

Worship Script
St. Peter's Lutheran Church
June 9, 2024 8:15 AM
Third Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

P: In the Name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Blessed be the Lord!

C: For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

P: The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

C: My heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

P: The Lord is the strength of his people;

C: He is the saving refuge of his anointed.

P: Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!

C: Be their shepherd and carry them forever."

P: Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, Your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will;

C: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

OPENING SONG

"Graves Into Gardens"

I searched the world but it couldn't fill me
A man's empty praise and treasures that fade are never e - nough
Then You came a - long and put me back to - gether
And every de - sire is now satis - fied here in Your love

Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You

I'm not a - fraid to show You my weakness My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all and You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley
And there's not a place Your mercy and grace won't find me a - gain

Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You

**Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You
Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You**

**You turn mourning to dancing You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory You're the only one who can**

**You turn graves into gardens You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways You're the only one who can
You turn graves into gardens You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways You're the only one who can**

You're the only one who can

**Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You
Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You**

**You turn graves into gardens You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways You're the only one who can**

You're the only one who can

**Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You
Oh there's nothing better than You There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing nothing is better than You**

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by Brandon Lake, Chris Brown, Steven Furtick, and Tiffany Hammer

FIRST READING Genesis 3:8-15

⁸They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" ¹⁰And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." ¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴The Lord God said to the serpent,
"Because you have done this,
 cursed are you above all livestock
 and above all beasts of the field;
on your belly you shall go,

and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.
¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Today in our Old Testament lesson we are reminded of the first moments after sin entered the world. We have joined Adam and Eve in turning against God and following Satan, the world and our own evil desires. Now in the presence of God, we know we cannot hide like Adam and Eve attempted. Instead let us turn to our God and trust in His mercy.

P: We confess the words of today's Psalm 130:

Men: “Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!

Women: O Lord, hear my voice!

Men: Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

Women: If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.” Lord God, forgive us, Your people, and renew our spirits in Your name. Amen.

P: Our Lord God has had mercy on us. By His great love He has sacrificed His Son for You, that you would live. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I declare to you that Your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!

PRAISE SONG

“Another In the fire”

**There's a grace when the heart is under fire
Another way when the walls are closing in
And when I look at the space between
Where I used to be and this reckoning
I know I will never be a - lone**

There was another in the fire standing next to me

**There was another in the waters holding back the seas
And should I ever need re - minding of how I've been set free
There is a cross that bears the burden where an - other died for me
There is another in the fire**

**All my debt left for dead beneath the waters
I'm no longer a slave to my sin any - more
And should I fall in the space between
What re - mains of me and this reckoning
Either way I won't bow to the things of this world
And I know I will never be a - lone**

**There is another in the fire standing next to me
There is another in the waters holding back the seas
And should I ever need re - minding what power set me free
There is a grave that holds no body and now that power lives in me**

There is another in the fire oh (4X)

**And I can see the light in the darkness as the darkness bows to Him
I can hear the roar in the heavens as the space between wears thin
I can feel the ground shake be - neath us as the prison walls cave in
Nothing stands be - tween us Nothing stands be - tween us**

**There is no other name but the Name that is Jesus
He who was and still is and will be through it all
So come what may in the space between
All the things unseen and this reckoning
I know I will never be a - lone I know I will never be a - lone**

**There'll be an - other in the fire standing next to me
There'll be another in the waters holding back the seas
And should I ever need re - minding how good You've been to me
I'll count the joy come ev'ry battle 'cause I know that's where You'll be**

**I'll count the joy come ev'ry battle 'Cause I know that's where You'll be
I'll count the joy come ev'ry battle 'Cause I know that's where You'll be**

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by Chris Davenport and Joel Houston

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

¹For we know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING Mark 3:20-35

²⁰Then [Jesus] went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons."

²³And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house.

²⁸"Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— ³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³²And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." ³³And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

P: This is the Word of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES CREED

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right

hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

SERMON **“Just Who Is in the Family of God?”** **Mark 3:20-35**
(Sermon Notes on the back of the Bulletin Announcements)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE *Kim Kaylor; Director of Family Ministries*

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC **“Hymn of Heaven”**

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets
To look up - on the one who bled to save me
And walk with Him for all eterni - ty

There will be a day when all will bow be - fore Him
There will be a day when death will be no more
Standing face to face with He who died and rose a - gain
Holy, holy is the Lord

And ev'ry prayer, we prayed in desper - ation
The songs of faith we sang through doubt and fear
In the end, we'll see that it was worth it
When He re - turns to wipe away our tears

There will be a day when all will bow be - fore Him
There will be a day when death will be no more
Standing face to face with He who died and rose a - gain
Holy, holy is the Lord

And on that day we join the resur - rection
And stand be - side the heroes of the faith
With one voice, a thousand gener - a - tions
Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain
For - ever He shall reign

And on that day we join the resur - rection

**And stand be - side the heroes of the faith
With one voice, a thousand gener - a - tions
Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain
For - ever He shall reign**

**So, let it be to - day we shout the hymn of Heaven
With angels and the Saints we raise a mighty roar
Glory to our God who gave us life be - yond the grave
Holy, holy is the Lord**

**So, let it be to - day we shout the hymn of Heaven
With angels and the Saints we raise a mighty roar
Glory to our God who gave us life be - yond the grave
Holy, holy is the Lord**

**Holy, holy is the Lord
Holy, holy is the Lord**

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by Bill Johnson, Brian Johnson, Chris Davenport, and Phil Wickham

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG

“How Great Is Our God”

**The splendor of the King clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice and trembles at His voice**

**How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great how great is our God**

**And age to age He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb the Lion and the Lamb**

**How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great how great is our God**

**Name above all names worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God**

**Name above all names worthy of all praise
My heart will sing how great is our God**

**How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great how great is our God**

**How great is our God sing with me
How great is our God and all will see
How great how great is our God**

**Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art How great Thou art
Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art How great Thou art**

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by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, and Jesse Reeves