

## Easter 6 ~ Rogate Sunday, May 17, 2020

*Order of Service, Rite One (Evangelical Lutheran Hymnary, p. 41)*

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### ~Prelude

#### ~Opening Prayer

*(ELH p. 156, #72)*

P: O God, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us, Your humble servants, that by Your holy inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by Your merciful guiding may perform the same: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

#### ~ Hymn 381, vv. 1-3, 6 *Come, My Soul, With All Thy Care*

1. *Come, my soul, with all thy care;  
Jesus loves to answer prayer.  
He Himself has bid thee pray,  
Therefore will not say thee nay.*

3. *With my burden I begin:  
Lord, remove this load of sin;  
Let Thy blood, for sinners spilt,  
Set my conscience free from guilt.*

2. *Thou art coming to a king—  
Large petitions with thee bring,  
For His grace and pow'r are such  
None can ever ask too much.*

6. *Ev'ry hour my strength renew  
By Thy Word and Spirit true.  
Let me live a life of faith;  
Let me die Thy people's death.*

#### ~Confession of Sin — *Admitting our sinfulness to God*

*(ELH p. 41, 1)*

P: Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

#### ~Kyrie Eleison

*(ELH p. 42)*

**C: ♪ O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us. O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us.**

~**Absolution** — *God's declaration of forgiveness*

*(ELH p. 43, II; Matt 11:28, Jn 3:16)*

P: Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

~**Gloria in Excelsis Deo**

*(ELH p. 44)*

P: Glory be to God in the highest

**C: ♪ And on earth peace, good will toward men. All glory be to God on high Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended; God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall dwell on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!**

~**Salutation** — *The people's blessing for the pastor's work*

*(ELH p. 45)*

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And with your spirit.**

~**Collect** — *The congregation's prayer of the day*

*(ELH p. 45; p. 156 #72)*

P: Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You have promised us that whatever we ask in His name You will give us: We beseech You, keep us in Your Word, and grant us Your Holy Spirit, that He may govern us according to Your will; protect us from the power of the devil, from false doctrine and worship; and also defend our lives against all danger. Grant us Your blessing and peace, that we may in all things perceive Your merciful help, and both now and forever praise and glorify You as our gracious Father; through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

~**Men's Choir: Incline Thine Ear, O Lord**

*(Bach/Hebble)*

*O Lord, my God, why hast thou forsaken my soul?*

*O Father, hear my cry.*

*I look to Thee, for Thy word is life, my help in ages past.*

*Hearken to my plea and hear me.*

*Thou art my shepherd, I trust Thee.*

*Into the light of everlasting life will I be guided by Thee*

*And find my peace in all Thou art.*

*Lord, God, Father, guide me –*

*Into the light of everlasting life.*

*Incline Thine ear unto my cry, O Lord.*

### ~Old Testament Lesson

**Jeremiah 29:11-14** For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to give you peace, not disaster, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come to pray to me, and I will listen to you. When you seek me, you will find me, when you will seek me with all your heart. I will let you find me, declares the Lord, and I will bring you back from your exile. I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have sent you as exiles, declares the Lord. I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

### ~Men's Choir: *My God, My Father, While I Stray*

(TLH Hymn 418 vv. 1, 7)

1. *My God, my Father, while I stray  
Far from home on life's rough way,  
Oh, teach me from my heart to say,  
"Thy will be done."*

7. *Renew my will from day to day;  
Blend it with Thine and take away  
All that now makes it hard to say,  
"Thy will be done."*

### ~Epistle Lesson

**James 1:22-27** Be people who do what the word says, not people who only hear it. Such people are deceiving themselves. In fact, if anyone hears the word and does not do what it says, he is like a man who carefully looks at his own natural face in a mirror. Indeed, he carefully looks at himself; then, he goes away and immediately forgets what he looked like. But the one who looks carefully into the perfect law, the law of freedom, and continues to do so—since he does not hear and forget but actually does what it says—that person will be blessed in what he does.

If anyone considers himself to be religious but deceives his own heart because he does not bridle his tongue, this person's religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled in the sight of God the Father is this: to take care of orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

### ~Apostles' Creed — *Confession of faith*

(ELH p. 46)

P: Let us confess our holy faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And 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 shall 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.**

**~Hymn 256, vv. 1-4 *When Afflictions Sore Oppress You***

1. *When afflictions sore oppress you,  
Low with grief and anguish bowed,  
Then to earnest prayer address you;  
Prayer will help you, through the cloud,  
Still to see your Savior near,  
Under ev'ry cross you bear;  
By the light His Word doth lend you,  
Prayer will joy and comfort send you.*

2. *None shall ever be confounded,  
Who in God will freely trust;  
Though they be by woes surrounded,  
God's a Rock to all the just.  
Though you deem He hears you not,  
Still your wants are ne'er forgot;  
Cry to Him when storms assail you,  
Let your courage never fail you.*

3. *Call on God, knock, seek, implore Him,  
'Tis the Christian's noblest skill;  
He who comes with faith before Him  
Meets with help and favor still:  
Who on God most firmly rest  
Are the wisest and the best;  
God will with such strength imbue them,  
Ne'er shall any foe subdue them.*

4. *Learn to mark God's wondrous dealing  
With the people that He loves;  
When His chast'ning hand they're feeling,  
Then their faith the strongest proves.  
God is nigh, and notes their tears,  
Though He answers not, He hears;  
Pray with faith, for though He try you,  
No good thing can God deny you.*

**~Holy Gospel Lesson & Sermon Text**

**Matthew 6:5-13** “Whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites. They love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by people. Amen I tell you: They have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your private room, close your door, and pray to your Father who is unseen. And your Father, who sees what others cannot see, will reward you.

“And when you pray, do not babble like the heathen, since they think that they will be heard because of their many words. However do not be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask him. Therefore pray like this: ‘Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.’

**~Sermon Message**

*“Jesus Wants You To Pray & Teaches You How To”*

**~Hymn 387 *Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire***

1. *Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,  
Unuttered or expressed;  
The motion of a hidden fire  
That trembles in the breast.*

2. *Prayer is the burden of a sigh,  
The falling of a tear,  
The upward glancing of the eye,  
When none but God is near.*

3. *Prayer is the simplest form of speech  
That infant lips can try;  
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach  
The Majesty on high.*

4. *Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,  
The Christian's native air,  
His watchword at the gates of death;  
He enters heav'n with prayer.*

5. *Prayer is the contrite sinner's voice  
Returning from his ways,  
While angels in their songs rejoice  
And cry, "Behold, he prays!"*

6. *O Thou, by whom we come to God,  
The Life, the Truth, the Way!  
The path of prayer Thyself hast trod;  
Lord, teach us how to pray.*

**~The Prayer of the Church**

*(ELH p. 48-49)*

P: Everlasting and merciful God, we beseech You in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**C: To have mercy upon us and to hear our prayer.**

P: Look in mercy upon Your Church. Protect it and sanctify it by Your truth. May Your Word be taught in its purity and Your Sacraments be rightly administered. Grant unto Your Church faithful pastors who shall declare Your truth with power and shall live according to Your will. Send forth laborers into Your harvest and open the door of faith unto all unbelievers and unto the people of Israel. In mercy remember the enemies of Your Church and grant to them repentance unto life.

**C: O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, hear us in the truth of Your salvation.**

P: Let Your protecting hand be over our country and over all who travel. Prosper what is good among us and bring to naught every evil counsel and purpose. Protect and bless Your servants, the President of the United States, the Governor of this state, our judges and magistrates and all in authority. Fit them for their high calling by the gift of Your Spirit of wisdom and fear, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

**C: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy! Lord be our helper.**

P: According to Your promise, O God, be the defender of the widow and the father of the orphan. Relieve and comfort the sick and the sorrowful (especially our brother/sister \_\_\_\_ who is ill/grieving). Graciously help those who are assaulted by the devil and who are in peril of death. Be the strength of those who are suffering for the sake of Christ's holy name. Grant that we may live together in peace and prosperity. Bestow upon us good and seasonable weather; and bless us with upright Christian counsel in all that we undertake.

**C: O Lord, be with all in trouble. Hear their prayers to the honor of Your Name.**

P: We especially commend to Your care and keeping this Your congregation which You have bought with a great price. Keep from us all offenses and bind us together in the unity of Your holy love. Grant that the little ones who are baptized in Your name may be brought up in Your fear. At Your table give to those who there commune with You peace and life everlasting.

**C: Let all rejoice who trust in You; let them shout for joy because You defend them.**

*(Special petitions are included)*

P: In Your mercy look upon.....In Christ's name we pray.

**C: Lord, in Your mercy hear our prayer.**

P: Be merciful, O God, to all, according to Your great love in Christ Jesus, our Lord. When our final hour shall come, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection to Your glory.

**C: Amen. Grant us Your peace, O Lord!**

~Lord's Prayer

*(ELH p. 49; Mt 6:9-13)*

**C: 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.**

~Collect — *In appreciation of God's gifts*

*(ELH p. 58, II)*

P: We thank You, Almighty God, that You have built Your Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the Head Cornerstone. Grant that we may be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable unto You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

**C: ♪ Amen.**

~Benediction — *Final blessing for God's people*

*(ELH p. 59; Num 6:24-26)*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**C: ♪ Amen, amen, amen.**

~Closing Hymn 256, v. 5 *Ponder All God's Truth Can Teach You*

*5. Ponder all God's truth can teach you,  
Let His word your footsteps guide;  
Satan's wiles shall never reach you,  
Though he draw the world aside.  
Lo! God's truth is thy defense,  
Light, and hope, and confidence:  
Trust in God, He'll not deceive you,  
Pray, and all your foes will leave you.*

~Closing Prayer

*(ELH p. 59)*

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

~Postlude

*(See "Prayers for Worship"  
—ELH p. 40)*



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*Preacher: Pastor Luke Ulrich/ Liturgist: Pastor John Petersen  
Organist: Elisabeth Urtel / Men's Choir*  
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**Weekly Financial Update:**

**Given Last Week:** \$32,231.89 (includes on-line giving)  
**Fiscal Year To Date Deficit** (as of 4/30/20): \$54,621.

*Romans 12: 1 Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice—holy and pleasing to God—which is your appropriate worship.*

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*Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

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