

St. Luke & St. Paul Penryn
Evangelical Lutheran Church

June 16, 2024

4th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion



The mustard seed becomes a great shrub that shelters the birds, recalling ancient images of the tree of life. We'd expect a cedar or a sequoia, but Jesus finds the power of God better imaged in a tiny, no-account seed. It's not the way we expect divine activity to look. Yet the tree of life is here, in the cross around which we gather, the tree into which we are grafted through baptism, the true vine that nourishes us with its fruit in the cup we share. It may not appear all that impressive, but while nobody's looking it grows with a power beyond our understanding.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

***Confession & Forgiveness**

P. Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C. Amen.

P. God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C. Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Gracious God,

C. have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P. God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C. Amen.

***Gathering Hymn** Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty LBW#250

***Apostolic Greeting**

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. And also with you.

***Prayer of the day** (Celebrate)

Children's Message

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching & song

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

L. The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God

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

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10[11-13], 14-17

L. The word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

P. The Holy gospel according to **Mark 4:26-34**

C. **Glory to you, O Lord**

The reading of the Holy Gospel

P. The gospel of the Lord

C. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Angela Hammer

*** Apostles' Creed**

P. United by the Holy Spirit, let us profess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed

C. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. * On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayers of the Church**

***Sharing of Peace**

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C. And also with you.

***Communion Prayer**

P. God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C. Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

***Great Thanksgiving**

P. The Lord be with you:

C. And also with you.

P. Lift up your hearts:

C. We lift them to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:

C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Preface for Pentecost**

P. 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,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection,
you pour out the fire of your Spirit,

uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

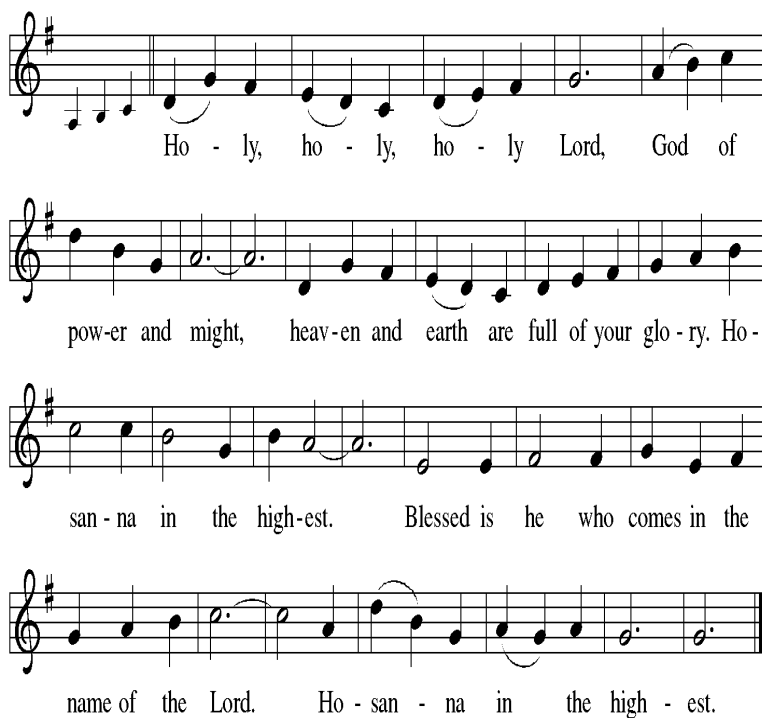
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses
of the resurrection,

with earth and sea and all their creatures,

and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and
ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

***Lord's Prayer**

P. God, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C. 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**

P. Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come and be fed.

*Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Communion Blessing

P. The body of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C. Amen.

*Prayer After Communion

AM. God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C. Amen.

***Father's Day Blessing**

Gracious and nurturing God, on this Father's Day we give our thanks for various roles in which fathers are a gift.

Bless those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. Bless those fathers who, lacking a good model for a father, have worked to become a worthy and virtuous father. Bless those fathers who, by their own account, were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. As well, let us pray for those fathers who have been wounded by words and actions of their children. Bless those fathers who, despite marital discord, have remained in their children's lives. Bless those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has nurtured a thriving life.

Bless those fathers who, as stepfathers, freely choose the obligation of fatherhood and earned their stepchildren's love and respect. Bless those fathers who have lost a child to death and continue to hold the child in their heart. Bless those men who have no children but cherish the next generation as if they were their own. Bless those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides. Bless those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children. Bless those fathers who have died but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

C. Amen.

SENDING

God sends us boldly into the world to share the good news

***Blessing**

P. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

C. Amen.

***Sending Hymn** **All Praise to Thee, My God This Night**
LBW #278

***Dismissal**

P. Go in peace. Christ is with you!

C. Thanks be to God!

Postlude

WORSHIP LEADERS

The Ministers:	The St. Luke & Penryn Church Communities
The Pastor:	The Rev. Angela Hammer
Music Director:	Linda Holt
Lector:	Nicholas Kneller
Worship Assistant:	Jake Werner
Special Music:	The Holt Sisters
