

Welcome in the Name of The Triune God

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Season of Pentecost



- Prelude by Roxanne Groff
- Office of the Acolyte
- Ringing of the Bell

Scripture Focus:
Revelation 6:1-8

&

7:9-17

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross,
the sign marked at baptism...*

**P: We confess our sins before God and
one another.**

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Eternal Lord,

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

C: We live in a world of anguish, and our sin only multiplies our suffering. Our despair discourages others. Our hopelessness paralyzes us from carrying out your work in the world. We pray for mercy, for strength, and for our faith to be restored, knowing that all good things come from you. Amen.

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: God will indeed make all things new. Our Creator knows, hears, and answers the cries of our hearts. Despair no more, for the One who comes in power also comes in love, and death has no dominion in the world to come. Receive our Lord's promise of pardon, renewal, and peace which knows no end.

C: Amen.

*** Hymn of Praise**
Blessed Assurance
ELW 638



**1 Blessed assurance,
Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste
of glory divine!
Heir of salvation,
purchase of God,
born of his Spirit,
washed in his blood.**

Refrain

**This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.**

**2 Perfect submission,
perfect delight,
visions of rapture
now burst on my sight;
angels descending
bring from above
echoes of mercy,
whispers of love.**

Refrain

**This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.**

**3 Perfect submission,
all is at rest;
I in my Savior
am happy and blest,
watching and waiting,
looking above,
filled with his goodness,
lost in his love.**

Refrain

**This is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior,
all the day long:
this is my story,
this is my song,
praising my Savior
all the day long.**

*** 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**

P: Let us pray... Almighty God, Your strength far outstrips any earthly power. May we put our fears aside and our trust in you, in whom our hopes will not be disappointed. In Jesus' name we pray,

C: Amen





Jesus loves all the little children,
All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
They're all precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

•Scripture Reading

**R: The Scripture reading is from
the Book of Revelation, the
6th Chapter and 7th Chapters.**

**C: Glory to you O' Lord!
*(Spoken)***

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

Chapter 6

Then I saw the Lamb open one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures call out, as with a voice of thunder, “Come!” ²I looked, and there was a white horse! Its rider had a bow; a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering and to conquer. ³When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature call

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

out, “Come!” ⁴And out came another horse, bright red; its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people would slaughter one another; and he was given a great sword. ⁵When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature call out, “Come!” I looked, and there was a black horse! Its rider held a pair of scales in his hand, ⁶and I heard what

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, “A quart of wheat for a day’s pay, and three quarts of barley for a day’s pay, but do not damage the olive oil and the wine!” ⁷When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature call out, “Come!” ⁸I looked and there was a pale green horse! Its rider’s name was Death, and

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

Hades followed with him; they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, famine, and pestilence, and by the wild animals of the earth.

Chapter 7

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.” ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have

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washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their

- **Revelation 6:1-8 & 7:9-17**

shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ (*Spoken*)



Sermon



Special Music

*** APOSTLE'S CREED**

**C: I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.**

*** APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

*** APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*** APOSTLE'S CREED**

C: 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

Each petition will end with the words,

A: Triumphant God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: Hear the fervent prayers of our hearts, and may blessing and wisdom and honor and might be yours now and forever.

C: Amen.

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...

P: The peace of the Lord be with you
always.

C: And also with you.



Offering Prayer

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Jesus is the tie that binds us together as one Body. So, let us pray as Jesus taught...

**C: 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,**

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

C: 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.



The Four Horsemen

Revelation 6:1-8

Announcements

*** SENDING BLESSING**

**P: The blessing of God, who
provides for us, feeds us, and
journeys with us, ✠ be upon you
now and forever.**

C: Amen.



The Four Horsemen

Revelation 6:1-8

Sending Song
Shall We Gather at the River
ELW 423

*** Shall We Gather At the River--ELW 423**

**1 Shall we gather at the river,
where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever
flowing by the throne of God?**

Refrain

**Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.**

* Shall We Gather At the River--ELW 423

2 On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

* Shall We Gather At the River--ELW 423

3 Ere we reach the shining river,
lay we ev'ry burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver,
and provide a robe and crown.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

* Shall We Gather At the River--ELW 423

4 Soon we'll reach the shining river,
soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver
with the melody of peace.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river
that flows by the throne of God.

*** DISMISSAL**

P: Until we gather again as God's people to offer our worship and praise, depart in Christ's Love,

**C: Seeking, welcoming, and serving all.
Amen!**

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