

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

*Sixth Week of Easter*



## **WELCOME**

## **INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

## **RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**Brandon Lee Tran**

Pastoral Address: Our Lord commanded Baptism, saying to His disciples: “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age.” (*Matthew 28:19-20*)

Scriptural Teaching: Every human being is in need of Baptism because “just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned.” (*Romans 5:12*) In our Baptism, God works to unite us with Jesus in His death and resurrection to save us. “Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. If we have been united with Him like this in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection.” (*Romans 6:3-5*) Our Baptism not only unites us with Christ, but also with all those whom God saves. Noah and his family “were saved through water, and this water symbolizes baptism that now saved you also – not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.” (*1 Peter 3:21*) In Baptism, God enlarges our family to include all those who have been baptized into Christ.

Sign of the Cross: Receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead and upon your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

Baptismal Faith: Our God has promised to give His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation in baptism. Through His Word and water, God buries us with Jesus into death. Just as our Lord Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, the baptized walk in newness of life. It is this new life that we ask you to confess now.

Do you believe in God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? If so, say, "Yes, I believe."

Do you reject the devil and all that is against God? If so, say, "Yes, I do."

Do you desire to be united with Jesus Christ in Holy Baptism? If so, say, "Yes, I do."

The Baptism: Brandon Lee Tran, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Baptismal Prayer: We give You thanks, Almighty God, that in Holy Baptism You grant new birth through water and the Spirit. Thank You for making us children of God and heirs of Your promises of forgiveness, salvation and eternal life. We ask You to defend Brandon from all evil that attacks faith. Keep him in Your ways that he may be a faithful witness of Your grace for all humanity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Baptismal Candle: Receive this burning light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for His coming that you may meet Him with joy and enter with Him to the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which shall have no end.

Blessing: The almighty and most merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless and keep you. Amen.

## TESTIMONY

Joseph McTigue

### **HOUSE OF THE LORD**

We worship the God who was  
We worship the God who is  
We worship the God who evermore will be  
He opened the prison doors  
He parted the raging sea  
My God He holds the victory

### **Chorus**

***There's joy in the house of the Lord  
There's joy in the house of the Lord today  
And we won't be quiet  
We shout out Your praise  
There's joy in the house of the Lord  
Our God is surely in this place  
And we won't be quiet  
We shout out Your praise***

Oh oh oh  
We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals  
We sing to the God who saves  
We sing to the God who always makes a way  
'Cause He hung up on that cross  
Then He rose up from that grave  
My God's still rolling stones away

### **Chorus**

*('Cause) We were the beggars  
Now we're royalty  
We were the prisoners  
Now we're running free  
We are forgiven accepted  
Redeemed by His grace  
Let the house of the Lord sing praise (2x)*

### **Chorus (2x)**

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## SCRIPTURE READING and SERMON

**Luke 18:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. <sup>3</sup>And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

**Pastor:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## RITE OF CONFIRMATION

### Confession of Faith

Pastor: What is the First Article of the Apostles' Creed?

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

P: What does this mean?

Confirmands: I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

P: What is the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed?

**All: 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.**

P: What does this mean?

Confirmands: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord. Who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

P: What is the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed?

**All: 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.**

P: What does this mean?

Confirmands: I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

## Declaration of Faith

P: Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the salvation accomplished for you by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ?

C: Yes, I do.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?

C: Yes, I do.

P: Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

C: I do.

P: Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

C: I do, by the grace of God.

P: Do you believe that you are a sinner?

C: Yes, I believe.

P: Do you believe that Jesus Christ died for you and shed His blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of all your sins?

C: Yes, I believe.

P: Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

C: I do, by the grace of God.

P: Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and in God's Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

C: I do, by the grace of God.

P: Parents, family, and members of this congregation, the whole Church shares with you the responsibility and concern for the ongoing instruction and spiritual care of these young people. I now ask you, will you intercede for them in prayer and, as much as you are able, give them your counsel and aid that, in communion with the Church, they may grow up to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ?

**All: We will, with the help of God.**

## Confirmation Verses and Prayers

**Allison K. Ortmeier - Hebrews 4:14-16**

**Joseph P. McTigue - 1 Corinthians 1:30-31**

**Madilyn M. Sachau - Psalm 5:11-12**

**Brandon L. Tran - Galatians 2:20**

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

### ALWAYS

My foes are many, they rise against me  
But I will hold my ground  
I will not fear the war, I will not fear the storm  
My help is on the way, my help is on the way

#### *Chorus:*

***Oh, my God, He will not delay  
My refuge and strength always  
I will not fear, His promise is true  
My God will come through always, always***

Troubles surround me, chaos abounding  
My soul will rest in You  
I will not fear the war, I will not fear the storm  
My help is on the way, my help is on the way  
*(Chorus 2x)*

I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord  
I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord  
I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord  
I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord

*(Chorus 2x)*

I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord  
I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord

## COME THOU FOUNT

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer;  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

O that day when freed from sinning,  
I shall see Thy lovely face;  
Clothèd then in blood washed linen  
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace;  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry,  
Take my ransomed soul away;  
Send thine angels now to carry  
Me to realms of endless day.

## PRAYERS and BENEDICTION

### **10,000 REASONS**

**Chorus:**

***Bless the Lord, oh my soul***

***Oh my soul, worship His holy name***

***Sing like never before***

***Oh my soul, I worship your holy name***

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

**Chorus**

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger

Your name is great and your heart is kind

For all your goodness I will keep on singing

10,000 reasons for my heart to find

**Chorus**

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Soon my soul will sing your praise unending

10,000 years and then forever more

**Chorus 2x**

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***Prayers this week:***

***Prayers of thanks for our friends and family who have been healed and are recovering from illness and surgery.***

***Continued Prayers (continuing care/homebound):***

Eric Breitenfeld, Jim Crouse (Coty Hitchcock's dad), Norbert DeHoff, Sherry Fischer, Pat Funderburk, Thad Gonsalves, Norma Kellerup, Ellie Liebmann, Scott Lopez Family, Karen and Mark Moore, Debra Nguyen's nephew, Cayden (leukemia), Cathy Phillips, Betty Reimnitz, Violet Reitmeyer, Rippel Family, Nita Roth, Tom Sadowski (Carla Santoro's dad).

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