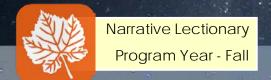
Welcome in the Name of The Triune God

September 26, 2021 Season of Pentecost



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

Scripture Focus: Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17



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Isaac's Blessing and Jacob's Dream, Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17

* 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: Creator of all things,

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

C: We have failed to care for all that you have made. We have squandered resources and oppressed others. Forgive us for what we have done and have failed to do. Teach us how to be a good steward of your creation. Amen.

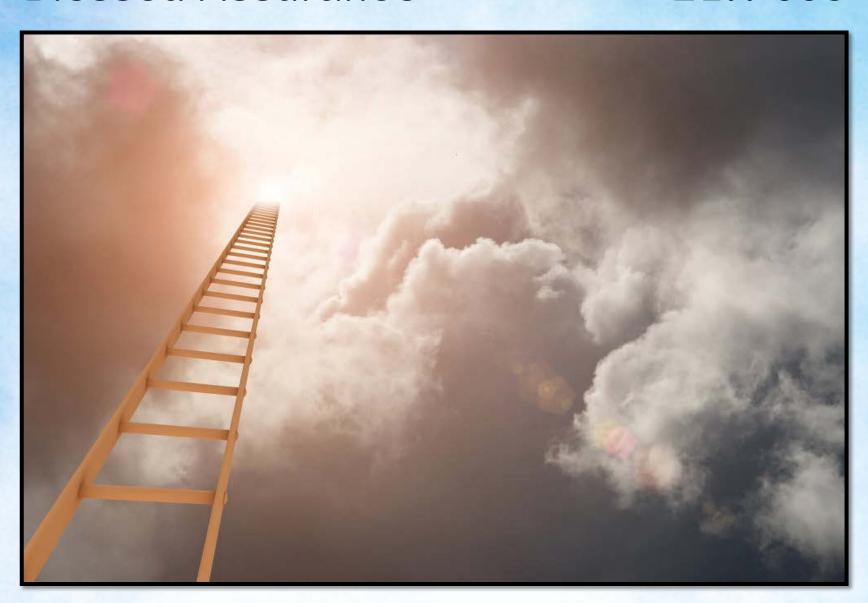
* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Our God will always love all that God has made. Although we sin, God forgives. Receive now the entire forgiveness of all your sins, granted as a gift from a loving God. In the name of Jesus we pray.

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... God of second chances, when Jacob lied to his father and stole from his brother, another might write him off. But you did not, God. You saw something in him no one else saw. See that in us, too and give us another chance.

C: Amen



Scripture Reading

R: The Scripture reading is from the Book of Genesis
Chapters 27 and 28.

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

When Isaac was old and his eyes were dim so that he could not see, he called his elder son Esau and said to him, "My son"; and he answered, "Here I am." ²He said, "See, I am old; I do not know the day of my death. 3Now then, take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field, and hunt game for me. ⁴Then prepare for me savory food, such as I like, and bring it

to me to eat, so that I may bless you before I die."

¹⁵Then Rebekah took the best garments of her elder son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob; 16 and she put the skins of the kids on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. ¹⁷Then she handed the savory food, and the bread that she had prepared, to her son Jacob.

¹⁸So he went in to his father, and said, "My father"; and he said, "Here I am; who are you, my son?" 19 Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me; now sit up and eat of my game, so that you may bless me." 20 But Isaac said to his son, "How is it that you have found it so quickly, my son?" He answered, "Because the Lord your God granted

me success." ²¹Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near, that I may feel you, my son, to know whether you are really my son Esau or not." 22So Jacob went up to his father Isaac, who felt him and said, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." 23He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so he blessed him.

Chapter 28

¹⁰Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. 11 He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹²And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of

God were ascending and descending on it. 13 And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; 14 and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the

families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. 15 Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

¹⁶Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!"

¹⁷And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

R: 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.

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: Persistent God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayer concludes...

P: You have shown us wonders, and yet we shall see greater things yet. May our prayers rise to you and may we trust that you have mercifully heard the cries of our hearts, for the sake of Jesus our brother.

C: Amen.

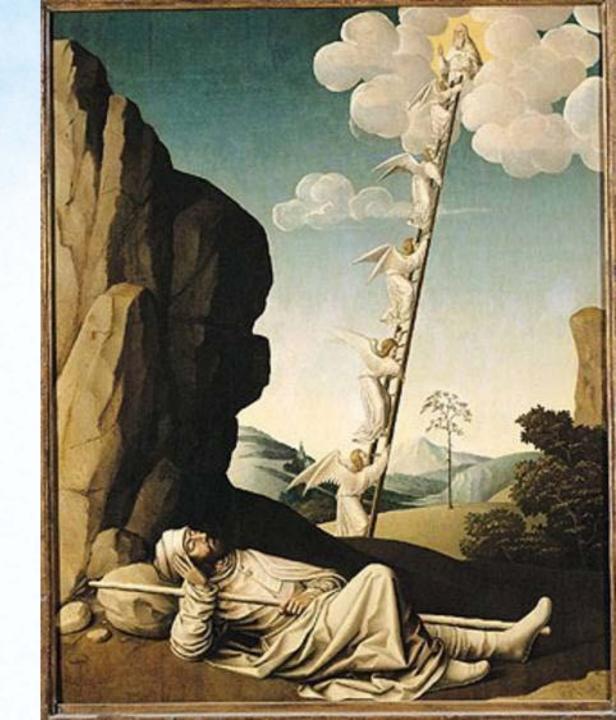
* SHARING OF THE PEACE

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.



Announcements

* SENDING BLESSING

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.



Sending Song
Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty
LBW 250

1 Open now thy gates of beauty,
Zion, let me enter there,
where my soul in joyful duty
waits for God who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessed is this place,
filled with solace, light, and grace!

- * Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty LBW 250
 - 2 Gracious God, I come before thee; come thou also unto me; where we find thee and adore thee, there a heav'n on earth must be.

 To my heart, oh, enter thou, let it be thy temple now!

- * Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty LBW 250
 - 3 Here thy praise is gladly chanted, here thy seed is duly sown; let my soul, where it is planted, bring forth precious sheaves alone, so that all I hear may be fruitful unto life in me.

4 Thou my faith increase and quicken, let me keep thy gift divine; howsoe'er temptations thicken, may thy word still o'er me shine as my guiding star through life, as my comfort in all strife.

- * Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty LBW 250
 - 5 Speak, O God, and I will hear thee, let thy will be done indeed; may I undisturbed draw near thee while thou dost thy people feed. Here of life the fountain flows; here is balm for all our woes.

* 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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