SAINT ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday, June 27, 2021 9:15 am	Fifth Week After Pentecost Lamentations 3:22-33 Psalm 30 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43
GATHERING	
Prelude	
Confession and Forgiveness	
Gathering Hymn	"Glory to God"
Greeting	
Prayer of the Day	
Children's Sermon	
WORD	

A reading from Lamentations.

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth, to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it, to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope), to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults. For the Lord will not reject forever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm

 ¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
²O LORD my God, I cried out to you,

and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴ Sing praise to the LORD, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance.
⁵ God's wrath is short; God's favor lasts a lifetime.
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
⁶ While I felt secure, I said,
"I shall never be disturbed.
⁷ You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
⁸ I cried to you, O LORD;
I pleaded with my Lord, saying,
⁹ "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
¹⁰ Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;
O LORD, be my helper."
¹¹ You have turned my wailing into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.
¹² Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

A reading from Second Corinthians.

Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The gospel according to Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be

made well, and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. 34He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

APOSTLE'S CREED

With the whole church, Let us confess our faith... 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 Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.* 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 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 INTERCESSION

The response is: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Peace

MEAL

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE AND PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Great Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Lamb of God

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING

Benediction

Hymn

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

DISMISSAL Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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Healing and salvation begin now.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Mark 5:21-43	Jesus heals and raises to life
Lamentations 3:22-33	There is still hope
2 Corinthians 8:7-15	Generous giving
Acts 4:23-31	Believers pray for boldness
Isaiah 57:14-19	The Lord helps the helpless
Luke 4:31-41	Jesus heals many people
Psalm 30	God turns mourning into dancing
Mark 6:1-13	Jesus sends the twelve
	Lamentations 3:22-33 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Acts 4:23-31 Isaiah 57:14-19 Luke 4:31-41 Psalm 30

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

[Jesus] said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." Mark 5:34 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Come Lord Jesus, in the midst of difficult times touch us with your love and send us your peace and hope in our daily lives. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this food and pray that all may receive food to live, serve, and love you and others through Jesus, the great healer. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you to know the saving grace given to you through Jesus Christ.



JUNE 27, 2021 **HYMN OF THE WEEK**

Come, Ye Disconsolate



WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS



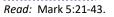
Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

When have you or someone you know had difficult times? Explain.

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- Where do you find comfort when you are going through difficult times?
- Not all illnesses are cured and not all difficulties are resolved. How has faith in God eased your pain or that of a friend's pain during an illness?

DEVOTIONS



On the way to restore Jairus' daughter to life, Jesus realizes that healing power had gone from him to someone in the crowd. He inquires who touched him to receive the healing. A woman comes forward and explains that for 12 years she had suffered with hemorrhages (a flow of blood) that did not cease. Not only did it make her weak, it made her ritually unclean and unfit to be with others. In other words, not only did she experience physical suffering, she experienced isolation and social suffering. She was desperate and thought she might be healed through touching Jesus' garment. Jesus' first word of response was to call her "daughter," that is, someone who belongs to the community. He then adds, "your faith has made you well" (v. 34). The Greek text can equally be translated as "your faith has saved you." The same word for healing is the word for being saved. Salvation and healing begin for this woman because of her faith, a faith borne out of desperation. Her faith was not an expression of confidence and trust; it was simply an openness to hope against hope. With Jesus' response, she is brought into community and healed. When has faith felt more like taking a risk than a show of confidence and trust?

Pray: Healing God, we thank you that you touch us with your saving grace now and always through Christ Jesus, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SERVICE

The woman who touched Jesus' clothes and was healed was an outcast among her own people. Her illness meant that others saw her as unclean and avoided her. Who are the people in your community that are often looked down upon or left out? What act of kindness can you do for someone who may be feeling left out in some way?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Appropriate touch is a way of expressing love and care for others. Research has shown that as humans we need the touch of others to stay healthy in body, mind and spirit. Holding hands while praying and blessing someone with the sign of the cross on their hand or forehead are forms of a healthy touch. Hold hands while praying the Lord's Prayer. Then bless one another:



May God bless you to know that Jesus has touched you with peace today.

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