

Traditional Worship



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Sermon Series 2:
FAST & FURIOUS

Serving in worship today: Preacher: Pastor Jacob Heine
Organist: Kay Logan
Spiritual Life Leader: Deb Hale

Leader & CM: Pastor Martin Albrecht
Lay Reader: Shari Albrecht
Head Usher: Chris Meyer

Next week's lessons: Psalm 50:1-15; Isaiah 66:18-23; Hebrews 12:4-24; Luke 13:22-30



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am | August 21, 2022

PRELUDE: *Prelude on 'What a Friend'*

Gordon Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS . SHARING OF THE PEACE

INVOCATION . CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We kneel for a time of silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

Leader: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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. **Amen.**

All People that on Earth Do Dwell

>LSB 791

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with mirth, His praise forthtell; Come ye before Him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make.
We are His folk, He doth us feed, And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise; Approach with joy His courts unto.
Praise, laud, and bless His name always, For it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good: His mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood And shall from age to age endure.

△ To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, The God whom heav'n and earth adore,
From us and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

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In peace let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

*For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.*

*For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.*

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Let us pray... O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: *Isaiah 66:18-23 (ESV)*

"For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the Lord, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the Lord, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the Lord. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the Lord. ²²"For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make

shall remain before me, says the Lord, so shall your offspring and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the Lord."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALMODY: Psalm 50:1-15 (ESV)

The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest.

He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people:

"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!"

The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge!

"Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me.

I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds.

For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.

"If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine.

Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 12:4-24 (ESV)

In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives." ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA & VERSE

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**

THE GOSPEL: *Luke 13:22-30 (ESV)*

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the thirteenth chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, ²⁴"Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.' ²⁶Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.' ²⁷But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' ²⁸In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was Incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Christ Is Surely Coming

>LSB 509

Christ is surely coming Bringing His reward,
Alpha and Omega, First and Last and Lord:
Root and Stem of David, Brilliant Morning Star;
Meet your Judge and Savior, Nations near and far!

See the holy city! There they enter in,
All by Christ made holy, Washed from ev'ry sin:
Thirsty ones, desiring All He loves to give,
Come for living water, Freely drink, and live!

Grace be with God's people! Praise His holy name!
Father, Son and Spirit, Evermore the same;
Hear the certain promise From the_ eternal home:
"Surely I come quickly! Come, Lord Jesus, come!"

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SERMON: Faith in Action 2: Fast & Furious

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

- **Recording attendance:** Please take a moment to fill out the red Book of Fellowship with your name and if you are taking communion today. If you are a visitor, please add any contact information you are willing to share. This booklet is found on the pew near the center aisle and can be passed down to others in the pew.
- **Offering:** Donations may be placed in the plate as it is passed to you; online giving options are also available at FaithLutheranTopeka.com, tap 'donate now' or scan code. This an opportunity to invest tangibly in what God is doing here.



PREFACE & PROPER PREFACE

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*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 Him thanks and praise.***

It is truly good, right, and salutary Evermore praising You and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
 Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
 Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

PAX DOMINI & AGNUS DEI

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The peace of the Lord be with you always. Amen.

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Prior to communing, we should all examine our hearts as directed in 1 Cor. 11:28, "Let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup." Do you acknowledge your kinship with your brothers and sisters in Christ at this communion rail and do you set aside any refusal to forgive? Do you desire to live a God pleasing life? Are you aware of your sin and your need of God's forgiveness? If so, and you believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine through his body and blood, you are welcome to commune in this fellowship of believers in Christ. If sensitive to wine, clear grape juice is available in the center of the tray. Welcome to this foretaste of the feast to come.

Glorious Things of You Are Spoken

>LSB 648

Glorious things of you are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
 He whose word cannot be broken Formed you for His own abode.
 On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake your sure repose?
 With salvation's walls surrounded, You may smile at all your foes.

See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal love,
 Well supply your sons and daughters And all fear of want remove.
 Who can faint while such a river Ever will their thirst assuage?
 Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, Never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear
 For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near.
 Thus deriving from their banner Light by night and shade by day,
 Safe they feed upon the manna Which God gives them on their way.

Savior, since of Zion's city I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Your name.
Fading are the world's vain pleasures, All their boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

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POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

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**Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Blessed are You, heavenly Father, for You have once again fed and nourished us at Your Table through the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Strengthen us, so that we continue to be Your holy people who share Your love with all people as we await Your eternal kingdom, where You live and reign with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

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*The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.***

You Are the Way; through You Alone

>LSB 526

You are the way; through You alone Can we the Father find;
In You, O Christ, has God revealed His heart and will and mind.

You are the truth; Your Word alone True wisdom can impart;
You only can inform the mind And purify the heart.

You are the life; the empty tomb Proclaims Your conqu'ring arm,
And those who put their trust in You Not death nor hell shall harm.

You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win Whose joys eternal flow.

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DISMISSAL Grow in Faith. Share Christ's love. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: *Toccata in G*

Dennis Eliot