

EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH
6th Sunday after Pentecost, July 20, 2025
Praise Worship
Far Hills Campus 9:00 AM, Austin Campus 10:30 AM

Gather

GATHERING SONG: *GREAT THINGS*

Come let us worship our King
Come let us bow at his feet
He has done great things

See what our Savior has done
See how his love overcomes
He has done great things
He has done great things

Chorus: Oh hero of Heaven you conquer the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
Oh God you have done great things

We dance in your freedom, awake and alive
Oh Jesus our Savior, your name lifted high
Oh God you have done great things

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things

And I know you will do it again
For your promise is "Yes and Amen"
You will do great things
God you do great things (*Chorus*)

(continued)

Bridge: Hallelujah God above it all
Hallelujah God unshakable
Hallelujah you have done great things (*Repeat*)
You've done great things (*Chorus*)

You have done great things
Oh God you do great things

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

(silence for reflection)

P: Merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith.
In the cross of ✠ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P: We have been forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ our Savior.
Therefore, let us be reconciled to each other and share the peace of the Lord.
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

SONG OF PRAISE: CORNERSTONE

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

Chorus: Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm he is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide his face
I rest on his unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil (*Chorus*)

He is Lord, Lord of all (*Chorus 2X*)

When he shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in him be found
Dressed in his righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Word

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:1-10

¹ The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹ They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” ^{10a} Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.”

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

¹⁵ [Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation,¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel.

²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 10:38-42

³⁸ Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

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.**

SONG OF THE DAY: *LORD, I NEED YOU*

Lord I come, I confess
Bowing here, I find my rest
Without you, I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus: Lord I need you, oh I need you
Every hour I need you
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God how I need you

Where sin runs deep, your grace is more
Where grace is found is where you are
And where you are Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me
Yes where you are Lord, I am free
Holiness is Christ in me (*Chorus*)

Bridge: So teach my song to rise to you
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you
Jesus you're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you
Jesus you're my hope and stay (*Chorus 2X*)

My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God how I need you

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

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

M e a l

OFFERING: *THE HEART OF WORSHIP*

When the music fades
All is stripped away and I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless your heart

Pre-Chorus: I'll bring you more than a song
For a song in itself is not what you have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

Chorus: I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about you, it's all about you Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about you, it's all about you Jesus

King of endless worth
No one could express how much you deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is yours
Every single breath (*Pre-Chorus, Chorus*)

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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, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and 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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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: 10,000 REASONS

Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul
Worship his holy name
Sing like never before, oh my soul
I worship your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes (*Chorus*)

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger
Your name is great and your heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (*Chorus*)

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore (*Chorus*)

Yes I will worship your holy name
Lord I'll worship your holy name

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

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BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: *TODAY IS THE DAY*

I'm casting my cares aside, I'm leaving my past behind
I'm setting my heart and mind on you Jesus
I'm reaching my hands to yours, believing there's so much more
Knowing that all you have in store for me is good, it's good

Chorus: Today is the day you have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day you have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm trusting in what you say
Today is the day, today is the day

I'm putting my fears aside, I'm leaving my doubts behind
I'm giving my hopes and dreams to you Jesus
I'm reaching my hands to yours, believing there's so much more
Knowing that all you have in store for me is good, it's good (*Chorus*)

Bridge: I will stand upon your truth
And all my days I'll live for you (*Repeat*)

Chorus 2: Today is the day you have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
Today is the day you have made
I will rejoice and be glad in it
And I won't worry about tomorrow
I'm giving you my fears and sorrows
Where you lead me I will follow
I'm trusting in what you say

Today is the day (5X)

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SENDING

L: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God.

Serving in Worship

Far Hills Campus 9:00 AM

Presiding Minister:	Pastor Julie Reuning-Scherer
Assisting Minister:	Steve Lubbers
Praise Team:	Doug Day, Ned Greene, Carlin Heimann, Emily Hendrickson, Bill Norman, Anastasia Rodgers, Erika & Scott Watamaniuk
Sound:	Ted Meyer
Ushers:	Kevin Carlson, Ryan Helbach
Communion:	Pam Lubbers, The Stoller Family

Austin Campus 10:30 AM

Presiding Minister: Pastor Corey Wagonfield
Assisting Minister: Natalie Heimann
Praise Team: Doug Day, Ned Greene, Carlin Heimann,
Emily Hendrickson, Bill Norman, Anastasia Rodgers,
Erika & Scott Watamaniuk
Sound: Ted Meyer
Stream Team: Scott Haligowski, Ryan Pearson
Ushers: Jill Frost, Dale Rethlake
Communion: Diana & Reid Pearson