

Third Sunday after Pentecost - Sunday June 13th, 2021 – 9:00 am

Music Today

Terrie Sanchez & Choir

AS WE GATHER

In marriage we see an image of the unity between Christ and His bride, the Church. Just as Jesus gave up His life for the Church, so a man is called to forgive, and lay down his life for his "other." Without Christ then, no human relationship can ideally survive. Our Lord blessed and honored marriage with his presence and first miracle at Cana in Galilee. This estate is also commended to us by the New Testament apostle, Paul as good and honorable.

The union of husband and wife in heart, body, and mind is intended by God for the mutual companionship, help, and support that each person ought to receive from the other, both in prosperity and adversity. Marriage was also designed so that man and woman may find delight in one another, and God established marriage for the creation of children who are to be brought up in the instruction of the Lord so that they may offer Him their praise.

Gathering Song Lean on Me

Welcome & Invocation

Pastor Aaron Boerst

Opening Song Come Ye Thankful People Come LSB 892 vv.1, 2, 4



1 Come, ye thank-ful peo - ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
2 All the world is God's own field, Fruit un - to His praise to yield;
4 E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come To Thy fi - nal har-vest home;



All be safe - ly gath - ered in Ere the win - ter storms be - gin;
Wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, Un - to joy or sor - row grown.
Gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, Free from sor - row, free from sin,



God, our mak - er, doth pro - vide For our wants to be sup - plied.
First the blade and then the ear, Then the full corn shall ap - pear.
There, for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, In Thy gar - ner to a - bide:



Come to God's own tem - ple, come; Raise the song of har-vest home.
Lord of har - vest, grant that we Whole - some grain and pure may be.
Come with all Thine an - gels, come, Raise the glo - rious har-vest home.

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Confession & Forgiveness

Pastor: Holy and gracious God,

People: I confess that I have sinned against You, in thought, word, and deed, by what I have done, and by what I have not done. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, my Savior, I ask forgiveness and pray You to deliver and restore me by Your mercy. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and given to us His only Son to suffer and die for our salvation. 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. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Loving Father, You have given us the perfect model of love in Your Son Jesus Christ and His sacrificial death. You determined to restore the relationship You had made with us in the beginning and sent forth Your Spirit to bind us in Your Church. Grant us the same spirit of love and forgiveness in all our human relationships that we see You when we see each other; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Reader

Judy Baggenstoss

First Reading

Genesis 2: 7-9, 18-25

(God addresses Adam and Eve with the promise of the One to come who would restore them to Him.)

⁷then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. ⁸And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹And out of the ground the LORD God made to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called Woman,
because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Ephesians 5: 21-33

("We have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.")

²¹submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

²⁸In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.

²⁹For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body. ³¹"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Third Reading

Matthew 19:3-6

³And Pharisees came up to him and tested him by asking, "Is it lawful to divorce one's wife for any cause?" ⁴He answered, "Have you not read that he who created them from the beginning made them male and female, ⁵and said, 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh'? ⁶So they are no longer two but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

Pastor: This is the Word of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Song of the Day Brothers and Sisters in Christ

¹ Sing Alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and your praises ascend.

Lift up your voices and sing To our Lord God, Our Savior and King!

Here brought together by grace, We are gathered as friends in this place.

Chorus: And assembled as one, in the name of the Son,
Lifting hearts, lifting hands, celebrating as friends,
And proclaiming the Lord, All our praises afford.
We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

² Man walked alone and in need, Without faith, hope or promise or creed

Wandering aimlessly lost Unaware of the staggering cost;

That God in His mercy would save All his people from death and the grave. **(Chorus)**

³ Lord, teach us how to proclaim All Your goodness, Your love and Your name!

Lord, teach us how to forgive, And in love, teach us Lord, how to live.

Raising our voices in song, Help us tell all the world we belong. **(Chorus)**

Sermon

Tough Topic Tackle Box: Marriage

Pastor Aaron Boerst

Creed – APOSTLE'S CREED *Explanation of the First Article*

Pastor: Out of His love, our Creating God provides not only for our spiritual needs of faith and forgiveness, but also for all that we need for our physical, emotional, and social well-being. Believing in God the Father as creator of all is the focus of the Small Catechism's explanation of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed, which we confess together:

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: What does this mean?

People: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to

support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

Prayers of the Church

Pastor: Bless the married that they be faithful, bless the single that they be chaste and enjoy the company and support of Christian friends, and bless the aged and infirm that they know the loving care of family in their time of need. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give to all families grace to love one another, that husbands and wives live in fidelity toward each other and show compassionate care to their children. Bless all women in childbirth and sustain the aged in strength of body and mind. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Help us to be good stewards of Your creation, to share what You have supplied with those in need, and to support the work of Your Church in her mission here and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Rally the nations to peace that all peoples enjoy the protection of law, the gift of liberty, and the freedom to live fruitful, upright, and godly lives; bring an end to all oppression, acts of terror, and violence. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Make us a generous people that we willingly share the resources You have given with those in need and for the support of Your Church and the good work of Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, Hear us now on behalf of those in our congregation and all who stand in need:

Local concerns may be added by congregational elder here.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Sharing Peace

Offertory – Give Thanks LSB 806

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son.

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
And now let the weak say "I am strong,"

Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks, give thanks.

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Presentation of Gifts

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You are the giver of all good things, and Your Word makes clear that every good and perfect gift comes from You. We ask that You accept these gifts back unto Yourself and use them to Your glory. [*Psalm 145:15, James 1:17*]

People: Amen.

Holy Communion

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you. [*2 Timothy 4:22*]

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. [*Colossians 3:1*]

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [*Psalm 136*]

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Words of Our Lord [*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*]

Proclamation of Christ

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
[*1 Cor.11:26*]

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. [*Revelation 22:20*]

Lord's Prayer [*Matthew 6:9–13*]

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: 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.

Distribution

Above All (Instrumental)

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my Light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless Babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save

'Til on that cross as Jesus died
 The wrath of God was satisfied
 For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
 Here in the death of Christ I live

No guilt in life no fear in death
 This is the pow'r of Christ in me
 From life's first cry to final breath
 Jesus commands my destiny
 No pow'r of hell no scheme of man
 Can ever pluck me from His hand
 'Til He returns or calls me home
 Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

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How Great Thou Art LSB 801



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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Benediction [Numbers 6:24-26]

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

Announcements

Sending Song **Lead Me Guide Me LSB 721**

Refrain



Lead me, guide me, a - long the way;



For if You lead me, I can - not stray.



Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.



Lead me, O Lord, lead me.



1 I am weak and I need Thy strength and pow'r
2 Help me tread in the paths of righ - teous - ness,
3 I am lost if You take Your hand from me,



To help me o - ver my weak - est hour.
Be my aid when Sa - tan and sin op - press.
I am blind with - out Thy light to see.



Help me through the dark-ness Thy face to see.
I am put - ting all my trust in Thee.
Lord, al - ways let me Thy ser - vant be.



Refrain

Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
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