

**GETHSEMANE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**200 West Anderson Lane - Austin Texas**

**PENTECOST 4**

**June 28, 2020**

**PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION**

*“Called by Grace, Led by Faith,  
Welcoming All to Share God’s Love”*



**10:30 am Gethsemane Zoom Pentecost Season Liturgy**  
**11:30 am Gethsemane Facebook Pentecost Season Liturgy**

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*The welcome of baptism is for all God’s children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today’s gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God’s merciful welcome. (Celebrate, Augsburg Fortress)*

**PRELUDE**

**P:** We make the sign of the cross in remembrance of our baptism into the Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *(Congregation Remains Seated)*

**P:** If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**C:** We confess to you that 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 trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen

**THE ABSOLUTION** *(Congregation Stands)*

**P:** With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** *(Greet one another)*

GATHERING SONG

**“All Are Welcome”**

(vs. 1 & 2) ELW 641

Let us build a house  
Where love can dwell  
And all can safely live,  
A place where  
Saints and children tell  
How hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
Rock of faith and vault of grace;  
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions;

*Refrain:* All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,  
And words are strong and true,  
Where all God's children dare to seek  
To dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
And a symbol of God's grace;  
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: *Refrain*

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

PRAISE SONG

**“Jesus Loves Me”**

ELW 595

Jesus loves me this I know  
For the Bible tells me so  
Little ones to him belong  
They are weak but he is strong

*Refrain:* Yes Jesus loves me  
Yes Jesus loves you  
Yes Jesus loves us the Bible tells me so

**PRAYER OF THE DAY: O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, “Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.”

P: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

<sup>1</sup>Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup>**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;**

**you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

<sup>3</sup>"I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

<sup>4</sup>**I will establish your line forever,**

**and preserve your throne for all generations."**

<sup>15</sup>Happy are the people who know the festal shout!

They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

<sup>16</sup>**They rejoice daily in your name;**

**they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

<sup>17</sup>For you are the glory of their strength,

and by your favor our might is exalted.

<sup>18</sup>**Truly, our shield belongs to the LORD;**

**our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

#### GLORIA PATRI

L: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. **C: Amen.**

#### SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Congregation Stands*)

**“The B-I-B-L-E”**

**The B-i-b-l-e, yes, that’s the book for me!**

**I stand alone on the word of God. The B-i-b-l-e! (*Sing 3 times*)**

HOLY GOSPEL ANNOUNCED

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 10:40-42.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

HOLY GOSPEL PROCLAIMED

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

APOSTLES’ CREED

**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.**

CHILDREN’S TIME

HYMN OF THE DAY

**“All Are Welcome”**

(vs. 3-5) ELW 641

**Let us build a house where love is found  
In water, wine and wheat:  
A banquet hall on holy ground,  
Where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
Is revealed in time and space;  
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:**

*Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome,  
All are welcome in this place.*

**Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they’ve known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
Bear the image of God’s face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger: *Refrain***

**Let us build a house where all are named,  
Their songs and visions heard  
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
As words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter  
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: *Refrain***

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE BAPTIZED COMMUNITY

P: Hear us, O God,

**C: Your mercy is great.**

CONSECRATION OF BREAD AND WINE

LORD'S PRAYER, DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION/OFFERING

**"Amazing Grace"**

ELW 779

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!**

**I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me;  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.**



POST COMMUNION PRAYERS AND BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

**"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"**

ELW 538

**The Lord now sends us forth  
with hands to serve and give,  
to make of all the earth  
a better place to live. *(repeat)***

**The angels are not sent  
into our world of pain  
to do what we were meant  
to do in Jesus' name;  
that falls to you and me And all who are made free.**

**Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will today. *(repeat)***

SILENT PRAYERS, THE SENDING FORTH

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

