage. We have the equipment to do it but need volunteers. Please contact Gregg Leisten at 579-4320 or gregg.leisten@att.net to help out.

Daily Bible Readings

06/21 1 Peter 3:1-12

06/25 Ruth 1, 2

06/22 1 Peter 3:13-4:6

06/26 Ruth 3, 4

06/23 1 Peter 4:7-19

06/27 1 Samuel 1

06/24 1 Peter 5

Last Week's Stewardship

Worship: 167 + 121 + 116 = 404

First Fruits to the Lord 2020:

	<u><i>Last Week</i></u>	<u><i>Year-to-Date</i></u>
Thank offerings in support of the unified budget	\$50,991.84	
Other receipts in support of the unified budget	2,375.00	
Total receipts in support of the unified budget	53,366.84	\$684,966.77
Requirement to support proposed unified budget	31,127.02	747,048.48
Overage (Shortfall)	22,239.82	(62,081.71)
Improvement Fund	540.00	
WLA Forward in Trust	354.00	
Honoring the Lord!	460.00	
LWMS	30.00	
Radio Ministry	25.00	
SPLS Tuition Assistance	24.00	