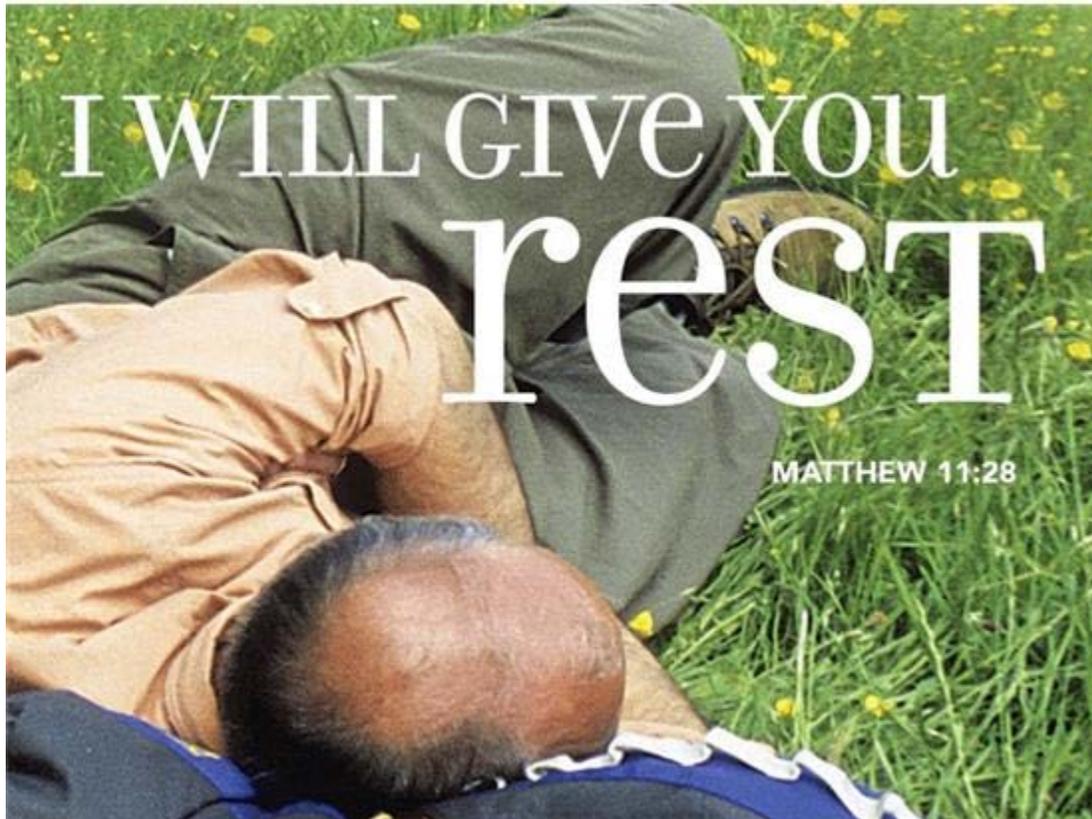


**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
ELW Holy Communion Setting One  
Sunday, July 5, 2020



**All Saints Lutheran Church, ELCA**

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## **Introduction to the day**

The mystery of God's ways is sometimes hidden from the wise and intelligent. Jesus associates with those often excluded from the religious community. Like Paul, we struggle with our own selfish desires and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. We gather to be refreshed by Christ's invitation: "Come to me, all you that are weary." Gathered around word, water, and meal, we find rest for our souls.

## **---GATHERING---**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**NARTHEX TIME**

**9:50-10:05am**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lisette Branscomb**  
*Congregational President*

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM WITH  
CANDLE LIGHTING AND WATER!**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the + Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*A candle is lit. Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.  
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.  
We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,  
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.  
To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

**Lord, I Need You**

**Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill,  
Matt Maher, Christy Nockels and  
Daniel Carson**

Presented by Kevin & Joanne Swanson

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

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

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You, Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You

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

Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You, Every hour I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You  
You're my one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness, Oh God, how I need You

**GREETING**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

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

**And also with you.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Kevin Swanson**

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts  
are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you,  
and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**---WORD---**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

**FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-12**

**Jackie Szalkowski**

A reading from Zechariah.

*The coming messianic king will inaugurate an era of disarmament and prosperity. Because of  
God's covenant with Israel, the people are designated as "prisoners of hope."*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!  
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;  
triumphant and victorious is he,  
humble and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim  
and the war-horse from Jerusalem;  
and the battle bow shall be cut off,  
and he shall command peace to the nations;  
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,  
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;  
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 145:8-14**

**Jackie Szalkowski**

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion. (*Ps. 145:8*)

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full | of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup>LORD, you are | good to all,  
and your compassion is over | all your works.

<sup>10</sup>All your works shall praise | you, O LORD,  
and your faithful | ones shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup>They shall tell of the glory | of your kingdom  
and speak | of your power,

<sup>12</sup>that all people may know | of your power  
and the glorious splendor | of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures through- | out all ages.  
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in | all your works.

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all | those who fall  
and lifts up those who | are bowed down.

**SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a**

**Jackie Szalkowski**

A reading from Romans.

*Life captive to sin is a catch-22 existence in which we know good but do not do it and do things we know to be wrong. Through Jesus Christ, God has set us free from such a futile existence.*

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

<sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my

flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? <sup>25a</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

*Alleluia.* Blessed are you, Lord of | heav'n and earth;\* you have revealed these | things to infants.  
*Alleluia. (Matt. 11:25)*

### **GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Jesus chides people who find fault with both his ministry and that of John the Baptist. He thanks God that wisdom and intelligence are not needed to receive what God has to offer.*

[Jesus spoke to the crowd saying:] <sup>16</sup>“To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

<sup>17</sup>“We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;  
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

<sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

<sup>28</sup>“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **SERMON**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

Piano/Handbell Duet presented by John Womack and Amy Cauble

I've Got Peace like a River



1 I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,  
 2 I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain,  
 3 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,



I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul;  
 I've got joy like a foun - tain in my soul;  
 I've got love like an o - cean in my soul;



I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er,  
 I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain,  
 I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean,



I've got peace like a riv - er in my soul.  
 I've got joy like a foun - tain in my soul.  
 I've got love like an o - cean in my soul.

Text: traditional  
 Music: PEACE LIKE A RIVER, African American spiritual

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**Kevin Swanson**

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

We pray for the church. Sustain us as we share your word. Embrace us as we struggle to find our common ground. Lift up leaders with powerful and prophetic voices. Free us from stagnant faith. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the well-being of creation. Protect the air, water, and land from abuse and pollution. Free us from apathy in our care of creation and direct us toward sustainable living. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the nations (*especially the United States and Canada, celebrating their nationhood*). Guide leaders in developing just policies and guide difficult conversations. Free us from

patriotism that hinders relationship-building. Lead us to expansive love for our neighbor. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for all in need. For all who are tired, feeling despair, sick, or oppressed (*especially*). Take their yoke upon you and ease their burdens. Give your consolation and free us from all that keeps us bound. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We pray for this congregation. Bless pastors, deacons, and congregational leaders. Energize children's ministry volunteers, church administrators, and those who maintain our building. Shine in this place that we might notice the ways your love transforms our lives. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Gracious God, we pray especially for:

- Healing for John Womack from Covid-19; Leisa Wiggley (friend of All Saints' quilters); Butch Morgan; Officer Max Brewer; Bronwyn Yale Blanco; Rosie Marks; Marta; Sheila Wagner; Margaret Robinson; Rick Robinson; and Sondra Fowler.
- Guidance and protection for Chris Holdrich, Stephanie, and all healthcare workers.
- Comfort children and teens in this most difficult time of sickness and death.
- Good Shepherd: provide for those who do not have enough to eat, the unemployed, and the underemployed, especially Bob, Ingrid, Sonya, Connie, and Phillip.
- Comfort those who live in nursing homes, care centers, and retirement villages where Covid is present, especially Doni Saunders, Joanne Heckman, and Richard Kraus.
- Watch over the Szalkowski family at this time of change in their lives.
- Gracious God, we know that you hear us. Thank you for health restored to Kyle Jenkins, Sue Silver, Betty Bradford, and Marie Zagaglia.

You remain with us always, O God, and your kingdom has no end, so with confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We give thanks for those who have died in faith (*especially*). Welcome them into your eternal rest and comfort us in our grief until we are joined with them in new life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

---MEAL---

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

**OFFERING**

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**OFFERING of Bread and Wine**

Preparing your bread and wine

**Pastor Julie**

All

**OFFERING PRAYER**

*After the table is set, the assisting minister may lead one of the following or a similar prayer.*

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

**+DIALOGUE**

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 our thanks and praise.**

**+PREFACE**

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:

**+HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**

**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**

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
you have brought us this far along the way.

In times of bitterness you did not abandon us,  
but guided us into the path of love and light.  
In every age you sent prophets  
to make known your loving will for all humanity.  
The cry of the poor has become your own cry;  
our hunger and thirst for justice is your own desire.  
In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant  
to preach good news to the afflicted,  
to break bread with the outcast and despised,  
and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin.  
In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.  
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,  
we await the day when Jesus shall return  
to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death.

Come, Lord Jesus! And let the church say, Amen

**Amen.**

Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate,  
to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup  
with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world.

Come, Spirit of freedom! And let the church say, Amen

**Amen.**

Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age,  
that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection,  
we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**+LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond:* Amen.

#### **COMMUNION SONG (Spoken)**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Kevin Swanson**

Let us pray.

Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**---SENDING---**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lisette/All**

#### **BLESSING**

**Rev. Julie Crosby**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**Amen.**

**SENDING SONG**

**The Blessing**  
By Kevin & Joanne Swanson

**Chris Brown, Cody Carnes,  
Kari Jobe and Steven Furtick**

The Lord bless you and keep you, Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace

The Lord bless you and keep you, Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace

A – men, a-men, a-men, A-men, a-men, a-men

The Lord bless you and keep you, Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace

A – men, a-men, a-men, A-men, a-men, a-men

A – men, a-men, a-men, A-men, a-men, a-men

May His favor be upon you, And a thousand generations  
And your family and your children, And their children, and their children

May His favor be upon you, And a thousand generations  
And your family and your children, And their children, and their children

A – men, a-men, a-men, A-men, a-men, a-men

A – men, a-men, a-men, A-men, a-men, a-men

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Russ Silver**

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