NEW BEGINNINGS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – June 23rd, 2024 (11:11 am)

HE WON'T LET YOU PERISH

Psalm 124 Job 38:1-11 2 Corinthians 4:35-41

Mark 4:35-41

The Word of Christ Bestows Peace on His Creation through His Forgiveness of Sins

In his anguish and affliction, Job must be reminded that, as a finite creature, he is in no position to question the Maker of the heavens and the earth. Job's "words without knowledge" are unable to penetrate the wisdom of the Lord (Job 38:1–2). For the Lord has "prescribed limits" and "set bars and doors," so that "here shall your proud waves be stayed" (Job 38:9–11). That's how He humbles us unto repentance. But also by His powerful Word, He calms the "great windstorm" and the waves "breaking into the boat." He does not permit the chaos of this fallen world to overwhelm us or bring us to despair. By the Word of His Gospel, He speaks "Peace!" to us, which bestows the "great calm" of His new creation (Mark 4:37–39). Therefore, do not be afraid, and do not receive this grace of God in vain. "Now is the favorable time," and "now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:1–2).

WELCOME - (Cam)

GATHERING SONG - PSALM 100

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, to God our King

Sing Alleluia, Alleluia, sing alleluia to Christ our King

Sing Joyfully to the Lord, all your lands and peoples

Serve the Lord with gladness in your hearts joyfully come before him

Know that the lord is our God, He fashioned us and his we are

We are his people, the flock he tends, enter his gates with praise

Give thanks to Him and bless His name, for He is love and our true God

The Lord whose kindness endures forever His faithfulness enternal

Sing praise to our heavenly Father, Sing praise to Jesus, his Son

Sing praise to the Holy Spirit, Three forever One

THE HEART OF WORSHIP

When the music fades all is stripped away

And I simply come

Longing just to bring something that's of worth

That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song

For a song in itself is not what You have required

You search much deeper within

Through the way things appear

You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours
Ev'ry single breath

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PSALM 124 - OUR HELP IS IN THE NAME OF THE LORD (Pastor)

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side — let Israel now say —

2 if it had not been the LORD who was on our side when people rose up against us, 3 then
they would have swallowed us up alive,

when their anger was kindled against us;

⁴then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; ⁵then over us would have gone the raging waters.

⁶ Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!

⁷We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers;

the snare is broken, and we have escaped!

⁸Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

AS WE BEGIN and CALLING ON GOD'S NAME (Pastor)

P - In the name of the FATHER, the SON, and the HOLY SPIRIT. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P - Our Lord says, Call upon Me in the day of trouble. (Psalm 50:15) Every day in the life

of a human being is a day of trouble. We are troubled by the peril of our own sin and in need of rescue.

- C If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. (1 John 1:8)
 - P Our Lord says, Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you. (Psalm 50:15)
- C If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:9)

(Silence is kept for reflection on our sin.)

P - Let us examine ourselves in the light of God's law and confess our sin, asking God for His kind forgiveness.

ALL - Almighty and merciful God, Your First Commandment tells us to keep You first in our lives and to trust in You for all good things. But instead, we have forgotten You, we have disobeyed You, and have shuddered in fear at the attacks of this world. Forgive us, Lord, for Jesus' sake and strengthen our faith so we may follow courageously wherever You lead.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Pastor)

P - Our Lord says, call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me. (*Psalm 50:15*) I assure you that God has heard your cry for rescue from your sins, and for the sake of the suffering and death of His Son, Jesus Christ, He forgives you all your sins. Therefore, as His called and ordained servant, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Go in His peace and joy. Amen.

WORSHIP SONGS - 10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes
You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name
Lord I'll worship Your holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name
Worship Your holy name

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BIBLE READINGS - (Kaye)

JOB 38:1-11

The LORD Answers Job

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: ² "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Dress for action like a man: I will question you, and you make it known to me. ⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵ Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk. or who laid its cornerstone. ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? 8 "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹º and prescribed limits for it

and set bars and doors,

¹¹ and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

MARK 4:35-41

Jesus Calms a Storm

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶ And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. ³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. ³⁸ But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹ And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹ And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

WORSHIP SONG - SHOUT TO THE LORD

Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am
Never cease to worship You

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing
Power and majesty
Praise to the King
Mountains bow down
And the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name
I sing for joy
At the work of Your hands
Forever I'll love You
Forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You

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MESSAGE – HE WON'T LET YOU PERISH (Mark 4:35-41)

APOSTLES' CREED

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 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.

WORSHIP SONG - BE STILL MY SOUL (FINLANDIA)

Be still my soul the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still my soul thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Be still my soul when dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears
Then shalt thou better know His love His heart
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears
Be still my soul thy Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes away

Be still my soul the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment grief and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot love's purest joys restored
Be still my soul when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Be still my soul begin the song of praise

On earth believing to thy Lord on high
Acknowledge Him in all thy words and ways
So shall He view thee with a well-pleased eye
Be still my soul the Sun of life divine
Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (Prayer)

LORD'S PRAYER (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.

BENEDICTION (Pastor)

P - Hear the inspired words of the Apostle Paul, as he encouraged the Christians at Corinth in times of trouble: "So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as 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." (2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

P - 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG - OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

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