

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Third Sunday after Pentecost**  
*June 9, 2024*

**AS WE GATHER**

In the face of a world seeming to be falling apart, and maybe even your personal “world,” God’s Word has great and convincing comfort and hope for you this day. That hope, however, begins with knowing the real cause of our troubles. It is our sin and alienation from God that is at the root of all anger, frustration, bitterness, and death. We easily “lose heart” when all seems hopeless for us. The center and substance of hope in God is Jesus Christ whose resurrection from all that is darkness and death to us is the means and strength of faith to endure and stand firm through all that troubles us. For “if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you” (Romans 8:11). Far from being merely a blind hope for future deliverance, believing in the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come far outweighs everything and anything that can happen to us now. Living in this hope, we do not lose heart.

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 118:24

**Pastor:** This is the day the Lord has made.

**People:** **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**✠ PREPARATION ✠**

**HYMN “All Mankind Fell in Adam’s Fall!”**

{LSB 562 – 6 stanzas}

All mankind fell in Adam’s fall;  
From one to all the curse descends,

One common sin infects us all.  
And over all God’s wrath impends.

Through all our pow’rs corruption creeps  
In guilt we draw our infant breath

And us in dreadful bondage keeps;  
And reap its fruits of woe and death.

From hearts depraved, to evil prone,  
God’s image lost, the darkened soul

Flow thoughts and deeds of sin alone;  
Seeks not nor finds its heav’nly goal.

But Christ, the second Adam, came  
To be our life, our light, our way,

To bear our sin and woe and shame,  
Our only hope, our only stay.

As by one man all mankind fell  
So by one Man, who took our place,

And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,  
We all were justified by grace.

We thank You, Christ; new life is ours,  
This grace our ev'ry way attend

New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs.  
Until we reach our journey's end.

## INVOCATION

*(please stand)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## OPENING SENTENCES *Psalm 124:8; 130:3-5*

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the LORD,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Pastor: If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,

People: **O Lord, who could stand?**

Pastor: But with You there is forgiveness,

People: **that You may be feared.**

Pastor: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,

People: **and in His word I hope.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: From God's own Word we understand it is our sin that causes our troubles, doubt, fears, and death. For this reason, God's own Son became our Savior, taking the sin of the world upon Himself and paying our debt with His own death on the cross. All who have been baptized in His name have died with Him and live in the forgiveness of our sin. Let us therefore implore Him again and again for His forgiveness and life.

People: **O God, I confess to You that I have sinned against You in my thoughts, words, and deeds by my own fault. For the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, forgive me my sins and restore to me the hope of Your eternal salvation.**

Pastor: God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and

in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

☩ WORD ☩

**INTROIT** *Antiphon, Psalm 50:23; Psalm 50:1, 7-10, 14-15*

Pastor: He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me,

**People:** and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God.

Pastor: The Mighty One, God, the Lord,

**People:** speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets.

Pastor: Hear, O People, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you:

**People:** I am God, your God.

Pastor: I do not rebuke you for your sacrifices or your burnt offerings,

**People:** which are ever before me.

Pastor: I have no need of a bull from your stall

**People:** or of goats from your pens,

Pastor: for every animal of the forest is mine,

**People:** and the cattle on a thousand hills.

Pastor: Sacrifice thank offerings to God,

**People:** fulfill your vows to the Most High,

Pastor: and call upon me in the day of trouble;

**People:** I will deliver you, and you will honor me.

**All:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Pastor: He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me,

**People:** and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God.

**KYRIE**

Pastor: Lord, have mercy,

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Christ, have mercy,

**People:** Christ, have mercy.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy,

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

## SALUTATION

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**People:** **Amen.** *(please be seated)*

**FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15** *(The first promise of a Savior from sin.)*

8 And they 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. 9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you? 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." 13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate." 14 The 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. 15 I 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."

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1** *(Therefore do not lose heart.)*

13 Since 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, 14 knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. 15 For 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.

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

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*(please stand)*

**HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35** *(Jesus accused by His family and teachers of the Law.)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the third chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

20 Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. 21 And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind." 22 And 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." 23 And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. 26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. 27 But 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, 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" - 30 for they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit." 31 And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. 32 And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you." 33 And he answered them, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" 34 And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

## THE 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 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.** *(please be seated)*

## HYMN: "Amazing Grace"

{LSB 744 – 5 stanzas}

Amazing grace - how sweet the sound -  
I once was lost but now am found,

That saved a wretch like me!  
Was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me,  
He will my shield and portion be  
Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
His grace has brought me safe thus far,

His Word my hope secures;  
As long as life endures.  
I have already come;  
His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail  
Amazing grace shall then prevail

And mortal life shall cease,  
In heaven's joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise

Bright shining as the sun,  
Than when we'd first begun.

## MESSAGE: "Taking Charge"

**Mark 3:20-35**

## OFFERING

If you are a **visitor** this morning, you are our guest. Please do not feel obligated to give as the offering plate is passed. The offering is an opportunity for **members** to practice faithful stewardship and to support the ministries of Christ's church.

***Visitors** - If you are visiting with us today, we'd love to get to know you! Please don't forget to sign your name and fill in your contact information in the red booklets on the inside aisle!*

*Messiah Members* – please remember to record your attendance in the red booklets and pass them down the pew to your neighbors so they can record their attendance as well!

**OFFERING SONG: “We Give Thee But Thine Own” (LSB 781 - vv. 1-2)**

(Please sing as the offering is presented at the Altar)  
We give Thee but Thine own, Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our firstfruits give!

**RECEIVING OF MEMBERS: *Doug & Aime Winckler***

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

*(please stand)*

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs . . . Lord, in your mercy,

**People:** **hear our prayer**

**Pastor:** Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for who we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has taught us to pray . . .

**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.**

**GRACE TO RECEIVE THE WORD**

**Pastor:** Let us pray. Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** **Amen.**

**SALUTATION**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

## BENEDICTION

Pastor: The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **Amen.** *(please be seated)*

## HYMN: “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” {LSB 707 – 4 stanzas}

Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways Oh, that my God would grant me grace	To keep His statutes still! To know and do His will!
Order my footsteps by Thy Word Let sin have no dominion, Lord,	And make my heart sincere; But keep my conscience clear.
Assist my soul, too apt to stray, And should I e'er forget Thy way,	A stricter watch to keep; Restore Thy wand'ring sheep.
Make me to walk in Thy commands - Nor let my head or heart or hands	'Tis a delightful road - Offend against my God.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace to love and serve the living Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### JUNE ALTAR FLOWERS

*June 2nd – Charles Georg – in Memory of son Charles Georg, Jr.*

*June 9<sup>th</sup> – Mario & Eve Betancourt – celebrating Gianni's 17<sup>th</sup> birthday*

*Jun 16<sup>th</sup> – Linda Dick – blessings on her trip to London to visit daughter*

*June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Ed & Carol Mycock – celebrating 49 years of marriage*

*June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Terry Chhabra – Frank & Amanda Addington  
celebrating 23 years of marriage & Luke's 11<sup>th</sup> birthday*

*June 30<sup>th</sup> – Larry & Kathy Rottman – celebrating 49 years of marriage*

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**Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs...**

Prayers for **Pastor Vanderbush & family** as they travel to Boerne for his Installation Service Sun. Jun 9th, at 3:00 pm

Prayers for **Pastor Lofgren** as he assists Pastor Vanderbush, & for his next call as an Interim Pastor in service to God & the Texas District

Prayers for the family of **Frank Lindkvist** as they mourn his passing on June 1st

Prayers for **Karla Marchell** recovering from surgery

Prayers for **Jean Schuchardt** as she has been diagnosed with Bell's Palsy

Prayers for **Joe & Verna Sorensen** & her **medical team** caring for a tumor on the lining of her brain

Prayers for **Chris Carter** as he undergoes new cancer treatments and for wife, **Penny**

**Ruben Lopez** requests prayers for his friend **Isabella** recovering from back surgery

**David & Sue Theis** requests prayers for granddaughter **Elizabeth Tobaben** awaiting blood test results

**Ernie Mazurek** requests prayer for sister-in-law **Susie Roberts** undergoing cancer treatment

**Lindy Eschenko** requests prayer for **Verlyn Wiederholt** who tripped over grandchildren's dog injuring her eye orbit

**Mark Giardinelli** requests prayers as he returns from Ysleta El Paso Lutheran Mission

Prayers for **David Sattler** as he awaits test results and relief from leg issues

**Holly Vanderbush** as she recovers from a broken arm

**Kirk Marchell** requests prayers for his **Uncle Paul** in Grand Forks, ND, recovering from heart surgery

**Paul Duennenberg** request prayers for brother-in-law, **J. R. Rittimann** undergoing chemo for cancer

Prayers for **John Soper** for continued recovery at Menger Springs in Boerne & for wife **Susie**

Prayers for **Sue Parker's** sister **Jeannie** for the upcoming chemo treatments & healing of cancer

**David Wendeborn** requests prayer for Father - **Marvin** battling health issues

**Kathleen Blakely** requests prayer for niece, **Michelle Mohnke O'Brian**

**Brad & Laura Sanders** requests prayers for Laura's Father, **Jack**

Prayers for **Terry Chhabra** who is dealing with vision problems

Prayers for **Gloria Bloecher** dealing with health issues

**Debra Beard** requests prayers of continued healing for her brother, **Tod Dunlevy** in Wisconsin

Prayers for Justice & Peace around the world, especially with tensions in the Middle East, for family discord, reconciliation, & healing; for rescue for those in abusive relationships, for those with physical, emotional, and prayers for all who are lost to hear & receive Jesus' Gospel message

**Into your hands, O Father, we commend all for who we pray, trusting in Your mercy; thru Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS!

**WELCOME . . . Whoever you are . . . Wherever you have come from . . . we are so glad you are here!**

*Your presence increases our joy as we praise our loving Savior together.*

***Today – Sun., June 9<sup>th</sup> – Pastor Lofgren will lead our Worship Service at 10:30 am***

***Today – Sun., June 9<sup>th</sup> – Pastor Neil Vanderbush will be installed as Messiah's Sole Paster at 3:00 pm***

***Adult Game Day – Sat. Jun. 15<sup>th</sup> 2:00-5:00 pm*** in the Fellowship Room of the FLC. All are welcome -,  
*bring your favorite game, snacks, and drinks to share for an afternoon of "Fun and Games!"*

***Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am*** – Messiah's Family is gathering on in the Narthex for a time of fellowship with Pastor Lofgren & Norma as we bid them farewell. Coffee will be ready at 9:00 am. ***Please bring your favorite brunch dish ready to serve and share at 9:00 am!***

***Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am*** – Pastor Neil Vanderbush will lead our Worship Service (with communion) and we will say "Farewell and Godspeed" to Pastor Lofgren.

***Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center*** – Your Baby Bottle Boomerang donations need to be turned in to Kathlin Jauregui & Sue Theis on **Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**.

***Messiah Ladies Time Out*** - lunch will be at **11:00 am at High Street Cafe in Comfort on Thu., June 20<sup>th</sup>** where we can roam around before meeting for lunch. Kathleen Blakely has invited us all to her beautiful home nearby for dessert after! RSVP to Lindy or sign up at church!

***Hill Country Daily Bread*** - Back-to-School Clothing Bags are now available! Please, Do Not Mark on the Outside Sticker! There is a shopping sheet included with each bag. All bags need to be picked up no later than Father's Day – June 16<sup>th</sup>. They will need to be returned by **Sun., June 23<sup>rd</sup>**.

***Fellowship Committee*** - A big thank you to all who turned out for the family picnic last weekend. The weather cooperated and from the comments I've heard, a good time was had by all. My personal thanks to all the committee members who helped to make this a success!

***From the Property Committee:*** Thanks to all of you that keep the campus cut, blown, and litter picked up. Everything is looking great, or as best as possible based on the lack of rain we have received. Paul will be out next week, beginning on June 9<sup>th</sup> for a medical procedure which will take him out of commission for a week or so. Paul plans on keeping things tidy particularly till the Installation on June 9. Thank you all for all you do!

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***"Big Thank You!"*** - to all that helped get the upstairs back in order! David Wendeborn & Maurine



“Whoever does **God’s**  
**will**

is my brother and sister and mother.”

Mark 3:35, NIV

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Missouri Synod

**Serving us Today – June 9, 2024**

Elders: Bill Eichman & Roger Winkelmann  
Coffee: Sue Parker  
Breakfast: Sue Parker  
Tellers: Anthony Sansone  
Chancel Care: Kim & Maurine Maloy  
Message: Pastor Richard Lofgren  
Kid’s Message: Pastor Richard Lofgren  
Musician: Bob Shoaf  
AV: Ernie & Marilyn Mazurek  
Reader: Pam Fields  
Ushers: Dennis & Sue Parker – Vonda Petmecky – Mike Stender  
Greeter: Sue Theis

**Serving us Next Sunday – May 16, 2024**

Elders: Bill Eichman & Roger Winkelmann  
Coffee: Erik & Rebecca Sagebiel  
Breakfast: Erik & Rebecca Sagebiel  
Tellers: Anthony Sansone  
Chancel Care: Kim & Maurine Maloy  
Message: Pastor Richard Lofgren  
Kid’s Message: Pastor Richard Lofgren  
Musician: Bob Shoaf  
AV: David & Lorrie Wendeborn  
Reader: Hal Eschenko  
Ushers: Dennis & Sue Parker – Vonda Petmecky – Mike Stender  
Greeter: Lindy Eschenko

**Our Response to God**

**Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Worship – 86**

**Adult Sunday School 18**

<b>May 2024 Contributions</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>\$49,905.16</b>	<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$6,530.00</b>
<b>Renovation Fund</b>	<b>\$ - 0.00 -</b>	<b>FLC Rental</b>	<b>\$6,550.00</b>