

# Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**TODAY'S THREAD:** *Seek the world's peace - you lose. See God's peace – you've won!*

*STAND as directed*

### OPENING HYMN

**Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke | 453**



1 "Come, fol - low me," the Sav - ior spoke, "All in my  
2 "I am the light; I light the way, A god - ly  
3 "My heart a - bounds in low - li - ness, My soul with  
4 "I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your  
5 Then let us fol - low Christ our Lord And take the



way a - bid - ing. De - ny your - selves; the  
life dis - play - ing. I bid you walk as  
love is glow - ing, And gra - cious words my  
souls' sal - va - tion, Your hearts from ev - 'ry  
cross ap - point - ed And, firm - ly cling - ing



world for - sake; O - bey my call and guid - ing.  
in the day; I keep your feet from stray - ing.  
lips ex - press, With meek - ness o - ver - flow - ing.  
guile to free, From sin and its temp - ta - tion.  
to his Word, In suf - f'ring be un - daunt - ed.



Oh, bear the cross, what - e'er be - tide; Take  
I am the way, and well I show How  
My heart, my mind, my strength, my all To  
I am the ref - uge of the soul And  
For those who bear the bat - tle's strain The



my ex - am - ple for your guide.  
you should jour - ney here be - low.  
God I yield; on him I call.  
lead you to your heav'n - ly goal."  
crown of heav'n - ly life ob - tain.

**M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

### CONFESSION OF SINS

**M:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

*The congregation may be seated or kneel.*

**C:** Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

**M:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C:** Amen.

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

**M:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### SONG OF PRAISE

### Holy God, We Praise Your Name | 278:1, 3, 4

*Te Deum*



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
3 Blest Re - deem - er, vir - gin's Son, O - ver death his  
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;  
vic - t'ry claim - ing, Now as - cend - ed to his throne,  
three we name you; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
Judge and king, his grace pro - claim - ing, O - pens heav'n to  
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, Then, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
all his own. Praise and thanks to God a - lone!  
bend the knee And con - fess the mys - ter - y.

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C:** A - men.

## THE WORD

### FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 28:5-9 EHV

*Prophets promising peace prosper - for a short time. People long for peace and prosperity. Man-made promises create false hope. True and lasting peace comes through trusting the LORD.*

<sup>5</sup> Then the prophet Jeremiah replied to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the House of the LORD. <sup>6</sup> He said, "Amen! May the LORD do that! May the LORD fulfill the words you have prophesied and bring back the vessels of the LORD's house, and may he bring all the exiles back from Babylon to this place. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, listen now to what I have to say in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup> The prophets from ancient times, who came before you and me, prophesied war, famine, and plague against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup> As for the prophet who prophesies peace, only when the word of the prophet actually comes true will that prophet become known as someone whom the LORD has truly sent."

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

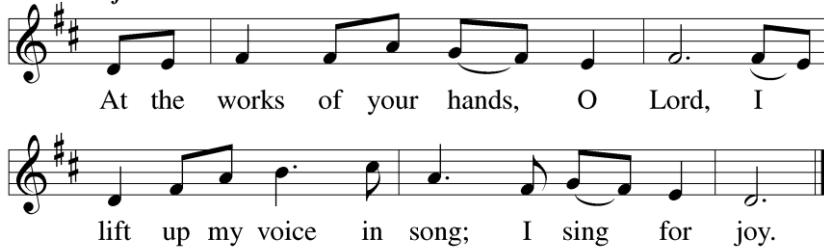
**C:** Thanks be to God.

### PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 89

*The LORD's faithful love draws us to gladly turn our back on sin to walk in his righteousness.*

#### Refrain



#### Psalm tone



I will sing of the LORD's great love forever;\*  
I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

I will declare that your love stands firm forever,\*  
that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD,\*  
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

#### Refrain

O LORD God Almighty, who is like you?\*

You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,\*  
who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.

They rejoice in your name all day long;\*  
they exult in your righteousness.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy Spirit,**  
**as it was in the beginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

#### Refrain

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**SECOND LESSON**

**Romans 6:1b-11 EHV**

*God gives us true peace in baptism. Through baptism, God so completely connected us to Jesus that sin is no longer who we are. We're dead to sin. Baptism is our personal resurrection to new life in Christ.*

<sup>1</sup> Shall we keep on sinning so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup> Absolutely not! We died to sin. How can we go on living in it any longer? <sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were therefore buried with him by this baptism into his death, so that just as he was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too would also walk in a new life.

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be united with him in the likeness of his resurrection.

<sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him, to make our sinful body powerless, so that we would not continue to serve sin. <sup>7</sup> For the person who has died has been declared free from sin. <sup>8</sup> And since we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that since Christ has been raised from the dead, he will never die again. Death no longer has control over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died, he died to sin once and for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup> In the same way also consider yourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**M:** This is the Word of the Lord.

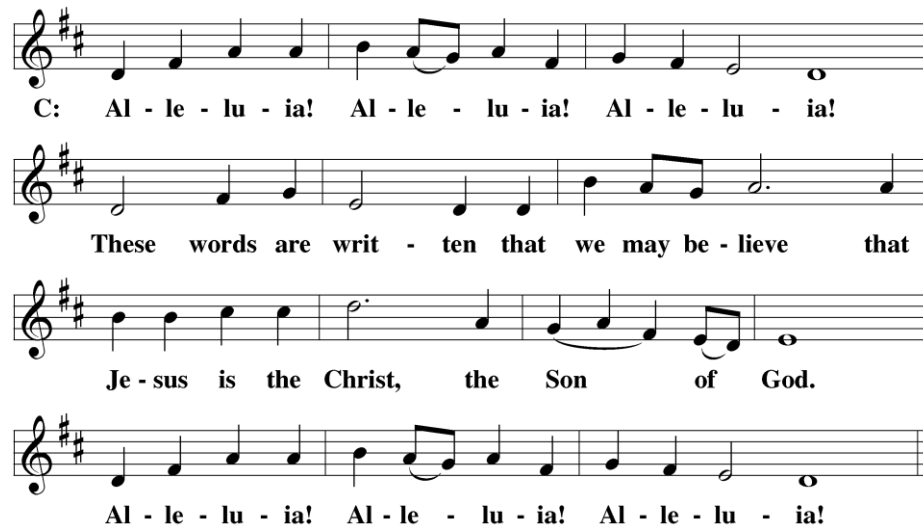
**C:** Thanks be to God.

*STAND*

**VERSE OF THE DAY**

**Mark 8:34b**

Alleluia. If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Alleluia.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**GOSPEL**

**Matthew 10:34-42**

*The peace Jesus brings is with God, not with the world. Those who are hated for loving Jesus love Jesus by loving each other. They are richly rewarded by Jesus.*

**M:** The Gospel, Matthew Chapter 10

<sup>34</sup> “Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to turn

“a man against his father,  
a daughter against her mother,  
a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law—

<sup>36</sup> a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.’

<sup>37</sup> “Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. <sup>38</sup> Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup> Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup>“Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.

<sup>41</sup>Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. <sup>42</sup>And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.”

**M:** This is the Gospel.



**HYMN OF THE DAY** – *From the Christian Worship Supplement*

**God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It | 737**

*BE SEATED as directed*

**SERMON** – *See the separate sheet for the Sermon Road Map.*

*STAND*

### **APOSTLES’ CREED**

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

*BE SEATED*

### **THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERING** – *remain seated*

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR PENTECOST**

**M:** O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

**C:** **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

**M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

**C:** **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

**M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

**C:** **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

**M:** Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

**C:** **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

**M:** Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

**C:** **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

**M:** Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

**C:** **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** ... Lord, in your mercy,

**C:** **Hear our prayer.**

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

**C:** **Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**All:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## STAND

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.





1 Bap - tized in - to your name most ho - ly, O  
 2 My lov - ing Fa - ther, there you took me To  
 3 My faith - ful God, you fail me nev - er; Your  
 4 All that I am and love most dear - ly— Re -



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, I claim a  
 be - hence - forth your child and heir. My faith - ful  
 prom - ise sure - ly will en - dure. Oh, cast me  
 ceive it all, O Lord, from me. Let me con -



place, though weak and low - ly, A - mong your saints, your  
 Sav - ior, there you let me The fruit of all your  
 not a - way for - ev - er If words and deeds be -  
 fess my faith sin - cere - ly And help me your own



cho - sen host, Bur - ied with Christ and dead to  
 sor - rows share. O Ho - ly Spir - it, com - fort  
 come im - pure. Have mer - cy when I come de -  
 child to be! Let noth - ing that I am or



sin. Your Spir - it now shall live with - in.  
 me When threat - 'ning clouds a - round I see.  
 filed; For - give, lift up, re - store your child.  
 own Serve an - y will but yours a - lone.

*Silent prayer*

*Announcements after the close of Service*

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