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Guided by the Spirit, we share the love of Jesus and walk with our community.

Sunday June 6, 2021 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Today is the Second Sunday after Pentecost and we begin our Summer Sermon Series! As "Just like Jesus" author Max Lucado says: "God loves us just the way we are, but refuses to leave us this way. God wants us to be just like Jesus." I pray you will enter into this with me, and open your own hearts for God's liberating work. Please invite a friend to come with you to church, or feel free to share the videos on your own.

Between this Sunday and August 15th, we will look at the various aspects of having a heart like Jesus. Today we will look at what it means to have a forgiving heart! A schedule has been sent out on email and in the newsletter. I am urging you to consider buying a copy of the book, or you can check it out through Faith member Lori Becker!

In addition, to help us grow and become just like Jesus, there is a Wednesday night Bible study component beginning this Wednesday, June 9th at 7 p.m.

The Spirit will lead and guide us which is symbolic of the Pentecost Season. This is also called "the long green season" as the color for Pentecost is green, and the season goes well into October! We celebrate and honor, as we did on the Day of Pentecost and Holy Trinity Sunday, the Holy Spirit of God moving in, with and through our lives.

I firmly believe that we must do our part to keep our spiritual lives stirred up! I know it's hard and I know we are all busy, yet I believe God is calling all of us as a family of faith to grow to be more like Jesus.

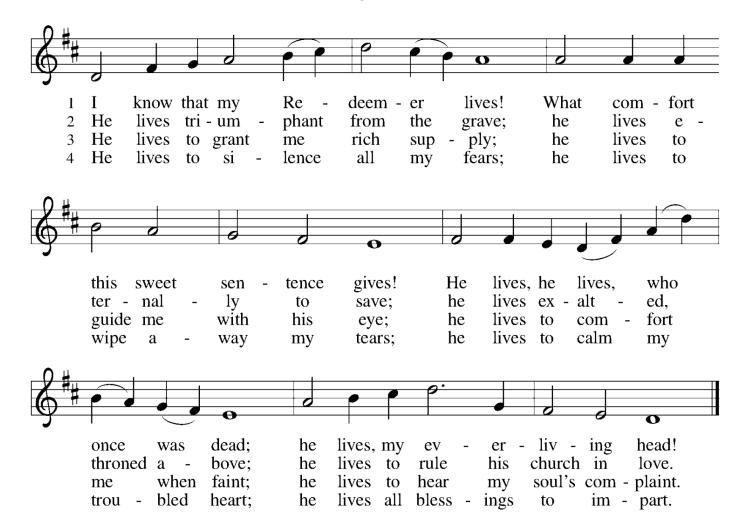


INTRODUCTION

A house divided against itself cannot stand. Jesus makes this observation in light of charges that he is possessed. He is possessed, not by a demon, but by the Holy Spirit. We who have received the Holy Spirit through baptism have been joined to Christ's death and resurrection and knit together in the body of Christ. Those with whom we sing and pray this day are Jesus' family. With them we go forth in peace to do the will of God.

GATHERING HYMN ELW #619

I Know That My Redeemer Lives!



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; he lives and loves me to the end; he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to his name! He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, # one God,

the God of manna,

the God of miracles,

the God of mercy.

Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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.

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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

Immediately after Adam and Eve eat the forbidden fruit, they hide from God. Neither takes responsibility for their sin, instead blaming each other, the snake, and even God. The curse on the snake was understood as a messianic prophecy by the early church, who associated Eve's "offspring" with Christ.

8 [Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." 13 Then the Lord God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." 14 The Lord God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,
cursed are you among all animals
and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
and dust you shall eat
all the days of your life.
15 I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
and you will strike his heel."

The word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 130

Wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love. (Ps. 130:7)

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord;

2 O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

3 If you were to keep watch over sins,

O Lord, who could stand?

4 Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.

5 I wait for you, O Lord; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

- 6 My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love; with the Lord there is plenteous redemption.
- 8 For the Lord shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

Life in the present is transitory and cannot compare with the eternal home God has prepared for us. So we do not despair no matter what life might bring because we know that as God raised Jesus from the dead, God promises to bring us into eternal life.

13 Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, 14 because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. 15 Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

16 So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. 17 For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, 18 because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

5:1 For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, siblings of Christ.

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

[Jesus went home;] 20 and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. 21 When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." 22 And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." 23 And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? 24 If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. 26 And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. 27 But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

28 "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; 29 but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—30 for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

31 Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." 33 And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" 34 And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of our Lord, praise to you, O Christ.

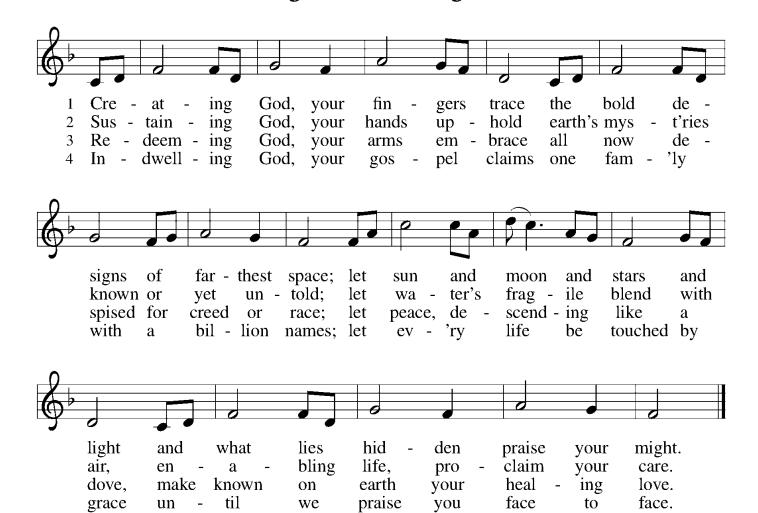


CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON NOTES	
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HYMN OF THE DAY

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace



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Music: PROSPECT, W. Walker, Southern Harmony, 1835

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord. Jesus Christ. the only Son of God. eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made. of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

God of wholeness, we pray for believers all over the globe (*global mission partners may be named*). Unify us in service of the gospel, that we may work together as beloved siblings to share your love with all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of the cosmos, we pray for creation; the gardens, waterways and creatures near to us and diverse forms of life that remain unseen. Teach us to treat the natural world with reverence, seeking restoration when human divisions have caused harm to your beloved creation. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of all people, we pray for harmony among the nations. Cast out from us unclean spirits of greed and fear, that we may work in solidarity with one another for the common good. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of abundance, we pray for those who are oppressed or in any need. Encourage those who have begun to lose heart. Strengthen and renew us with your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

God of righteousness, we pray for this holy house of worship. Set our gaze upon things eternal, that in thanksgiving for your mercy, we may extend grace to more and more people. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of the ages, in your goodness you have sent us faithful witnesses for every time and place. We give you thanks for those saints who now rest in your eternal mercy (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

Faithful members and friends of St. Andrews, we thank you for your continued financial support during our time of physical separation.

Please click **HERE** to be taken to Tithe.ly to give online.

Mail offering to: St. Andrew's Lutheran Church PO Box 24106 Speedway, IN 46224-0106

OFFERING PRAYER

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.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name.

Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the

body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

Amen.

Announcements

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

SENDING

DISMISSAL

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

SENDING HYMN ELW #537

On Our Way Rejoicing



Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.

Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

St. Andrew's Prayer Lists

Families on the Prayer List

Mr & Mrs Michael Zielinski (Kristin) and Edmund
Ms. Jennifer Bailey
Mr. & Mrs Ed Bailey (Beverly)
M.r & Mrs. Paul Baker (Jennifer)

Additional Prayers for Recent, Current, or Upcoming Medical Care:

Paula Cardoza-Jones,
Joe Lynch, brother of MJ,
Bobbie Moore,
Christine Robertson, great niece of MJ Lynch,
Carl Schaber, brother of Jan Smith,
Ellen Shupe

Those with Ongoing Special Need of Prayer:

Jerid Edwards, great nephew of MJ Lynch Ruth Tingle David Tryon, son of Mary

Remember to Pray for Nursing Home Residents and Shut-Ins:

Lynn Bigelow Thelma Jones Penny Kalk Martha Larson Norma Petraits David Royer David Schmalz The Harrison

Remember to Pray for those Serving in our Armed Forces:

Michael Joseph Jerry Shake



Prayers

Let us pray for the Miami-Dade community, the location of another mass shooting that occurred outside a banquet hall. Prayers for the families and friends of the deceased and wounded and the survivors and responders.

As we pray for this latest tragic incident we continue to pray for the San Jose community and remember in prayer all the communities and those touched by gun violence throughout our country and an end to the need for these prayers.

Lord, have mercy.

St. Andrew's Calendar

- Sunday, June 6 Worship 9am
 Zoom Holy Communion and Adult Faith Formation 7pm
- Tuesday, June 8 Zoom Staff Meeting 1pm
- Wednesday, June 9 Virtual Bible Study 7pm
- Sunday, June 13 Worship 9am

Zoom Holy Communion and Adult Faith Formation 7pm

- Monday, June 14 Mat Making Monday 12-4pm
- Tuesday, June 15 Zoom Staff Meeting 1pm Zoom FBS 7pm
- Wednesday, June 16 Laundry & Friends 4:30pm Virtual Bible Study 7pm
- Thursday, June 17 Zoom Council Meeting 6pm
- Sunday, June 20 Worship 9am

Zoom Holy Communion and Adult Faith Formation 7pm

- Tuesday, June 22 Zoom Staff Meeting 1pm
- Wednesday, June 23 Virtual Bible Study 7pm

St. Andrew's Announcements

Faith Formation

The group is beginning a study of the Book of Acts. Please read the first couple chapters of Acts and bring questions and concerns. All are welcome and invited.

Summer Sermon Series

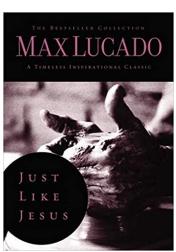
From **June 6 to August 15** Pastor will guide us through a sermon series on having a heart like Jesus with each chapter listing ways to "remodel" our hearts to be like Jesus.

"God loves you just the way you are, but God refuses to leave you that way.

God wants us to be just like Jesus."

- June 6: Heart like Jesus/Forgiving Heart
- June 13: Compassionate Heart
- June 20: Listening Heart
- June 27: God-Intoxicated and Worship Heart
- July 4: No book/sermon series b/c of Holiday
- July 11: Focused Heart
- July 18: Honest and Pure Heart
- July 25: Hope Filled Heart
- August 1: Rejoicing Heart
- August 8: Enduring Heart
- August 15: Keeping Eyes on Jesus/Wrap up

The book is \$9 on Amazon, \$3 on Kindle. *Order your copy of the book now!!



Pastor Givan will host a virtual Bible Study from 7-8pm beginning June 9th also based on the book *Just Like Jesus* by Max Lucado following along with the Summer Sermon Series. This study will meet via Zoom June 9-August 18. The series will look at the characteristics of having a heart just like Jesus! The book is available for \$9 on Amazon and \$3 on Kindle. Watch for the link via email.

Altar Flowers

We are welcoming Altar Flowers Back to worship. You may sign the Altar Flower Chart or call the office and MJ will add your name to the Sunday you wish to provide flowers. You will be responsible for getting the flowers and don't forget to let MJ know what you would like printed in the bulletin.

Mat Making Mondays

Mat Makers meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays from 12-4pm in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome on any Monday and for any time during the 4 hour period to help with the various tasks of making mats that are distributed to homeless individuals. For information about this project contact Jan Smith.

Elvanto - Our New Church Management System

Please be checking your email every Friday to learn more about this system. Each week new details will be passed along via email. This email will include written directions as well as a video tutorial. Last week details were sent regarding logging in and creating your username and password. If you need them resent, please let Kelli know.

New Address

Kurt Wolfe 6336 Robin Run East Apt 204 Indianapolis, IN 46268-4024

Remember:

- Worship time is 9am.
- Fellowship at 11am concluded for the summer on May 23.
- Recorded worship available on website, Facebook, & email Sunday afternoons.
- Office Hours 10-4, T-W-TH.
- Midweek Moment Wednesdays 12pm.
- Communion Kits can be picked up at the church office.

Read and study God's Word for the coming Sunday!

For next week June 13:

3rd Sunday after Pentecost 1st Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm: Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10(11-13) 14-17

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34