



Emmanuel
LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

9:00 AM Sunday Worship, July 26, 2020

The 8th Sunday After Pentecost

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna, VA

Pre-Recorded Worship Stream at www.facebook.com/elcvienna





Introduction

As Solomon prays for wisdom, we seek to more deeply know the treasures of faith. In today's gospel Jesus offers everyday images that reveal to us the reign of God: a tree that becomes a sheltering home, yeast that penetrates and expands, a treasured pearl, a net that gains a great catch. Even as we seek the riches of God's reign, the great surprise is that God's grace finds us first!

Gathering: The Holy Spirit Gathers Us in Worship

Welcome

A Prayer for Healing

Pastor: In this time of pandemic and racial tensions, let us pray...

A moment of silence for reflection.

Pastor: From a world-wide pandemic of the coronavirus disease: from fevers and difficulty breathing, from sickness and dying, from fear and worry, from stress and weariness, from isolation and loneliness, from uncertainty and loss

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: From the sin of racism and injustice: from white supremacy and racist rhetoric, from personal and systemic racism, from white privilege and race bias, from police brutality and political provocateurs, from violence and riots, from destruction and death

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: We are all ages and all colors, all genders and all creeds. We are all your children. For our families and friends, all communities and all nations, for all our neighbors, we pray

All: heal us, O Lord.

Pastor: Almighty God, we believe in your healing and forgiveness. We believe in your love and new life. And so, in faith and hope, in Jesus' name we pray

All: heal us, O Lord. Amen.



Prelude

I Won't Walk By

Geoff Pemble

Words and Music by Geoff Pemble ©2020

Verse 1:

Stranger there on the side of the road Looks like he needs help
He cries out loud but no one seems to hear Two pass by and look away
Afraid to lend a hand
What will all the others think of me?
Oh . . .

Chorus:

But I won't walk by
I'll be the kind of person Jesus taught me to be
No I won't walk by
Don't you know when you're in trouble you can count on me
No I won't walk by
I'm the help you're waiting on
I'm right here
Your Good Samaritan

Verse 2:

After school on the playground field One kid stands alone
A bully's making fun of him again Most other kids they laugh and play
They don't want to be the one To step out of the crowd and be a friend
No no . . .

Back to Chorus

Invocation

Pastor: We are gathered to worship in the name of the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Opening Song

Love The Lord



Love The Lord

Words and Music by
Lincoln Brewster

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VERSE 1 & 2

G D Em⁷ G/B

1. Love the Lord, _ your God, with all _ your heart, with all _ your soul, _ with all _ your mind, .
2. I will serve _ the Lord with all _ my heart, with all _ my soul, _ with all _ my mind, .

3 C²(no3) D G D C²(no3)

_ and with all _ your strength; _
_ and with all _ my strength; _

5 G D Em⁷ G/B

Love the Lord, _ your God, with all _ your heart, with all _ your soul, _ with all _ your mind, .
I will serve _ the Lord with all _ my heart, with all _ my soul, _ with all _ my mind, .

CHORUS 1 & 2

7 C²(no3) D G G/C

_ and with all _ your strength. With all _ your heart, _ with all _ your soul, .
_ and with all _ my strength; With all _ my heart, _ with all _ my soul, .

10 D C²/E D/F#

_ with all _ your mind, _ with all _ your strength; _
_ with all _ my mind, _ with all _ my strength; _



Love The Lord - 2

13 G D Em⁷ G/B

Love the Lord, _ your God, with all _ your heart, with all _ your soul, _ with all _ your mind, .
I will serve _ the Lord, with all _ my heart, with all _ my soul, _ with all _ my mind, .

15 C^{2(no3)} D G D C^{2(no3)} G D

1. INSTRUMENTAL 1

_ and with all _ your strength. _
_ and with all _ my strength. _

18 Em⁷ G/B C^{2(no3)} D

2. INSTRUMENTAL 2

20 G D C G

22 G/C

24 Em⁷

26 G/C



BRIDGE

29 G G/C Em⁷

I ___ will love ___ You; (I ___ will love ___ You;) I ___ will

34 G/C G

praise ___ You; (I ___ will praise ___ You;) I ___ will serve ___ You;

39 G/C Em⁷

(I ___ will serve ___ You;) I ___ will trust ___ You,

CHORUS 3

43 G/C D D^{sus} G/C

Lord. ___ (I ___ will trust ___ You.) With all ___ my heart, ___ with all ___ my soul, .

46 D C²/E D/F#

___ with all ___ my mind, ___ with all ___ my strength; ___ With all ___ my heart, .

49 G/C D C²/E

___ with all ___ my soul, ___ with all ___ my mind, ___ with all ___ my strength; .



Love The Lord - 4

52 D/F# G D

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart,

54 Em7 G/B C²(no3) D

with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength;

56 G D C²(no3) G D

I will love You, Lord, with all my heart,

58 Em7 G/B C²(no3) D G

with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.



Confession & Forgiveness

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

All: Amen.

Pastor: Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin. Reconciling God,

All: we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Pastor: Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

All: Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Praise

Glory To God- WOV 5 with organ



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



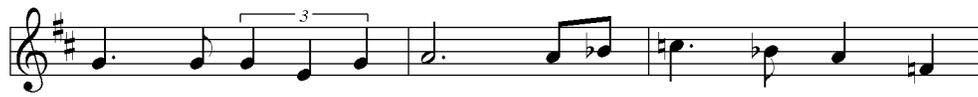
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re-ceive our prayer.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.

I
II For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.

☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Beloved and sovereign God, through the death and resurrection of your Son you bring us into your kingdom of justice and mercy. By your Spirit, give us your wisdom, that we may treasure the life that comes from Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.



Word: God Speaks to Us in Scriptures and Prayer

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5-12

Because Solomon did not ask for long life, riches, or the defeat of his enemies, God gave him what he asked for: wisdom to govern the people well.

Reader: ⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." ⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Psalm 119:129-136

When your word is opened, it gives light and understanding. (Ps. 119:130)

Reader: ¹²⁹Your decrees are wonderful;
therefore I obey them with all my heart.

**All: ¹³⁰When your word is opened it gives light;
it gives understanding to the simple.**



Reader: ¹³¹I open my mouth and pant
because I long for your commandments.

**All: ¹³²Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as you always do to those who love your name.**

Reader: ¹³³Order my footsteps in your word;
let no iniquity have dominion over me.

**All: ¹³⁴Rescue me from those who oppress me,
and I will keep your commandments.**

Reader: ¹³⁵Let your face shine upon your servant
and teach me your statutes.

**All: ¹³⁶My eyes shed streams of tears,
because people do not keep your teaching.**

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-39

These words celebrate the depth of God's actions for us. Through Christ's death for us and the activity of the Spirit praying for us, we are fused to God's love poured out in Jesus Christ. Nothing, not even death itself, is able to separate us from such incredible divine love.

Reader: ²⁶The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long;



and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

³³He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

All: Praise to you, O Christ!

A Word

“The Kingdom of Heaven Is Like...” based on Matthew 13 by Pastor Prinsen

Hymn of the Day

Be Thou My Vision

ELW # 793



Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860-1935, alt.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880-1931
Music: SLANE, Irish traditional

Apostles' Creed

Leader: We proclaim our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**All: 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Leader: Merciful God, your reign is revealed to us in common things: a mustard shrub, a woman baking bread, a fishing net. Help your church witness to the surprising yet common ways you encounter us in daily life. Bless us in our search for a pastor for evangelism and mission. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: When your word is opened, it gives light and understanding. Increase our understanding and awe of your creation; guide the work of scientists and researchers. Treasuring the earth, may we live as grateful and healing caretakers of our home. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: As the birds of the air nest in branches of trees, gather the nations of the world into the welcoming shade of your merciful reign. Direct leaders of nations to build trust with each other and walk in the way of peace. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.



Leader: Your Spirit helps us in our weakness and intercedes for the saints according to your will. Help us when we do not know how to pray. Give comfort to the dying, refuge to the weary, justice to those who are oppressed, and healing to the sick. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: You show steadfast love and direct us to ask of you what we need. Help this congregation ask boldly for what is most needed. Refresh us with new dreams of being your people in this place and time. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: Merciful God, you give healing. Bless the life-giving efforts of all medical professionals during this coronavirus pandemic. Protect them and give them wisdom, strength, and endurance. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: In you our lives are never lost. Strengthen us by the inspiring witness of your people in all times and places. Embolden our witness now and one day gather us with all your saints in light. Lord, in your mercy,

All: hear our prayer.

Leader: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Offering

Offerings in support of our mission and ministry can be made at www.elcvienna.org/give or mailed into the church. Thank you for your generosity!

Offertory

“Adagio” from Sonata No. 1 in G Minor (BWV 1001)

J.S. Bach

Alyssa Kim, violin

Peace

Pastor: Family of God in Christ, the peace of the Risen Lord be with you always!



All: And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Sending: The Holy Spirit Leads Us in Mission to the World

Announcements

Blessing

Pastor: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus. God the creator, † Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

All: Amen.

Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

ELW # 631



Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887



Sending

Pastor: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Prelude No. 1 in C Minor, Op. 37 No. 1
Bartholdy

Felix Mendelssohn-

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worship will resume in August 2020.

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God bless you!