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The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

God's Gift Service T August 30, 2020 T 9:00 am

Prelude

Welcome

God Gathers Us in His Name

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Opening Hymn:

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

LSB # 525



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
Whose arm those crim-son tro-phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem. ■■■▶

3. Crown Him the Lord of love.
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
At mysteries so bright.

4. Crown Him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

5. Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.

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God's Gift of Forgiveness

*As God gathers us in worship today the only thing we are able to give Him is our sins,
and out of undeserved love for us God gives us forgiveness.*

*King David wrote in the Psalms: "I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD'
— and You, [O God,] forgave the guilt of my sin."*

Psalm 32:5b NIV

- P Do you confess to Almighty God that you are a poor, miserable sinner who has sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed and therefore justly deserve His present and eternal punishment? If so, answer, "Yes."
- C Yes.
- P Do you believe that our Lord Jesus Christ has lived a holy life, satisfying all the demands of God's holy Law for you, and died, shedding His blood for you upon the cross for the forgiveness of all your sins? If so, answer, "Yes."
- C Yes.
- P Do you ask God, for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter suffering and death of His beloved Son Jesus, to be gracious and merciful to you? If so, answer, "Yes."
- C Yes.

P I have great Good News! Through His holy life and innocent death on the cross, Jesus has satisfied the holy demands of God's Law and has earned forgiveness and eternal life for us. He desires that this gift be delivered to all people. For He told His disciples on Easter evening, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you. ... If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

John 20:21,23 NIV

P Therefore, in the stead and by this command of my Lord, Jesus Christ, and as the called and ordained servant of the Word in this place, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the T Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P You are forgiven! You are set free! You are dearly loved children of God! Together you and I can now raise our voices in thanksgiving and praise to God for His tremendous grace. We can bring Him our fears and hopes, our needs and prayers, with all boldness and confidence as dear children do to their dear Father.

C Amen.

Our Praise in Response to God's Forgiveness:

"Death Was Arrested" *by A. Kersh, B. Coker, P.T. Smith & H. Balltzglie*

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| 1. Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin Lost without hope with no place to begin Your love made a way to let mercy come in When death was arrested & my life began | 2. Ash was redeemed only beauty remains My orphan heart was given a name My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance When death was arrested and my life began |
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Oh, Your grace so free • Washes over me
You have made me new • Now life begins with You

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| 3. Released from my chains I'm a prisoner no more My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore He cancelled my debt And He called me His friend When death was arrested & my life began [Sing Chorus 2:] | 4. Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross Darkness rejoiced as though heaven had lost But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand That's when death was arrested & my life began That's when death was arrested & my life began [Sing Chorus 2:] |
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[Chorus 2]

Oh, Your grace so free • Washes over me
You have made me new • Now life begins with You
It's Your endless love • Pouring down on us
You have made us new • Now life begins with You



*After vs 4 &
Chorus 2 go
to the Bridge*

[Sing the Bridge – twice:]
[Oh,] we're free, free • Forever we're free
Come join the song • Of all the redeemed
Yes, we're free, free • Forever amen
That's when death was arrested and my life began

[Song Ending:]
When death was arrested • And my life began
Yes, when death was arrested • And my life began

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Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray together:

C Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

God's Gift of His Word

*By ourselves we are spiritually dead.
By our own efforts we are unable to create or sustain a relationship with God.
However, out of undeserved love for us, God has made us spiritually alive.
He creates and sustains a relationship with us by way of His Word, the Word of Jesus:
"For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable,
through the living and enduring word of God."*

— 1 Peter 1:23 NIV

Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 15:15-21

ESV

[By the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Prophet Jeremiah writes:]

O Lord, You know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In Your forbearance take me not away; know that for Your sake I bear reproach. Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by Your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because Your hand was upon me, for You had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will You be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail?

Therefore thus says the Lord: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before Me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as My mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading:

Romans 12:9-21

ESV

[By the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Paul writes:]

[The Apostle Paul proceeds to describe what a Christian's life of faith looks like – that is, the living sacrifice of one's body, which is holy and acceptable to God as an act of spiritual worship, in accordance with the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God:] Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord" [Deuteronomy 32:35]. To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head" [Proverbs 25:21, 22]. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

P This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 16:21-28

ESV

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

[By the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Matthew writes:]

From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord! This shall never happen to You."

But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind Me, Satan! You are a hindrance to Me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Then Jesus told His disciples, "If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of His Father, and then He will repay each person according to what He has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to You, O Christ.

Song of the Day:

“Mighty to Save” by Benjamin D. Fielding & Reuben T. Morgan

[Instrumental Introduction]

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| 1. Everyone needs compassion Love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Everyone needs forgiveness The kindness of a Savior The hope of nations <i>[Sing the Chorus:]</i> | 2. So take me as You find me All my fears and failures Fill my life again I give my life to follow Everything I believe in Now I surrender <i>[Sing the Chorus:]</i> |
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[Chorus]

Savior, He can move the mountains
My God is Mighty to save
He is Mighty to save
Forever, Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

[Repeat the Chorus]

[Instrumental Interlude]

[Bridge - part A:]

Shine your light and
let the whole world see:
We're singing for the glory
of the risen King, Jesus!

[Bridge - part B:]

Shine your light and
let the whole world see:
We're singing for the glory
of the risen King!

[Repeat the Chorus – twice]

[Repeat Bridge - part A – three times]

[Ending – Repeat Bridge - part B – once]

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Nicene Creed

P We confess our Christian faith with the words of the Nicene Creed:

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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Our Prayers in Response to God's Word

*Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession.*

*For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.*

*Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

— Hebrews 4:14-16

Prayers of Thanksgiving:

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Prayers for Healing:

- That God would bless Ryan and Melissa Pillack with children.
- For Tom Ruhberg, 91 year old uncle of Sue Barlow.
- For Beverly Wolfe, Gary Knapp's mother-in-law, who is in hospice care with cancer.
- For Ron Maly; Lucas McNeeley; Ian Thompson; Dale Foltman; Joan Koch's brother, Bill; John Light's girlfriend; Dale Curtice; David West; Joan Erickson; Debbie Holseid; Gretchen Versteeg; Michael Sturgeon; Doug Burke; Kathryn Sprecher; & Pastor Jim Stogdill.
- Those infected with COVID-19.

Prayers for Comfort in Grief:

- Maxine, the mother of Christine Ryerson (*member and MtO Jr Hi teacher*), has a brain tumor and appears to be approaching the end of her earthly life – that the Lord's will is done, that Maxine's last days are peaceful, that she looks forward in faith to being received into her Savior Jesus' presence, and that Christine and her family members are protected by the Lord's angels as they travel to be with Maxine.
- Aaron Powell (*member and MtO music teacher*) and his extended family as they grieve the death of his uncle, Walter "Bud" Jungbluth.

Prayer for Relief from the COVID-19 pandemic and all its resultant consequences, especially as it impacts schools in the Des Moines Metro area and around the State of Iowa.

Prayer for Blessings and Guidance for ALL schools – Administrators, teachers, staff, students and families as they seek to safely begin school during these days.

Prayer for Help with the damage & other consequences of the Derecho "Iowa Hurricane" 8/10.

Prayer for Protection of & Provision for members of the MtO Lutheran faith community, both congregation & school, who are continuing to “shelter in place” in view of the pandemic.

Prayer for Christians around the world who are being persecuted and even martyred for the sake of Jesus’ name and the Christian Faith. Blessings on proclaimers of the Gospel.

Prayers for our Country and its Leaders: In view of...

- the pandemic;
- civil unrest;
- the approaching campaign and election.

Prayers for Mt. Olive and its Ministries:

- Mt. Olive Lutheran School – Administrators, Teachers, Staff, Students & Families as the year has begun and continues – that God would keep everyone safe and healthy and focused on learning.
- God’s guidance & blessings on our church leadership as they faithfully serve the congregation & school, and that others would be prayerfully led to join them in the Lord’s service.
- That God would show each of us ways to pray for and to reach out to others in Jesus’ name where we live, work, and play.

The prayers, silent or spoken, will be prayed now. Each prayer will end with:

P ...Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into Your loving hands, dear Lord, we place everyone and everything for which we’ve prayed.

We trust You to answer our prayers according to Your mercy in the way that is best for us.

We pray this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Our Offerings in Response to God’s Word

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich. ...

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

– 2 Corinthians 8:9; 9:15 NIV

To maximize health & safety for everyone, offering plates will not be passed during the service.

You are encouraged to place your tithes and offerings in the plate on a stand at the door to the worship area either as you enter or leave the Divine Service.

We thank God for your ongoing generosity in supporting

His work at Mt. Olive during this challenging time.

God's Gift of His Supper

Out of undeserved love for us, God has made us spiritually alive & a part of His family.

The relationships within our earthly families are strengthened through shared meals.

Even more so is our relationship with God and one another strengthened by a meal:

“Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ?

Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread.”

– 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 NNAS

An Explanation of the Supper

Lord's Prayer

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

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.

Jesus' Words Instituting His Supper

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The Peace of the Lord

P Together, in, with, and under the bread and wine, this is the very body and blood of our crucified but risen Savior, Jesus Christ, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; therefore, the peace of the Lord is with you always.

C Amen.

God Gives Us the Gift of Jesus' Body and Blood

Jesus has said "This is My Body, this is My Blood, given and shed for YOU for the Forgiveness of Sins."

*During the singing of the following hymn,
the communion elements will be brought to you where you are seated.*

*The communion wafer will be given to you in a cup. The wine will be given to you in another cup.
After eating and drinking place both of the empty cups in the container presented to you.*

Distribution Hymn: "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

LSB # 618



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

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The Dismissal

P Now may this True Body and True Blood of Jesus, our crucified but risen Savior, strengthen and preserve each of you in the True Faith from now until our Lord returns. His Peace is with you. Your sins have been forgiven indeed!

C Amen.

Final Prayer

P Let us pray:

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, grant
that our lips which have here sung Your praise may now glorify You in the world;
that our ears which have heard the voice of our Shepherd through Your Word
may now be closed to the clamorous voice of Satan and the world;
that our eyes which have seen Your great love may also behold Your blessed hope;
that our tongues which have confessed Your name may ever speak the truth; and
that our bodies which have tasted of Your Son's Body and Blood
may be restored to newness of life through faith in Him.

This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Blessing

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His Face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give T you His peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

Closing Song:

"My Lighthouse"

by Rend Collective

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| 1. In my wrestling and in my doubts In my failures You won't walk out Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea Woh! You are the peace in my troubled sea | 2. In the silence, You won't let go In the questions, Your truth will hold Your great love will lead me through You are the peace in my troubled sea Woh! You are the peace in my troubled sea |
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[Chorus:]

My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness. I will follow You
Oh, my Lighthouse, my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to sho - - - re
Safe to sho - - - re, Safe to sho - - - re
Safe to shore ■■■▶

3. I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning, I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea
Woh!
You are the peace in my troubled sea

[Repeat the Chorus – see below]

[Bridge]

Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms
Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms
Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms
Fire before us, You're the brightest
You will lead us through the storms

[Chorus:]

My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse
Shining in the darkness. I will follow You
Oh, my Lighthouse, my Lighthouse
I will trust the promise
You will carry me safe to sho - - - re
Safe to sho - - - re, Safe to sho - - - re
Safe to shore

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Announcements & Postlude *Please, fill out a Familiar, Favorite Hymn & Song Sheet.*

The Schedule of the upcoming Services for the next 2 months is on the BACK of the Bulletin!

For your convenience, here is the Service Schedule between today and the end of October:

| Week | Date | Week | Date |
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| 1. | Saturday, September 5, at 5:00 pm | 2. | Sunday, September 13, at 9:00 am |
| 3. | Saturday, September 19, at 5:00 pm | 4. | Sunday, September 27, at 9:00 am |
| 5. | Saturday, October 3, at 5:00 pm | 6. | Sunday, October 11, at 9:00 am |
| 7. | Saturday, October 17, at 5:00 pm | 8. | Sunday, October 25, at 9:00 am |

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