



Time after Pentecost—Lectionary 13

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With One Voice: Setting Five

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INTRODUCTION

A woman finds healing by touching Jesus' cloak, and a girl is restored to life when he takes her by the hand. In both cases a boundary is crossed: in Jesus' time the hemorrhaging woman was considered ritually unclean, polluting others by her touch, and anyone who touched a corpse also became unclean. In Mark's gospel Jesus breaks down barriers, from his first meal at a tax collector's house to his last breath on the cross as the temple curtain is torn in two. We dare to touch Jesus in our "uncleanness" and to live as a community that defines no one as an outsider.

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GATHERING

The GATHERING MUSIC: "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"

The CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of Holy Baptism as the Pastor begins

In the Name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Sisters and brothers,
bear with one another in love,
maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace,
and take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness,
but instead expose them.

Let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy and gracious God,
**we confess that we have not led a life
worthy of the calling to which we have been called.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have not acted according to your will.
We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
Have mercy on us.
Forgive us according to the riches of your grace.
Make us holy and blameless before you in love,
so that we might live to the praise of your glory. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God,
Jesus Christ was given to die for you,
and for his sake God forgives you all your sins.
You who once were far off
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.
As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ,
and by his command and authority,
I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The GATHERING HYMN

“I’m so glad Jesus lifted me”

WOV 673

The GREETING

The Pastor greets the assembly with the following words:
The blessing of the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the glorious grace freely bestowed in the Son,
and the power of the promised Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

The HYMN OF PRAISE

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The PRAYER OF THE DAY

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The assembly is seated

WORD

The FIRST READING

Lamentations 3:22–33

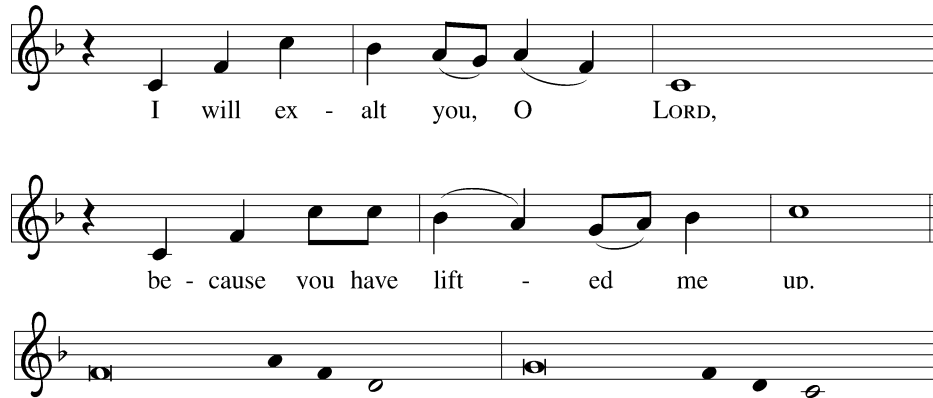
²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
²³they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
²⁴"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,
"therefore I will hope in him."
²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD.
²⁷It is good for one to bear
the yoke in youth,
²⁸to sit alone in silence
when the LORD has imposed it,
²⁹to put one's mouth to the dust
(there may yet be hope),
³⁰to give one's cheek to the smiter,
and be filled with insults.
³¹For the LORD will not
reject forever.
³²Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
³³for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

The reading concludes

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

The PSALMODY

Psalm 30



- ¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lift-¹ed me up
and have not let my enemies triumph¹ over me.
- ²**O LORD my God, I cried¹ out to you,
and you restored¹ me to health.**
- ³You brought me up, O LORD,¹ from the dead;
you restored my life as I was going down¹ to the grave.
- ⁴**Sing praise to the LORD,¹ all you faithful;
give thanks in ho-¹ly remembrance. Refrain**
- ⁵God's wrath is short; God's favor¹ lasts a lifetime.
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes¹ in the morning.
- ⁶**While I felt se-¹cure, I said,
"I shall never¹ be disturbed.**
- ⁷You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong¹ as the mountains."
Then you hid your face, and I was¹ filled with fear.
- ⁸**I cried to¹ you, O LORD;
I pleaded with¹ my Lord, saying,**
- ⁹"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down¹ to the pit?
Will the dust praise you or de-¹clare your faithfulness?"
- ¹⁰**Hear, O LORD, and have mer-¹cy upon me;
O LORD,¹ be my helper." Refrain**
- ¹¹You have turned my wailing¹ into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed¹ me with joy.
- ¹²**Therefore my heart sings to you¹ without ceasing;
O LORD my God, I will give you¹ thanks forever. Refrain**

The SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8:7–15

⁷Now as you excel in everything — in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you — so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

⁸I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something — ¹¹now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹²For if the eagerness is there, the gift is

acceptable according to what one has — not according to what one does not have. ¹³I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much,
and the one who had little did not have too little."

The reading concludes

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands

The GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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The HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 5:21-43

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. ²²Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet ²³and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. ²⁵Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

³⁵While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The SERMON

Silence for reflection

The assembly stands to proclaim the Word of God in song.

The HYMN OF THE DAY

“Great is thy faithfulness”

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The CREED

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The PRAYERS & PEACE

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The assembly is seated

MEAL

The OFFERING : “ This is My Father’s World”

The assembly stands

You Are Holy

Du är helig

1*



Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

2



Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

* May be sung in canon.

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The GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The SANCTUS

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The THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (Right column)

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The LORD'S PRAYER (Right column)

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The BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Thanks be to God.

The assembly is seated

The LAMB OF GOD

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The DISTRIBUTION

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MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

“Healer of our every ill”

WOV 738

“Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling”

WOV 734

The assembly stands.

The POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray... Gracious God, in this meal
you have rained down the true bread from heaven,
the body and blood of your beloved Son.
So by his promise bring us to abide in him, and he in us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

The Blessing

Almighty God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

The SENDING HYMN

“Shalom”

WOV 724

The SENDING

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The SENDING MUSIC: “Praise and Thanksgiving”

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The **Eternal Candle** is given by Tim Whitman in memory of Minnie Whitman.

Evangelism - Join us on Friday, July 10th from 7-10pm at First, Strasburg for a night of family fun and fellowship. There will be food , pop and more with games for the entire family. In the case of rain, the event will be held the following Friday on July 17th.



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

ELCA NEWS SERVICE

June 22, 2009

ELCA to Engage in 50 Days of Prayer Leading to Churchwide Assembly

CHICAGO (ELCA) -- The Rev. Mark S. Hanson, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), has asked the church's 4.7 million members to pray and study Scripture for 50 days starting June 29, in preparation for the 2009 ELCA Churchwide Assembly.

The assembly is the ELCA's highest legislative authority and meets every two years. The 2009 assembly is in Minneapolis Aug. 17-23.

The assembly will act on a proposed social statement on human sexuality, a recommendation on ministry policies and various churchwide program proposals. It will conduct elections and consider memorials (proposed at synod assemblies) and resolutions (proposed by voting members at the churchwide assembly). The proposed social statement and recommendation on ministry policies are sources of significant discussion within the church.

Members are being asked to pray daily; meet in weekly groups, use daily Scripture readings for reflection, hymn and prayer, and use suggested petitions for prayers during worship. Resources are at <http://www.ELCA.org/50days> on the Web.

"The resources are provided in a way that allows them to be used by individuals, in congregational groups such as Bible studies, youth groups or meetings, or even in larger gatherings," said the Rev. Robert G. Schaefer, executive for ELCA Worship and Liturgical Services.

In an April 27 message to associates in ministry, deaconesses, diaconal ministers and ordained clergy, Hanson said the idea for 50 Days of Prayer came from his own experiences and from people in the church.

Hanson also met this spring with pastors who will preach during worship at the churchwide assembly. "The richness of the conversation reminded me how much I have missed the weekly text groups that have been so formative in my ministry," he said.

Hanson said that the call to study and prayer comes "from the church's most fundamental and enduring practices of faith." The 2003 Churchwide Assembly overwhelmingly adopted an evangelism strategy that called the ELCA to pray for renewal grounded in Scripture. The 2007 Churchwide Assembly in Chicago endorsed the "Book of Faith Initiative" calling the ELCA to study and learn Scripture, he noted.

"Even when we are not of one mind about all the matters to be decided by the assembly, we have a marvelous opportunity as a church body to witness to the common source of our hope. In fact, an appropriate prayer may be that God use the diversity of our opinions to witness to one Lord, one faith and one Baptism," Hanson said.

Hanson said that he looks forward "with confident hope" to the assembly. "The source of my confidence is ...God's faithfulness to God's promises and the Holy Spirit's power," he said. "This church has an opportunity to give public witness that we are a church united in evangelical mission for the sake of the world. I invite your prayers for the sake of that mission and the work of the churchwide assembly."

The 50 Days of Prayer is also an opportunity for church members who are unable to attend the churchwide assembly to participate, Schaefer said. "We all can't be in Minneapolis this summer, but all can be together as one in prayer as part of this one expression of the Body of Christ."

THIS WEEK AT FIRST LUTHERAN (Week of 6/28—7/5)

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| Sunday | <u>Time after Pentecost—Lectionary 13</u>
9:30 AM—Holy Communion (Pavilion, weather permitting) |
| Monday | 7 PM—Beach City Church Council |
| Tuesday | No Scheduled Activities |
| Wednesday | No Scheduled Activities |

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| Thursday | No Scheduled Activities |
| Friday | No Scheduled Activities |
| Saturday | Independence Day |
| Sunday | <u>Time after Pentecost—Lectionary 14</u>
9:30 AM—Holy Communion (Sanctuary) |

Pastor Steven, serving part-time (75% time or 30 hours), office hours for this week

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| Sunday | Worship |
| Monday | 5-9 |
| Tuesday | 9-5 |
| Wednesday | 9-5 |
| Thursday | 9-5 |
| Friday | OFF |
| Saturday | OFF |

*These hours include sermon/worship preparation, meetings, and visitation. **Of course these hours do not apply if a pastoral emergency occurs.***