

## **Worship Plan for Sunday, July 4, 2021**

Lectionary 14 Proper 9

6th Sunday after Pentecost

### **Introduction to the day**

*Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from the assembly to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit always operates in the "between": between Jesus and his Abba, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.*

### **GATHERING**

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

### **GATHERING SONG**

### **SING WHEREVER I GO**

Chorus:

All my life

All I know

God's been good

Good to my soul

Mountain high

Valley low

I'm gonna sing wherever I go

*Repeat Chorus*

Verse 1:

God is for me

He's not against me

I will hold to the plans He has for me

When I'm broken

He will fix me

I will call on the name of the Lord

*Chorus 1 time*

Verse 2:

He's my heartsong

In my sorrow

He's my hope and my strength for tomorrow

When the storms rise

All around me

I will call on the name of the Lord

*Chorus 2 times*

Bridge:

I got joy joy joy  
Deep in my soul  
I will sing sing sing  
Wherever I go

*Chorus 2 times*

## **WELCOME**

*(We stand as we are able)*

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: God, our provider,  
**help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

P: Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**Amen.**

## **OPENING HYMN**

### ***Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory***

**ELW #890**

1 Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:  
his truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!

His truth is marching on.

2 He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;

he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.

Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!

Our God is marching on. Refrain

3 In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.

As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,  
while God is marching on. Refrain

### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

### **KYRIE**

### **SETTING 8**

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;  
for life and for love, for our work and our play,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way,  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray. God of the covenant,  
**in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the  
courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and  
peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. Amen.**

*(We are seated as we hear God's holy word)*

### **WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

L: A reading from Ezekiel.

#### **FIRST READING: Ezekiel 2:1-5**

*In 597 BCE, the priest Ezekiel was removed into exile in Babylon. While there, he  
received a vision of God appearing majestically on a chariot throne. Today's reading  
recounts God's commissioning of Ezekiel during this vision. The prophet is to speak  
God's word to a people unwilling to hear.*

<sup>1</sup>[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.<sup>2</sup>And  
when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him  
speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a  
nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have  
transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants are impudent and  
stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord  
God." <sup>5</sup>Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall  
know that there has been a prophet among them.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **PSALM: Psalm 123** *(We read responsively by whole verse)*

<sup>1</sup>To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup>**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a  
maid to the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.**

<sup>3</sup>Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

<sup>4</sup>**too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud.**

L: A reading from 2 Corinthians.

**SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10**

*Christians do not boast of their own accomplishments. Rather, Christian boasting focuses attention on how the power of Christ is present in our lives, especially in times of weakness and vulnerability. No matter what our circumstances in life, Christ's grace is sufficient for us.*

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*(We stand as we are able for the reading of the gospel)*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Halle, Halle, Hallelujah**

**ELW #172**

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

**GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13**

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At home and abroad, Jesus and his disciples encounter resistance as they seek to proclaim God's word and relieve affliction.*

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with

us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house."

<sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Lord, You Give the Great Commission*

**ELW #579**

1 Lord, you give the great commission:

"Heal the sick and preach the word."

Lest the church neglect its mission,  
and the gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to your purpose  
with renewed integrity:

Refrain

With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us  
for the work of ministry.

2 Lord, you call us to your service:

"In my name baptize and teach."

That the world may trust your promise,  
life abundant meant for each,  
give us all new fervor, draw us  
closer in community: Refrain

3 Lord, you make the common holy:

"This my body, this my blood."

Let us all, for earth's true glory,  
daily lift life heavenward,  
asking that the world around us  
share your children's liberty: Refrain

4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:

"Father, what they do, forgive."

Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society: Refrain

5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:  
"I am with you to the end."  
Faith and hope and love restoring,  
may we serve as you intend  
and, amid the cares that claim us,  
hold in mind eternity: Refrain

A: We confess our common faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed:

**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.**

*(We are seated)*

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*After each petition:*

Leader: Lord in your mercy,

**All: hear our prayer**

*(We stand as we are able)*

**Peace** *(We share the blessing of Christ's peace. Some worshipers may prefer to maintain social distancing)*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(We are seated)*

**OFFERING** *(We respond to God's grace as we offer our gifts to reach out in new ways)*

*(We stand as the gifts are brought forward)*

**OFFERTORY**

**ONLY BY GRACE**

**W&P #112**

Only by grace can we enter,  
only by grace can we stand;  
not by our human endeavor,  
but by the blood of the Lamb.  
Into your presence you call us,  
you call us to come.  
Into your presence you draw us,  
and now by your grace we come,  
now by your grace we come.

**OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life,  
**you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to  
be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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,  
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.

**SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BLESSING**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING SONG**

## **YOUR GRACE IS ENOUGH**

### **Your Grace is Enough**

#### Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God  
You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart  
You lead us by still waters into mercy  
And nothing can keep us apart

#### (Pre-Chorus)

(So) remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise O God

#### Chorus 1

Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

#### Verse 2

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob  
You use the weak to lead the strong  
You lead us in the song of Your salvation  
And all Your people sing along  
(So) remember Your people  
Remember Your children  
Remember Your promise O God

#### Chorus 1

Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough  
Your grace is enough for me

#### Chorus 2

Yeah Your grace is enough  
Heaven reaches out to us  
Your grace is enough for me  
God I sing Your grace is enough  
I'm covered in Your love

Your grace is enough for me  
for me

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**