EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pentecost, June 8, 2025

Praise Worship
Far Hills Campus 9:00 AM, Austin Campus 10:30 AM* (*Livestreamed)

Gather

GATHERING SONG: YOUR GRACE IS ENOUGH

Great is your faithfulness oh God You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart You lead us by still waters and to mercy And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus: So remember your people
Remember your children
Remember your promise oh God

Chorus: Your grace is enough, your grace is enough Your grace is enough for me

Great is your love and justice God of Jacob You use the weak to lead the strong You lead us in the song of your salvation And all your people sing along

Chorus2: Your grace is enough, Heaven reaching down to us Your grace is enough for me

God I see your grace is enough, I'm covered in your love Your grace is enough for me, for me

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

SHARING THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

SONG OF PRAISE: WHO YOU SAY I AM

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me I was lost but he brought me in Oh his love for me, oh his love for me

Chorus: Who the Son sets free oh is free indeed I'm a child of God, yes I am

Free at last he has ransomed me, his grace runs deep While I was a slave to sin Jesus died for me, yes he died for me

Chorus2: In my Father's house there's a place for me I'm a child of God, yes I am

Bridge: I am chosen not forsaken
I am who you say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who you say I am (Repeat)

I am who you say I am

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Word

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

FIRST READING: GENESIS 11:1-9

¹ Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

A: The word of the Lord.C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING: FROM PSALM 104

A: How manifold are your works, O Lord!

C: In wisdom you have made them all;

A: the earth is full of your creatures.

C: You send forth your Spirit, and they are created.

A: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

C: O Lord, rejoice in all your works.

A: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

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

A: May these words of mine please God.

C: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: ACTS 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares,

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The holy gospel according to St. John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 14:8-17,25-26

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

(9:00) APOSTLES' CREED

A: Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: 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.

(10:30) **NICENE CREED**

A: Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SONG OF THE DAY: REST ON US

As the Spirit was moving over the water Spirit come move over us

Come rest on us

Come rest on us

Chorus: Come down Spirit When you move

You make my heart pound
When you fill the room
You're here and I know you are moving
I'm here and I know you will fill me

Fire and wind come and do it again
Open up the gates
Let Heaven on in
Come rest on us
Come rest on us

Holy Spirit come rest on us You're all we want You're all we want

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (after each petition...)

A: Lord, in your mercy,C: hear our prayer.

Meal

OFFERING: SOMEBODY LIKE ME

I'm the child of a loving Father I'm a part of the family His mercy is sweet like summer And he's always welcoming

So if you feel like you're going under Come and fall on amazing grace He's the God who can walk on water And his love can change

Chorus: Somebody like me
Somebody like you
You come as you are
And you leave brand new

If you're feeling broken Running out of hope then Just look how his love set free Somebody like me

Somebody like me should be buried under all my mistakes Six feet under what I've done But now I'm covered by the weight of his grace Hallelujah for the blood that saves

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OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy...join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe...
- P: With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: O God of resurrection and new life:
 Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
 Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.
- P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
 Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us.
 Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit.
- P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

If you are unable to attend worship due to health concerns, please contact the church office to be included on the homebound list.

Christ welcomes you to the meal of grace! All who desire to receive Christ's nourishment and grace may join us at the Lord's Table. (9:00) Please come to the table by the diagonal aisle and return to your seat by the center or a front aisle. Communion is by intinction; dip the wafer in the red wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available at the front of the center aisle. (10:30) Please come to the table by the center aisle and return to your seat by the front or side aisle. Communion is by intinction; dip the bread in the red wine or white grape juice. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION SONG: HOLY SPIRIT

There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
No thing can compare
You're our living hope
Your presence

I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
When my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
In your presence Lord

Chorus: Holy Spirit you are welcome here
Come flood this place
And fill the atmosphere

Your glory God is what Our hearts long for To be overcome by Your presence Lord Your presence Lord

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: GLORIOUS DAY

I: I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til met you

2: I was breathing but not alive All my failures I tried to hide It was my tomb 'til I met you

Chorus: You called my name and I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into your glorious day

3: Now your mercy has saved my soul Now your freedom is all that I know The old made new Jesus when I met you

Bridge: I needed rescue, my sin was heavy

But chains break at the weight of your glory

I needed shelter, I was an orphan Now you call me a citizen of Heaven

When I was broken you were my healing Now your love is the air that I'm breathing

I have a future, my eyes are open 'Cause when...

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SENDING

A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new.

C: Thanks be to God.

Serving in Worship

Far Hills Campus 9:00 AM

Presiding Minister: Pastor Corey Wagonfield

Pianist: John Benjamin
Lay Reader: Donna Cooper

Austin Campus 10:30 AM

Presiding Minister: Pastor Julie Reuning-Scherer

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