SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST June 22 | 9:30 am

Hymn of the Day: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say ELW 611 Offertory Hymn: Word of God, Come Down on Earth ELW 510 Sending Hymn: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness ELW 843

FIRST READING Isaiah 65:1-9

A reading from Isaiah

was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. ² I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³ a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; ⁴ who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their ⁵ who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long.

I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps ⁷ their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. ⁸ Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. ⁹ I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

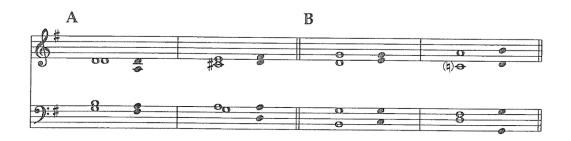
The word of the Lord.

⁶ See, it is written before me:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96 | June 22





- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his <u>Name</u>; * proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the <u>nations</u> * and his wonders among all peoples. [ANT.]
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be <u>praised</u>; * he is more to be feared than all gods.
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; * but it is the LORD who made the heavens. [ANT.]
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his <u>presence!</u> * Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; * ascribe to the LORD honor and power. [ANT.]
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his <u>Name</u>; * bring offerings and come into his <u>courts</u>.
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of <u>holiness</u>; * let the whole earth tremble before him. [ANT.]

GOSPEL Luke 8:26-39

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

hen [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—²⁹ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. ³¹ They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

³²Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Worship Leaders Today

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev Martha McCreight
Musicians Nathan K. Lively-Greyling,

Nanette & Tom Jordan, Alex McGuiness

Worship Assistant Cheryl Milukas

Reader Cheryl Milukas

Communion Assistants Eric Lane

Acolyte Usher

Altar Committee Eva Jakubek, Cheryl Milukas
Counters Noel Bartels, David Hendrickson

Little Free Pantry Eric Lane

Coffee Hour Karen & Sue Brandt

Little Free Pantry

To volunteer and maintain the Little Free Pantry – clean, organize, and restock – for the period of one week, go to the Social Ministry tab on St. John's website or contact Janet Segerdell - <u>janet.segerdell@gmail.com</u>. The LFP can always use cash contributions which are used to purchase food at the Food Bank for pennies on the dollar.

Summer Pick-Up Choir

If you enjoy singing, feel free to join the summer choir at 9:00 am each Sunday. We meet in the church around the piano. There's no weekly commitment and it's fun and easy—a great family opportunity.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tuesday, June 24

Executive Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, June 25

Vespers - 6:00 pm Chapel

Sunday, June 29

Mass on the Grass - 9:30 am Fellowship Hour - 10:30 am Welcome Room

Looking Ahead . . .

July 27 Mass on the Grass

August 7 Choir trip to Bruton Parish, Williamsburg, VA August 31 Mass on the Grass & Blessing of Backpacks

September 7 Rally Sunday 9:30 am Worship

10:30 am God's Work Our Hands Service Project

11:30 am Church Picnic