Second Sunday after Pentecost June 11, 2023

566 By Grace I'm Saved

- By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless; My soul, believe and doubt it not. Why stagger at this word of promise? Has Scripture ever falsehood taught? No! Then this word must true remain: By grace you too will life obtain.
- By grace! None dare lay claim to merit; Our works and conduct have no worth. God in His love sent our Redeemer. Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth: His death did for our sins atone, And we are saved by grace alone.
- By grace God's Son, our only Savior, Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it because of your own merit That Jesus died your soul to win? No, it was grace, and grace alone, That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.
- By grace! This ground of faith is certain; As long as God is true, it stands. What saints have penned by inspiration, What in His Word our God commands, Our faith in what our God has done Depends on grace—grace through His Son.
- By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried. By grace, in spite of fear and trouble, The Father's heart is open wide. Where could I help and strength secure If grace were not my anchor sure?
- By grace! On this I'll rest when dying; In Jesus' promise I rejoice; For though I know my heart's condition, I also know my Savior's voice.

My heart is glad, all grief has flown Since I am saved by grace alone. Text: Christian Ludwig Scheidt, 1709-61; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, alt.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- \mathbf{P} Our help is in the name of the Lord.
- who made heaven and earth. C
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father.
- **Q** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- **P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 50:7–10: antiphon: v. 1

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;

your burnt offerings are continually before me.

I will not accept a bull from your house

or goats from your folds.

For every beast of the forest is mine.

the cattle on a thousand hills.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth **from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

Kyrie

Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Gloria in Excelsis

P Glory be to God on high:

and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Hosea 5:15-6:6

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual *Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b*

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.

On your wondrous works, I will meditate, and I will declare your greatness.

Epistle Reading

Romans 4:13-25

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:9-13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, 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

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be

1 Chief of sinners though I be, Jesus shed His blood for me, Died that I might live on high, Lives that I might never die. As the branch is to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.

- Oh, the height of Jesus' love,
 Higher than the heav'ns above,
 Deeper than the depths of sea,
 Lasting as eternity!
 Love that found me—wondrous thought!
 Found me when I sought Him not.
- 3 Only Jesus can impart
 Balm to heal the wounded heart,
 Peace that flows from sin forgiv'n,
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n,
 Faith and hope to walk with God
 In the way that Enoch trod.
- 4 Chief of sinners though I be, Christ is all in all to me; All my wants to Him are known, All my sorrows are His own. He sustains the hidden life Safe with Him from earthly strife.
- 5 O my Savior, help afford By Your Spirit and Your Word! When my wayward heart would stray, Keep me in the narrow way; Grace in time of need supply While I live and when I die.

Text: William McComb, 1793–1873, alt.

Sermon "God's Desire" Matthew 9:9-13

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Offertory

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

- **P** ...Lord, in your mercy:
- **C** Hear our prayer.
- **P** ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C 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.
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus

- A Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you.

 The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

 The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and H give you peace.
- C Amen, amen, amen.

936 Sing Praise to the God of Israel

- Sing praise to the God of Israel!
 Sing praise for His visitation!
 Redeeming His people from their sin,
 Accomplishing their salvation,
 Upraising a mighty horn within
 The house of His servant David!
- 2 God spoke by the prophets long ago, His promise on oath recalling— To Abraham made in former years: Of vanquishing foes appalling, That those He delivered from their fears Might gladly and truly serve Him.
- 3 You, child, will go on before the Lord As prophet, His way preparing; To speak on behalf of God Most High, His counsel of truth declaring: Rich mercy and grace for all whereby Iniquity is forgiven.
- O bright, rising Sun, now shine on us
 In need of illumination;
 Come scatter the shades of sin and death
 And shatter their domination.
 Be guiding our footsteps on the path
 Of peace, in Your presence dawning!

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