

Cross of Christ Lutheran Church
Sixth Sunday in Easter
Faithful Through Generations
May 22, 2022



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Visions abound in the readings for the sixth Sunday of Easter. Paul has a vision about what to do. John has a vision of what will be. Jesus provides visions of peace that surpasses human understanding and power beyond human imagination.

PRELUDE

Welcome and Announcements

Open The Eyes Of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You
(Repeat)

To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy
(Repeat all)

Bridge

Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
Holy, holy, holy
I want to see You
(Repeat Bridge)

My Savior My God

I am not skilled to understand
What God has willed what
God has planned
I only know at His right hand
Stands One who is my Savior

I take Him at His word and deed
Christ died to save me this I read
And in my heart I find a need
Of Him to be my Savior

Chorus

That He would leave His place on high
And come for sinful man to die
You count it strange so once did I
Before I knew my Savior

Thy Word

Chorus

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end
(*Chorus*)

My Savior loves, My Savior lives
My Savior's always there for me
My God He was, My God He is
My God is always gonna be
My Savior loves, My Savior lives
My Savior's always there for me
My God He was, My God He is
My God is always gonna be

Yes living dying let me bring
My strength my solace from this spring
That He who lives to be my King
Once died to be my Savior (*Repeat
Chorus*)

Ending

My Savior Lives!

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to Your side
I will love You to the end
(*Chorus*)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **C: Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

L: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love. **C: Amen.**

L: The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Praise Him

Intro

Woah-oah-oah-oah-oah
Woah-oah-oah-oah-oah
Woah-oah-oah-oah-oah
Woah-oah-oah-oah-oah
(Repeat)

Verse 1

To the amazing One
To the unchanging One
To Him the anthem raise
Lift up your hymns of praise

Verse 2

For all the things He's done
For all the things to come
To Him the anthem raise
Lift up a shout of

Chorus 1

Praise Him with all of the music
Praise Him in all of the nations
Praise Him with all of creation
We praise Him
We praise Him

Verse 3

See now the risen One
See the exalted Son
To Him the anthem raise
Lift up your hymns of praise

Verse 4

For all the things He's done
For all the things to come
To Him the anthem raise
Lift up a shout of

Chorus 2

Praise Him with all of your heart sing
Praise Him in this generation
Jesus the light of salvation
We praise Him
We praise Him

Interlude

We praise Him
We praise Him
We praise Him
We praise Him

Bridge

Shine Your light forever and ever
Shine Your light forever and ever
Shine Your light
Shine Your light in the world
(Repeat Bridge)
(Chorus 1)

*The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

²Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. ³In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. ⁵One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. ⁶When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” ⁷The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.” ⁸Jesus said to him, “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” ⁹At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath.

*The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

“Do you Really Want to be Healed?”

Pastor Dan Nordin

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm.
What heights of love,
what depths of peace
When fears are stilled,
when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone - who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

***THE APOSTLE’S CREED: 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 power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. 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 again 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 THE CHURCH (Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.)**

***The Peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.**

***HOLY COMMUNION**

***COMMUNION PRAYER: Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

***L: Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. Amen.**

BENEDICTION:

Lord I Lift Your Name On High

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

Chorus

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high

(Repeat all)

(Repeat Chorus)

(Please be seated)

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