

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 20, 2025
10:30 am Contemporary

AS WE GATHER

"Make God laugh," a wise man once said, "—plan something!" He meant that God always has the last laugh, especially when we make mistakes, and His will is done anyway. That's what God did with Sarah and has done every time someone uncovers His promised, gracious rewards. The Colossians were laughing with Him, and in the Gospel, Mary has enough faith to listen to Jesus. Don't try to get God laughing; join Him rejoicing in all His blessings.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

Set Free

Here I surrender lay down every weight
Remember Your love has broken all my chains
What You have finished cannot be undone
The work of the cross was more than enough

I've been set free I've been set free
Sin has no hold
Shame has no power over me
Found in Your mercy
I've been washed clean
You call me whole saved and redeemed
I've been set free

There is a promise written in Your scars
I am forgiven changed by who You are
What You have finished I will not forget
I'm buried with Christ
I'm raised from the dead

I've been set free I've been set free
Sin has no hold
Shame has no power over me

Found in Your mercy
I've been washed clean
You call me whole saved and redeemed
I've been set free

No longer bound in chains
No longer blind I see
This is amazing grace
Jesus alive in me
(REPEAT 3x)

(Oh) I've been set free (Oh) I've been set free
Sin has no hold
Shame has no power (no power) over me
Found in Your mercy
(Oh) I've been washed clean
You call me whole saved and redeemed
I've been set free

(Yes) You call me whole saved and redeemed
I've been set free

CCLI Song # 7156774

INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

SONG

Lord I Need You

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry 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
Where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

So 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
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
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

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SALUTATION

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.
O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that
by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ,
Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever.
People: Amen.

READINGS

FIRST READING

Psalm 103

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and
mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the
eagle's.

The LORD works righteousness
and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast
love.
He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our
sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the
earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those
who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions
from us.
As a father shows compassion to his
children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those
who fear him.
For he knows our frame;

he remembers that we are dust.
As for man, his days are like grass;
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,
and its place knows it no more.
But the steadfast love of the LORD is from
everlasting
to everlasting on those who fear him,
and his righteousness to children's
children,
to those who keep his covenant
and remember to do his commandments.
The LORD has established his throne in the
heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.
Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!
Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!
Bless the LORD, all his works,
in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:21–29

You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 10:38–42

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG

Oceans

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep my faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds
me
You've never failed and You won't start
now

So I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Oh and You are mine oh

Spirit lead me where my trust is without
borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever
wander
And my faith will be made stronger
In the presence of my Savior

Spirit lead me where my trust is without
borders
Let me walk upon the waters
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In the presence of my Savior

I will call upon Your name
Keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your embrace
I am Yours and You are mine

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SERMON

"Forget Not All His Benefits"
Psalm 103

Pastor Eric Clausen

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF OUR LORD

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

What A Beautiful Name
You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is

What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against

What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

CCLI Song # 7068424

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Leader: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks that we have again received the Body and blood of Christ, the bread from heaven. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage, that we speak the truth in love and build up the Body of Christ until that day we see You face-to-face; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader: The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.

People: Amen

CLOSING SONG

Still Rolling Stones

Out of the shadows
Bound for the gallows
A dead man walking
'Til love came calling
Rise up rise up

Six feet under
I thought it was over
An answer to prayer
The voice of a Savior
Rise up rise up

All at once
I came alive
This beating heart
These open eyes
The grave let go
The darkness should have known
You're still rolling stones
You're still rolling stones

Now that You saved me
I sing 'cause You gave me
A song of revival
I put it on vinyl
Rise up rise up

I once was blinded
But now I see it
I've heard about the power
And now I believe it
Rise up rise up

All at once
I came alive
This beating heart
These open eyes
The grave let go
The darkness should have known
You're still rolling stones
You're still rolling stones

I thought that I was too far gone
For everything I've done wrong
Yeah I'm the one who dug this grave
But You called my name
You called my name

I thought that I was too far gone
For everything I've done wrong
Yeah I'm the one who dug this grave
But You called my name
You called my name

All at once
I came alive
This beating heart
These open eyes
The grave let go
The darkness should have known
You're still rolling stones
You're still rolling stones

Oh You're still rolling stones (2X)
You're still rolling rolling (2X)
You're still rolling stones

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DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE



*The Lord is
merciful and gracious,
slow to anger
and abounding in
steadfast love.*

Psalms 103:8