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June 25, 2023



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THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Oh say can you see, By the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hailed, At the twilight's last gleaming? Whose broad stripes and bright stars, Through the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watched, Were so gallantly streaming.

And thy rocket's red glare, Thy bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night, That our flag was still there. Oh say does that star spangled banner yet wave, O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF CANADA

O Canada! Our home and native land! True patriot love in all thy sons command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise, The True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

ANTHEM

"Bless America" Highland Cathedral, arr. Osterland St. Andrew's Bagpipe Band and the Historic Trinity Cathedral Choir

Bless America, the land we love. Shower blessings on her from above. Unite our hearts and minds, Lord, as we pray, One in service to our God this day.

Lord, forgive us when we fail, May truth and justice ever prevail. Guide our leaders. Help us be A beacon for all to see.

Bless America, our own dear land. Firm in honor may she ever stand. Grant peace and abundance and prosperity Shared by all in0 deep humility.

Save us from all fear and doubt, From violence within and terror without. God, Creator, may we be A people strong and free.

Praise to God the Father, praise His Son, Praise the Spirit, ever Three in One. Raise a song of joy from sea to sea, Praise the holy, blessed Trinity!

INVOCATION Mt 28:19

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

People: **→** Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES Isaiah 43:1; Psalm 23:4; 1 Peter 2:9

Pastor: But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed

you, O Israel:

People: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

Pastor: I have called you by name, you are Mine."

People: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will

fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they

comfort me.

Pastor: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His

own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called

you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION 1 Peter 2:10

Pastor: Gathering as God's chosen people, we bring with us the sins that wage war

with our souls. We take this time to confess our sins to Him who has delivered our souls from death, and we seek His forgiveness through His

Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Lord Jesus,

People: We are surely sinful from birth, and we struggle with change, even as

a people changed by You from death to life. Our struggle is revealed as we fall into patterns of living, speaking, and thinking that are not in line with being the people You have called us to be. You have set us free through Your perfect life, death, and resurrection, yet we continue to live like people who are enslaved to the enemy. Lord Jesus, forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness for

Your name's sake. Amen.

Pastor: Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had

not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the *Son and of the Holy Spirit.

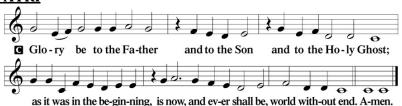
People: **→** Amen.

THE INTROIT *Psalm 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: v. 13*

Pastor/Choir: For You have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life. When I am afraid, I put my trust in You. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me? In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word

I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?

THE GLORIA PATRI



THE KYRIE Mt 9:27, 15:22

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

THE SALUTATION 2 Tim 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Father in heaven, You have brought us to Yourself and made us Your

treasured possession through the saving work of our Savior. By the power of Your eternal Spirit, may we extend Your saving Word into all the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

ANTHEM

"Distant Land"

John Rutter

(A Proper for Freedom)

The Cathodred Chair

(A Prayer for Freedom) The Cathedral Choir

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 20:7-13

(God is with us when we are persecuted for being His people.)

⁷ O Lord, you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me. ⁸ For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

¹⁰ For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! "Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall. "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him."

 11 But the Lord is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. 12 O Lord of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

¹³ Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

¹² Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³ Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸ and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰ For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Battle Hymn of the Republic" arr. Ringwald

The Cathderal Choir

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

(Life will be hard in these last days. Fear not, for God is with us.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

People:



⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them...

²¹ Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴ "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶ "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People:



CONFESSION OF THE LUTHERAN FAITH

The Large Catechism: The Fifth Petition of the Lord's Prayer, "as we forgive those..."

Pastor: God has promised that we shall be sure that everything is forgiven and

pardoned, yet in the manner that we also forgive our neighbor.

People: For just as we daily sin much against God, and yet He forgives

everything through grace, so we, too, must ever forgive our neighbor.

Pastor: If, therefore, you forgive, you have this consolation and assurance,

People: that you are forgiven in heaven,

People: not on account of your forgiving, for God forgives freely and without

condition, out of pure grace, because He has so promised, as the Gospel teaches, but in order that He may set this up for our confirmation and assurance for a sign alongside of the promise which accords with this

prayer, Luke 6:37:

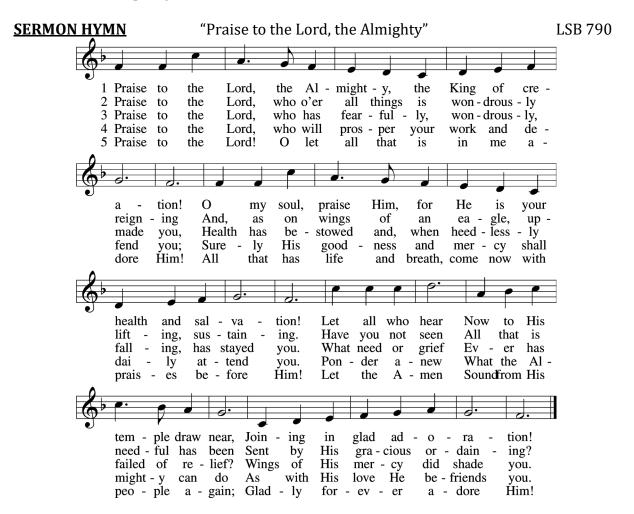
People: Forgive, and ye shall be forgiven.

Pastor: Therefore Christ also repeats it soon after the Lord's Prayer, and says,

Matthew 6:14:

People: For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also

forgive you.



SERMON

"What's the Diff?"

Romans 3:22

Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski, Head Pastor Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

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↑ This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King: let the heavens ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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VOLUNTARY

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

Charles Callahan

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

ANTHEM

"Amazing Grace"

St. Andrew's Bagpipe Band

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit was founded in 1849, the year before Trinity. Hugh Moffat, born in Scotland in 1810, wrote the preamble of St. Andrew's constitution, was elected president of the society, and then was elected mayor of Detroit in 1872, the same year that HT's Rev. Huegli was elected District President (the only Detroit pastor to ever be elected to the position).

St. Andrew's Pipe Band have been a part of our Freedom Fest celebration since 2006.

BLESSING *Philippians 2:14-16*

Pastor: "Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless

and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine like stars in the world, holding fast to the word of life". People of God, in your week ahead:

People: Shine like stars!

BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you

and be gracious to you. The *Lord lift his countenance upon you and

give you peace.

People:





POSTLUDE

"Stars and Stripes Forever"

John Phillip Sousa Alana Meeker, Piccolo

