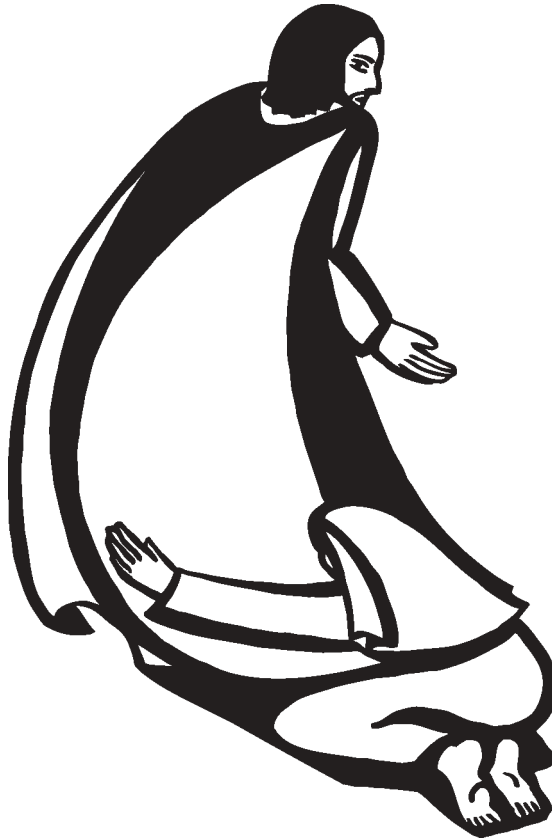


CREATED, SAVED AND GIFTED BY GOD
WE ARE CALLED TO SEEK,
SERVE AND SHARE JESUS CHRIST



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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST [PROPER 5]
SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2005 - 5:30 PM
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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST [PROPER 5]

The weeks of summer coincide with the beginning of the season after Pentecost. Summer brings sunny warmth, growing crops, and the promise of harvest: images of the Holy Spirit's presence and activity in our lives, the church, and the world. In our life together as a community of faith, what needs light, warmth, and watering to grow and flourish? How might we be attentive to others' needs to receive this nourishment through God's words of life and holy supper?

Today the church remembers Boniface, a native of England who helped to bring Christianity to Germany in the eighth century and became archbishop of Mainz.

Saturday, June 4, 2005

5:30 p.m. Worship

First Resort

Abraham Lincoln once said, "I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go." It must have taken great humility for the leader of the synagogue in today's Gospel story to seek the help of the man he had considered a heretic. But he had nowhere else to go.

Consider also the risk taken by the woman suffering from hemorrhages. Considered ritually unclean, she would have been avoided by others at all cost. It took great courage for her to enter the company of Jesus and the others. Instead of a cure, she might logically have expected a sharp rebuke. But the woman had suffered for 12 years. She had tried everything and had nowhere else to go.

Jesus' actions that day show us a great deal about God's love and compassion for us. The leader of the synagogue was part of the organized opposition to Jesus and his teachings, yet Jesus showed compassion and raised his daughter from the dead. The suffering woman was unclean and an outcast, but Jesus was moved by compassion to heal her as well. Clearly, thankfully, God's love is not limited to those who "deserve" it. God is moved to compassion by the suffering of all sinners, regardless of their situation.

Jesus says, "Your faith has made you well." Despite this reassurance, we sometimes wait until we have tried everything else before bringing our problems to Jesus. Perhaps another message of this story is that, like the religious leader and the suffering woman, we must realize and accept that so many things are not within human control. Are we bold enough to take the risk of bringing our troubles, no matter what they are, to the only one who can heal, comfort, and guide us?

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** Stand if you are able.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (spoken)

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Let us seek the face of God, confessing our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Holy God,

we have sinned against you and each other. We pray for your forgiveness and healing. The good we want to do, we often fail to do. The evil we do not want, we find ourselves doing. Deliver us, O God, save us from shame, and guide us in your way. Amen.

Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us; and God raised him up from death so that we too might walk in newness of life. Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through + Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

GATHERING

** HYMN 543 LBW (green hymnal)

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER

Setting by Marty Haugen

1. SERVICE OF LIGHT

Procession

Leader:



Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:



the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

Leader:

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:

and the day is almost over.

Leader:

Let your light scatter the darkness,

All:

and shine within your people here. —

Evening Hymn

All: a tempo

1. Joy-ous light of heav-'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav-en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry

glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle

sto - ry, shine on ev 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y

eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our



you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
 soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
 way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us

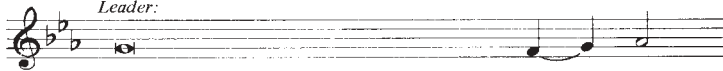


light our hearts a - new. _____
 free and make us whole. _____
 on to end - less day. _____

Evening Thanksgiving



Leader: May God be with you all, and al - so with you;
All:



Leader: Let us sing our thanks to — God,



All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRAYER (sung)

Blessed are you, Creator of the universe, from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

Amen.

**** PRAYER OF THE DAY (spoken)**

Let us pray.

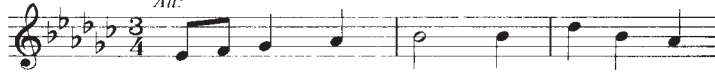
O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

PSALMODY (sung)

Psalm 141

All:



Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be -



fore you, the lift-ing up of my



hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

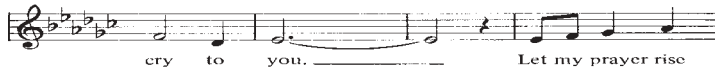
Cantor and Congregation (Chancel choir sings echo):



O God, I call to you, come to me



now; O hear my voice when I



cry to you. Let my prayer rise



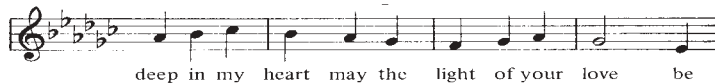
up like in cense be - fore you, the



lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to



you. Keep watch with - in me, God;



deep in my heart may the light of your love be



burn - ing bright. Let my prayer rise



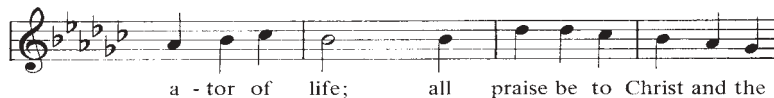
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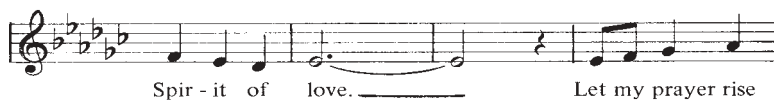
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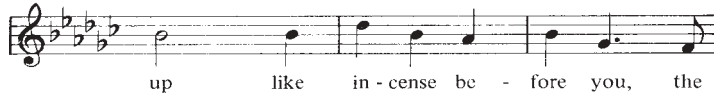
you. All praise to the God of all- Cre-



a - tor of life; all praise be to Christ and the



Spir - it of love. Let my prayer rise



FIRST READING

Hosea 5:15-6:6

A reading from Hosea.

Because God's people have trusted in military powers and not God, today's reading begins with the surprising declaration that God will withdraw from Israel and Judah. Perhaps then, the people will recognize their sin and repent. God does not desire pious prayers apart from a life of committed action that results in the living out of the covenant.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 4:13-25

A reading from Romans.

In his letter to the Romans, Paul develops the idea that people are made right with God through faith rather than obedience to the law. To illustrate, he uses here the example of Abraham, whose trust in God's promise is what marks him as righteous.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**** GOSPEL VERSE** (spoken)

Alleluia. In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. Alleluia. (2 Cor. 5:19)

**** HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew's gospel presents Jesus as a healer of the sick and sinful. Through him, God's mercy overcomes exclusivism, prejudice, disease, and even death.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Moments of Grace

Pastor Prochaska

**** HYMN 784 WOV (blue hymnal)**

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

**** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (spoken)**

Prayers are included for the whole Church, the nations, those in need, the parish and special concerns. The minister gives thanks for the faithful departed, especially for those who recently have died.

Rejoicing in Christ's victory over death and his glorious resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God of new life, **hear our prayer.**

With heaven and earth and all creation, we offer our prayers in the name of the one who conquered death to give us eternal life and joy, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**** PEACE (sharing together the Peace of the Lord.)**

MEAL

OFFERTORY

(Please place your offering in the offering basket located on the shelf in the Narthex. Thank you.)

**** GREAT THANKSGIVING (spoken)**

(Please gather around the Communion Rail with your green hymnal.)

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 him thanks and praise.

**** LORD'S PRAYER** (spoken) (personal option - holding hands)

Let us pray.

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.

DIALOG AND THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

HOLY COMMUNION - Receiving the Lord's Tangible Presence

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ shed for you. Communicant may say **Amen**.

BLESSING (spoken)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen**.

**** BLESSING** (sung)

The image shows three staves of musical notation for a sung blessing. The first staff is for the Leader and All, with lyrics: "Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you." The second staff is for the Presider, with lyrics: "May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may". The third staff continues the lyrics: "Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the". The music is in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a 3/4 time signature.

Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for
all of our days.
A - men.

** HYMN 558 LBW (green hymnal) (vs. 1-3, 6)

Earth and All Stars!

POSTLUDE

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O LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

Praise & Thanksgiving to God For
The people and friends of Good Shepherd
Cathy & Dan Smith, missionaries in Tanzania
Bishop Mark S. Hanson, Presiding Bishop, ELCA, Chicago
Bishop Callon W. Halloway Jr., Bishop Southern Ohio Synod, ELCA, Columbus
Companion Synods: East of Lake Victoria Diocese, Tanzania, East Africa
and Evangelical Church of Mecklenburg, Germany

HOSPITALIZED

Lynn Stutrud, at Grandview Hospital
Carol Brayton, at Sycamore Hospital

GOD'S PRESENCE & STRENGTH FOR

Hazel Reel	Dudley Loomis
Ruth Lackey	Janice, Jim, & Bobbie, on the death of their father
Phil Glover	Chris
Morgan	Roberta
Kathy Seim, thanksgiving for good test results	Ardith Hurst & Roger Bauser, who retire this week from the Kettering School district
Darren	Chris
Lygia Harrison, cancer & chemotherapy	Good Shepherd Preschool, whose last day is June 1, 2005
Harold DeVilbiss, who began chemotherapy on March 4	Bonnie & Red
Kim, a young mother, who has brain cancer	Grace
Bridget Quattrucci & family (Jeff & Sheila Stutrud's daughter), who is having twins & having problems with the pregnancy	Mary
Charlotte Nelson, who has cancer	Randy Wright
Bob Hoffman, who has colon cancer	The family Lynn Stevens, son deployed this week
Ann Moss	Jack & Francis on the death of their son
Donald & Ann	All graduates, especially high school graduates
Steve Kiser	All teachers, staff, & students, who are ending the school year
Jean	All men & women who have served & continue to serve our country in the military services, especially all who have given their lives in service for our country
Kim Bauser, graduating from Centre College	
Sally & Glen	
Aunt Mary	

**June 5, 2005 – Third Sunday After Pentecost [Proper 5]
Prayers Received May 29, 2005 – Second After Pentecost [Proper 4]**

**Please take this home and use it daily to remember in prayer
those who are near and dear to the Good Shepherd Community of Faith**

Please email Sheila or Jeff Stutrud with your prayer requests at prayers@goodshepherdkettering.com