Vasa Lutheran Church

Season of Creation: River Sunday

Pastor Maureen Hagen Accompanist: Anne Anderson

Sunday, June 30, 2024

ANNOUNCING THE DAY Psalm 104:27-33

L: These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

C: when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

L: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

C: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

L: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works--

C: who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

L: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

C: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity,

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.

L: God, our provider,

C: 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.

L: 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.

HYMN

OH, WORSHIP THE KING

ELW 842

GREETING

L: 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.

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



KYRIE (cont.)



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,





Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY: Gracious God, water is the stuff of life: it brings life and without it we cannot exist. Grant that we will remember this when we see your bow in the clouds just as we remember the salvation your Son, our redeemer, brings to us. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 9:12-17 God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: 13 I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. 14 When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, 15 I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." 17 God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Revelation 22:1-5 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. 3 Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; 4 they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Matthew 28:1-10 After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. 2 And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. 4 For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. 5 But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. 6 He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." 8 So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

LET JUSTICE FLOW LIKE STREAMS

ELW 717

CONFESSION OF FAITH using the words of the 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.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATON: Each petition will end with the words: Lord, in your mercy. Please respond with: **hear our prayer.**

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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

L: Let us share God's peace with one another.

GENEROSITY MOMENT

SENDING HYMN: MY GOD HOW WONDERFUL THOU ART! ELW 863

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

L: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C: Thanks be to God.



Paul Mikaelsen, Jay Mikaelsen, Scott Sorenson, Max Tilderquist, Anne Rathman, Wendy Anderson, Dale Anderson, Lorrie Samuelson, Rosann Pearson, Lynda Rosener Sack, Rodney Nelson and Arleen Stahnke.

Worship Assistants Today:

Usher: Duane Hanson **Reader**: Katie Featherstone **Hospitality:** Audrey Rosener

Worship Assistants Next Week (July 7th)

Usher: volunteer needed

Reader: Mo Hauck Hospitality: Mo Hauck

Comm. Asst. volunteer needed

Parish Pulse:

June 23, 2024

Participating in Worship: 60 Total Offerings:

\$6,135.00

MUSIC FOR JUNE 30, 2024

OH, WORSHIP THE KING

Text: Robert Grant, 1779-1838, alt.
Music: William Croft, 1678-1727

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

Text: Ray Palmer, 1808-1887

Music: Lowell Mason, 1792-1872

LET JUSTICE FLOW LIKE WATERS

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MY GOD, HOW WONDERFUL THOU ART

Text: Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863 Music: *Psalter*, Edinburgh, 1615

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FEED THE FUEL FUND!

Vasa's Fuel fund is getting a little low. Later this summer we will receive our "summer fill" to top off the tanks on the property. If you are able to donate toward this need, it will be gratefully received.



Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary and by the east door. They are there to receive your offering as you enter the sanctuary for worship.

Your help would be appreciated...

To weed-whip the cemetery and church property on Tuesday, evening, July 2nd, beginning at 6pm. If that time isn't convenient for you, feel free to help anytime on Monday (7/1) or Tuesday (7/2). Thanks!

-- The Cemetery Committee