

Sunday, July 18, 2010
11:00 AM Worship Service



**Mary ... sat at the Lord's feet and
listened to what he was saying.**

Luke 10:39

July 18, 2010— The 8th Sunday in Pentecost — 11 AM Worship

**Those who are able please stand. LBW-green book, WOV-blue book*

Prelude: *In Quietness and Confidence* —JS Bach

*Confession & Forgiveness

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

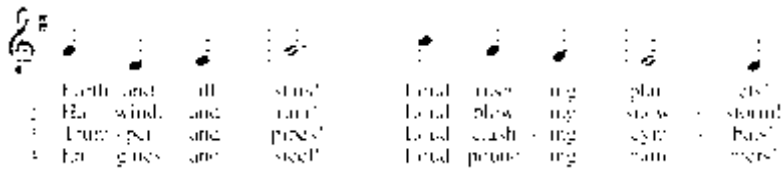
P: *Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen*

P: *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

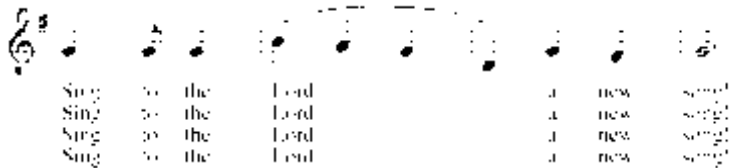
P: *Most merciful God,* C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the 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. *Silence & absolution*

*Hymn: *Earth and All Stars!*

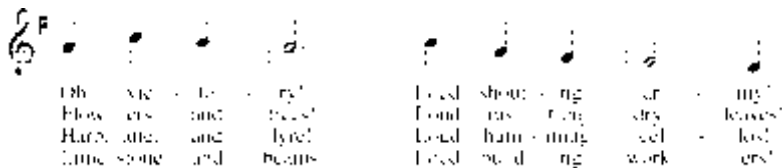
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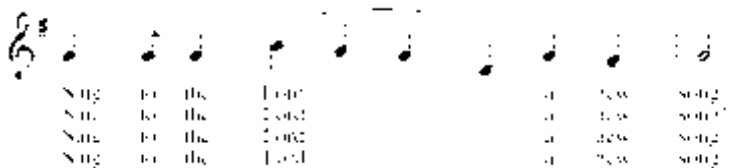
Earth and all stars! Loud rising plain-ly!
 Ha-wind and rain! Loud blow-ing snow-storm!
 Turn-pest and press! Loud dash-ing cyr-nus!
 Fa-gues and steel! Loud prun-ing man-ners!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!



Ob-sec-ute-ry! Loud shout-ing ar-my!
 Flow-ers and trees! Loud ras-tling dry-leaves!
 Harp-ans and lyre! Loud ham-ming wheel-lost!
 Time some and beams! Loud build-ing work-ers!



Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!

He has done many wonderful things

For you will praise him with a new song!

3. Classrooms and labs!
 Loud boisterous tunes!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Athletes and band!
 Loud cheering people!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!

4. Knowledge and truth!
 Loud sounding wisdom!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!
 Daughters and sons!
 Loud praying mothers!
 Sing to the Lord a new song!

Lyrics by the Synod of the
 Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

*Greeting: P) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C) And also with you.

*Hymn of Praise

Gloria to God in the high

east, and peace to God's people on earth

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and

Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glory, Lord Jesus

Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the

world, have mercy on us, you are seated at the
 right hand of the Father, receive our prayer
 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone
 are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
 God the Father Almighty
 Glory to God in the highest
 and peace to God's people on earth

*Prayer of the Day: Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

First Lesson: Genesis 18:1–10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on — since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf,

tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

P) The word of the Lord. C) Thanks be to God.

Psalm: (read responsively) Psalm 15

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill?
Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right, who speak the truth
from their heart;

They do not slander with the tongue, they do no evil to their friends; they do not
cast discredit upon a neighbor.

In their sight the wicked are rejected, but they honor those who fear the
LORD. They have sworn upon their health and do not take back their word.
They do not give their money in hope of gain, nor do they take bribes against the
innocent. Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:15–28

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers — all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him — provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my **sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's** afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according **to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully** known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

P) The word of the Lord. C) Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia
 Lord to whom shall we go? You have the word of eternal life.

*Holy Gospel: Luke 10:38–42

C) Glory to you, O Lord.

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

P) The gospel of the Lord. C) Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon: “A Tale of Two Suppers”

Pastor Jones

*Sermon Hymn: *I Love to Tell the Story* -Hankey, Katherine, Hankey, W

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I love to tell the story of our Saviour's life,
 I love to tell the story of how He died;
 I love to tell the story of these who know it best
 of Je - sus and his glory, of Je - sus and his love,
 what seems each time I tell it, more won - der - ful, by - sweet
 seem him - get - ting and thras - ting, to hear it like the
 I love to tell the story be - cause I know it's true,
 I love to tell the story be - cause I have my own hand
 And when in scores of places I sing the new - dew song,
 it sat - is - fies my long - ings as with - out else world do,
 the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own Fa - ly word
 I'll sing the old, old story that I have loved so long.

***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.

*Prayer of the Church

*Passing of the Peace

Offering / Offertory: *Loving Spirit* —Southern Harmony

*Offertory Response

Offering Prayer

*Great Thanksgiving

*Preface

*Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 power and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est

*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.

Holy Communion: *Lamb of God*

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 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Day by Day (WOV #746)

*Post-Communion Blessing

*Song After Communion

Now, Lord, you let your ser-vants sit in peace, your word has been ful-filled. My an-nyes have seen the sal-vation which you have pre-pared in the sig-nal of your peo-ple: a light to re-veal you to the na-tions and the glo-ry of your peo-ple is in-chi-ned. Now, Lord, you let your ser-vants go to peace.

*Prayer / *Benediction

*Hymn: *Immortal, Invisible* -Walter Chalmers Smith; St. Denio; Welsh folk tune LBW #526

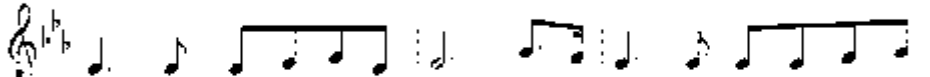
I Im-mor-tal, in-vis-ible, God on-ly wise,
 I re-est-ing, un-hast-ily, and sit-ting as high,
 I live all life thou-gh-est, in both great and small,
 I Thou-gh-est in glo-ry: then dwell yet in light,
 in ac-cessi-ble hid-den from our eyes,
 nor want-ing, nor wast-ing, thou-gh-est in might,
 in all life thou-gh-est, the true life of all:
 thine an-gels in-dare there, all veil-ing their sight:
 most bless-ed, most glo-ri-ous, the An-cient of Days,
 thy wis-dom like mount-ains high, sur-moun-ting a-hor-ri-ble,
 we bless thee and E-ter-nal-ly like leaves on the tree,
 see all might, y-ve-ri-ous, thy great name we praise,
 and with-er and per-ish, but thou art of naught-ness and low-ly,
 on-ly the splen-dor of light-ful-ness: thee!

*Dismissal: P) Go in peace. Share the good news. C) Thanks be to God.

Day by Day



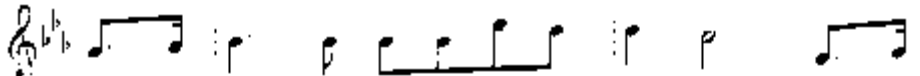
1 Day by day, your mercies, I send, at
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro- vide me strength to
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my




com- fort to my anx- ious soul. Day by day, the bless- ings, I send, you
 serve and wis- dom to a heav- I will seek your lov- ing will to
 bur- dens grow too great to bear. Oh, what joy to know that you will



send me down my near- er to my heav- 'nly goal
 guide me ev- er the paths I sing- ple day by day
 heart- ate when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer,



Love do you, be your all mor- tal mea- sure, bring to
 I will fear no ev- il of the mor- row, I will
 Day by day, no mat- ter what be- tide me, you will



naught the bur- dens of my quest; Say, now, lead me to the home I
 trust in your en- dur- ing grace; Say, now, help me bear life's pain and
 hold me ev- er in your hand; Say, now, with your pres- ence here to



rest sure, where at last I'll find e- ter- nal rest
 sin- row, till in glo- ry I be- hold your face
 guide me, I will reach at last the prom- ised land

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Sr. Pastor: The Rev. John R. Jones, III
 Cantor: Chuck Lindler
 Crucifer/Acolyte: Tammy Combs/Gavin Combs
 Comm. Assistant: Larry Nichols
 Altar Guild: Daniel Dunn
 Lector: Melody Neely
 Nursery: Janis Mills, Melody Neely
 July Ushers: Bob Deal Team

In Touch

Congregational Meeting & Change in Service Time! July 25
Council voted to have our first vote to disaffiliate with the ELCA on Sunday, July 25. This will be held in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. There will be one worship service that day at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday school. A letter has been sent out with more information, which you should have received. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the church council. All voting members may take part (one who is confirmed, communing, and made a contribution of record in the current or preceding year).

Vacation Bible School — Our VBS program will be held on Saturday, August 14 — for all children and adults. *Circle J Ranch* will be a one day event and will feature arts, crafts, music, games & lunch. Invite children/grandchildren (ages 3 up) to this great event.

Beach Decorations: WELCA has need of beach items, especially large seashells to decorate for Summer Celebration, July 31. Call Brenda if you can help (704-876-4028).

Last Sunday: Gen Fund—Budgeted: \$6,564; Rcvd: \$4,135; Gen Fund YTD —
Bdgtd:\$183,786; Rcvd: \$97,726; Attendance—94; End of June YTD expenses: \$141,575

Mr. Tate Holler requests the honour of your presence at the marriage of his daughter *Elizabeth Anne Holler* to *Christopher Kyle Brown* on Saturday, the twenty-fourth of July two thousand and ten at seven o'clock in the evening at **Mooresville ARP Church, 659** Carpenter Ave., Mooresville, NC. We invite you to worship with us and witness their vows. If you are unable to attend we ask your presence in thought and in prayer.

Upcoming Birthdays

- July 18 Meghan Massey, Mark Taylor
- July 19 Kathy Risso
- July 20 Christina Coffey, Kirk Hager
- July 21 Paula Cress
- July 22 Eric Hanson, Lauren Mills
- July 23 Barbara Gillon, Mark Johnston
- July 24 John Williams
- July 25 Donna Tazelaar
- July 26 Frank Mitchell, Larry Nichols, Cookie Tilley

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 18

8:00 am Choir Rehearsal
8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship

Wednesday, July 21

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, July 22

6:00 pm Civitans

Friday, July 23

5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal Dinner

Saturday, July 24

4:00 pm Wedding

Sunday, July 25 ~ Note: One worship service today!

9:30 am Congregational Meeting
10:15 am Choir Rehearsals
10:30 am Worship