

# The Second Sunday after Pentecost

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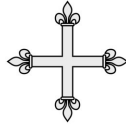


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*A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.*



## Gathering

### Prelude

Grand Partita on EIN FESTE BURG

Karl Osterland (b. 1956)

I. A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, *Fanfare*

II. With Might of Ours Can Naught Be Done, *Trio*

III. Though Devils All the World Should Fill, *Totentanz*

### Welcome

### Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.  
**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider,  
**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Amen.**



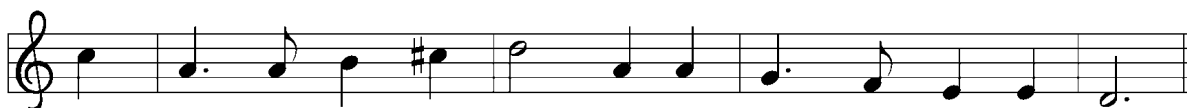
1 If God my Lord be for me, I may a host de - fy;  
 2 I build on this foun - da - tion, that Je - sus and his blood  
 3 Christ Je - sus is my splen - dor, my sun, my light, a - lone;  
 4 For joy my heart is ring - ing; all sor - row dis - ap - pears;



for when I pray, be - fore me my foes, con - found - ed, fly.  
 a - lone are my sal - va - tion, the true, e - ter - nal good.  
 were he not my de - fend - er be - fore the judg - ment throne,  
 and full of mirth and sing - ing, it wipes a - way all tears.



If Christ, my head and mas - ter, be - friend me from a - bove,  
 With - out him all that pleas - es will vain and emp - ty prove.  
 I nev - er should find fa - vor and mer - cy in God's sight,  
 The sun that cheers my spir - it is Je - sus Christ, my king;



what foe or what di - sas - ter can drive me from his love?  
 The gifts I have from Je - sus a - lone are worth my love.  
 but be de - stroyed for - ev - er as dark - ness by the light.  
 the heav'n I shall in - her - it makes me re - joice and sing.

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. Richard Massie, 1800–1887, adapt.  
 Music: IST GOTT FÜR MICH, English melody, 16th cent.

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## Hymn of Praise



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace to earth be  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, cre - a - tion's  
3 To you a - lone, O God, we cry, the Ho - ly One we



giv - en! Let an - gels sing, let all re - ply; good -  
au - thor, O Lamb of God, your death a - lone takes  
name you; for you a - lone are God most high, one



will breaks forth from heav - en! Lord God Al - might - y,  
sin a - way for - ev - er. Stretch out your arms to  
liv - ing God we claim you: we wor - ship you, Lord



heav - en's king, we wor - ship you, our thanks we sing, we  
ev - 'ry land, and, as you reign at God's right hand, re -  
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it ev - er blest, in



praise you for your glo - ry.  
ceive our prayer; have mer - cy.  
God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. A - men.

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## Musical Reflection

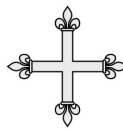
Choristers

*Praise our God, the living Lord!  
Come, sing a joyful alleluia!  
Lift your voice in one accord,  
come, sing a joyful alleluia!*

*Bow before him, praise, adore him.  
Let your heart give thanks in joyful song*

Praise him, praise him, praise him in every nation.  
Our Redeemer, author of our salvation.  
Blessing, honor, glory, power  
be unto our God forever more.

Come, Sing a Joyful Alleluia!  
Text: Dan R Edwards  
Music: Dan R. Edwards



## Word

### First Reading

Genesis 3:8-15

*Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.*

[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.  
I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

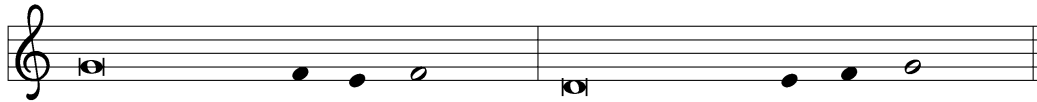
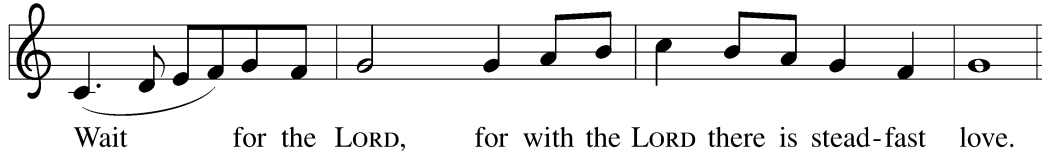
The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm

Psalm 130

Refrain: Aaron David Miller

*The cantor introduces the refrain; please sing the second time. The verses are sung in alternation; verses sung by the congregation are printed in bold. Subsequent refrains are sung only once by all, at the places indicated by **R**.*



- <sup>1</sup>Out <sup>|</sup> of the depths  
I cry to <sup>|</sup> you, O LORD;  
<sup>2</sup>**O LORD, <sup>|</sup> hear my voice!**  
**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my <sup>|</sup> supplication.**  
<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch <sup>|</sup> over sins,  
O LORD, <sup>|</sup> who could stand?  
<sup>4</sup>**Yet with you <sup>|</sup> is forgiveness,**  
**in order that you <sup>|</sup> may be feared. R**  
<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; <sup>|</sup> my soul waits;  
in your word <sup>|</sup> is my hope.  
<sup>6</sup>**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch <sup>|</sup> for the morning,**  
**more than those who keep watch <sup>|</sup> for the morning.**  
<sup>7</sup>O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is <sup>|</sup> steadfast love;  
with the LORD there is plen- <sup>|</sup> teous redemption.  
<sup>8</sup>**For the LORD shall <sup>|</sup> redeem Israel**  
**from <sup>|</sup> all their sins. R**

## Second Reading

Corinthians 4:13--5:1

*Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.*

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation



*Cantor* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*All* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*Cantor* The ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself. (John 12:31, 32)

*All* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the third chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.*

[Jesus went home;] and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

Pastor Miller



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
 2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
 3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
 4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
 ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
 vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
 fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
 God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
 can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
 weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
 The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
 in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
 goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

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 Music: EIN FESTE BURG, Martin Luther  
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## **Apostles' Creed**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

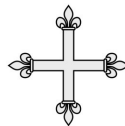
Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.  
**Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**



# Thanksgiving

## Offering

We invite you to give your offering online at [saintlukegive.us](http://saintlukegive.us) or on the Give Plus app.  
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*Music at the offering*

Sicilienne and Allegro from Flute Sonata No. 2

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

**O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child with arms open wide.  
Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this  
same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace.  
Amen.**

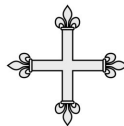
## The Lord's Prayer

*Please pray in your own preferred language.*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**

**Padre Nuestro Que estas en los cielos  
Santificado sea tu Nombre  
Venga a nosotros tu Reino  
Hagase tu voluntad asi en la tierra como en el cielo  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada dia  
Perdona nuestras ofensas  
Como nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden  
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentacion mas libranos del mal  
Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la Gloria  
Por los siglos de los siglos. Amen**



# Sending

## Blessing

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
✠ be upon you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

ELW 860

1 I'm so glad I'm so glad  
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,  
3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,  
Je - sus lift - ed me. I'm so glad  
Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,  
When I was in trou - ble,  
sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual

## Dismissal

Go in peace.  
Do not lose heart.  
You are the body of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Grand Partita on EIN FESTE BURG  
IV. The Word They Still Shall Let Remain, *Final*

Karl Osterland

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