

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.



Welcome to worship at Oak Grove Lutheran Church.
Please know that you are welcome, no exceptions!

PRELUDE

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 sins.

(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.

GATHERING HYMN #556 "Morning Has Broken"

Morning has broken like the first morning;
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,
Like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning
Born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise ev'ry morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

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 #838 vs. 1, 2 & 4 "Beautiful Savior"

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the flow'rs of spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion.

light of my soul, my joy, my crown,
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing,
 than all the an - gels in the sky,
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

PRAYER of the DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...God of the covenant,

in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PSALM 123

To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O Lord our God, until you show us your mercy.

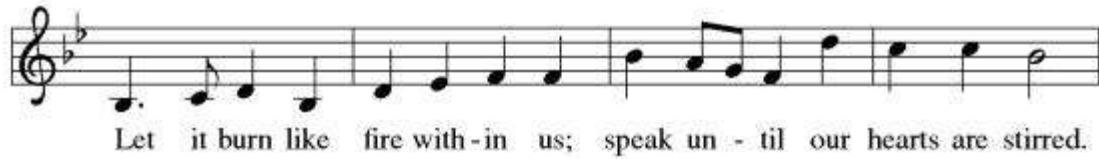
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.

NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows — ⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Word of God, word of life.



Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 6th chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out

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two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE *"Strength in Weakness!"*

HYMN of the DAY #583 *"Take My Life, That I May Be"*

Refrain

***Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord to Thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.***

*Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee. (refrain)*

*Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose. (refrain)*

*Take my will and make it thine;
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is thine own;*

It shall be thy royal throne. (refrain)

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CONFESSION of 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.

PRAYERS of INTERCESSION

Each petition ends with:
*Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***

SHARING of the PEACE

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

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,

you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.

Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us

to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

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GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....we praise you name and join their unending hymn:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavn'ly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

WORDS of INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

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

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LAMB of GOD

**Lamb of God, come take away the sin of all the world today:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us,
Mercy upon us, and give us your peace.**

**Lamb of God, who'd give your soul to see a broken world made whole:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us,
Mercy upon us, and give us your peace.**

**Lamb of God, risen Lord, heal us with your living word:
Have mercy upon us, mercy upon us,
Mercy upon us, and give us your peace.**

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COMMUNING TOGETHER

PRAYER after COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,
**we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to
love the world with you own life.
In your name we pray. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

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

Amen.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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SENDING FORTH HYMN #796 "How Firm a Foundation"

*How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?*

*Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed
For I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

POSTLUDE

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