



Faith Lutheran Church

June 15, 2025

10:10 a.m. at Library Square

Holy Trinity Sunday

Gathering Music: “Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me” (CCLI #7121852)

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give, He is my joy my righteousness and freedom. My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his. Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine yet not I but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken. For by my side the Savior he will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing. For in my need his power is displayed.

To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley He will lead. Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome. Yet not I but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven. The future sure the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free. Yet not I but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for he has said that he will bring me home. And day by day I know he will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him. When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat. Yet not I but through Christ in me.

**When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat.
Yet not I but through Christ in me. Yet not I but through Christ in me.**

“The Father’s House” (CCLI #7135153)

**Sometimes on this journey I get lost in my mistakes,
What looks to me like weakness is a canvas for Your strength.
My story isn't over, my story's just begun, failure won't define me
'Cause that's what my Father does. Failure won't define me
'Cause that's what my Father does.**

***Chorus:* Oo lay your burdens down. Oo here in the Father's house.
Check your shame at the door, cause it ain't welcome anymore
Oo you're in the Father's house.**

**Arrival's not the endgame, the journey's where You are.
You never wanted perfect, You just wanted my heart.
And the story isn't over, if the story isn't good
Failure's never final when the Father's in the room.
Failure's never final when the Father's in the room. *Chorus***

**Prodigals come home the helpless find hope, love is on the move
When the Father's in the room. Prison doors fling wide the dead
come to life, love is on the move when the Father's in the room.
Miracles take place the cynical find faith, love is breaking through
When the Father's in the room. Jericho walls are quaking,
Strongholds now are shaking, love is breaking through.
When the Father's in the room love is breaking through
When the Father's in the room. *Chorus***

Greeting/Announcements

Song “Praise” (CCLI #7213077)

**I'll praise in the valley, praise on the mountain. I'll praise when I'm sure
Praise when I'm doubting. I'll praise when outnumbered
Praise when surrounded. 'Cause praise is the water my enemies drown in.**

**As long as I'm breathing I've got a reason to
Praise the Lord oh my soul. Praise the Lord oh my soul.**

**I'll praise when I feel it and I'll praise when I don't. I'll praise 'cause I
know You're still in control 'cause my praise is a weapon, it's more than a
sound. My praise is the shout that brings Jericho down.**

**As long as I'm breathing I've got a reason to praise the Lord oh my soul,
Praise the Lord oh my soul. I won't be quiet, my God is alive.
How could I keep it inside? Praise the Lord oh my soul.**

**I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign, praise 'cause You reign.
Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave. I'll praise 'cause You're
faithful, Praise 'cause You're true. Praise 'cause there's nobody greater
than You.**

Praise the Lord oh my soul

Repeat x4

I won't be quiet. My God is alive. How could I keep it inside? *Repeat x3*

Praise the Lord oh my soul

Brief Order for Confession and 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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and by the authority of Jesus Christ I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God our Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, renewing and fulfilling creation by your eternal Spirit, and revealing your glory through our Lord, Jesus Christ: Cleanse us from doubt and fear, and enable us to worship you, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, living and reigning, now and forever. Amen.

Song “Only A Holy God” (CCLI #7073332)

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven? Who else could make every king bow down? Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises? What other splendor outshines the sun? What other majesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God.

***Chorus:* Come and behold Him, the One and the Only
Cry out sing holy, forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God.**

What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead? What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

**Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer His only Son? Who else invites me to call Him Father? Only a Holy God.
Only my Holy God *Chorus***

“Highlands (Songs Of Ascent)” (CCLI #7122399)

Oh how high would I climb mountains if the mountains were where You hide. Oh how far I'd scale the valleys if You graced the other side.

Oh how long have I chased rivers from lowly seas to where they rise against the rush of grace descending from the source of its supply.

'Cause in the highlands and the heartache You're neither more or less inclined. I would search and stop at nothing, You're just not that hard to find.

***Chorus:* Oh I will praise You on the mountain, I will praise You when the mountain's in my way. You're the summit where my feet are so I will praise You in the valleys all the same. No less God within the shadows, no less faithful when the night leads me astray. You're the heaven where my heart is. In the highlands and the heartache all the same.**

Oh how far beneath Your glory does Your kindness extend the path? From where Your feet rest on the sunrise to where You sweep the sinner's past.

And Oh how fast would You come running if just to shadow me through the night, Trace my steps through all my failure and walk me out the other side.

For who could dare ascend that mountain, that valleyed hill called Calvary, But for the One I call Good Shepherd, who like a lamb was slain for me.

Chorus

**Whatever I walk through, wherever I am, Your Name can move mountains
Wherever I stand. And if ever I walk through the valley of death I'll sing
through the shadows my song of ascent.**

**My song of ascent, whoa, whoa. My song of ascent, whoa, whoa.
From the gravest of all valleys come the pastures we call grace.
A mighty river flowing upwards from a deep but empty grave.**

Chorus

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-5, 26-27

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool." ' Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Faith Seeds: Laura Stowman

Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation: "Alleluia"

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to you alone.

Lord, to whom shall we go?

You alone have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, to you alone.

Gospel: John 8:48-59

The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon; but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is one who seeks it and he is the judge. Very truly, I tell you, whoever keeps my word will never see death." The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and so did the prophets; yet you say, "Whoever keeps my word will never taste death.' Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? The prophets also died. Who do you claim to be?" Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, he of whom you say, "He is our God,' though you do not know him. But I know him; if I would say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you. But I do know him and I keep his word. Your ancestor Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day; he saw it and was glad." Then the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am." So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "He Is" Pastor Dave Wollan

Song "Good Good Father" (CCLI Song #7036612)

**I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone.**

Chorus: You're a Good Good Father. It's who You are,
It's who You are. It's who You are, and I'm loved by You.
It's who I am. It's who I am. It's who I am.

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide
Because You know just what we need before we say a word.

You are perfect in all of Your ways. You are perfect in all of Your ways.
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us.

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak. Peace so unexplainable I can hardly
think. As You call me deeper still; As You call me deeper still; As You call
me deeper still, into love, love, love. *Chorus*

The Athanasian Creed (Abridged)

We worship one God in trinity and the Trinity in unity,
neither confusing the persons nor dividing the divine being.
For the Father is one person, the Son is another and the
Spirit is still another.

But the deity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,
equal in glory, co-eternal in majesty.

What the Father is, the Son is, and so is the Holy Spirit.

Uncreated is the Father; uncreated is the Son; uncreated is the Spirit.

The Father is infinite; the Son is infinite; the Holy Spirit is infinite.

Eternal is the Father; eternal is the Son; eternal is the Spirit.

And yet there are not three eternal beings, but one who is eternal;
as there are not three uncreated and unlimited beings,
but one who is uncreated and unlimited.

Almighty is the Father; almighty is the Son; almighty is the Spirit.

And yet there are not three almighty beings, but one who is almighty.

Thus, the Father is God; the Son is God; the Holy Spirit is God.

And yet there are not three gods, but one God.

Thus the Father is Lord; the Son is Lord; the Holy Spirit is Lord;

And yet there are not three lords, but one Lord.

The Father was neither made nor created nor begotten;

the Son was neither made nor created, but was alone begotten of the
Father; the Spirit was neither made nor created, but is proceeding
from the Father and the Son.

Thus, there is one Father, not three fathers;

one Son, not three sons; one Holy Spirit, not three spirits.

And in this Trinity, no one is before or after, greater or less than the
other;

But all three persons are in themselves, co-eternal and co-equal;
and so we must worship the Trinity in unity and the one God
in three persons.

Whoever wants to be saved should think thus about the Trinity.

Offering Song “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (CCLI #18723)

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; There is no shadow of
turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
As thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.**

***Chorus:* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed thy hand hath
provided; Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and
stars in their courses above. Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Chorus***

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer
and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Chorus***

Offertory Response: “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (CCLI #56204)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Installation of the Summer Fellows

Prayers of the Church

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.**

Benediction

Sending Song “My Lighthouse” (CCLI #7002032)

**In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures, You won't walk out
You great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.**

**In my silence, You won't let go
In my questions, Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea.**

Chorus: My lighthouse, My lighthouse
Shining in the darkness, I will follow you
My Lighthouse, My lighthouse, I will trust the promise,
You will carry me Safe to shore
Safe to shore Safe to shore
Safe to shore!

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
You are the peace in my troubled sea *Chorus*
Fire before us You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms *Chorus*

“What Does This Mean?”

Questions about today's worship theme

1. Why did Jesus' comments cause the Jews to want to stone him?
2. What does it mean that God is Trinity?
3. What does it mean *for you* that God is Trinity?

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