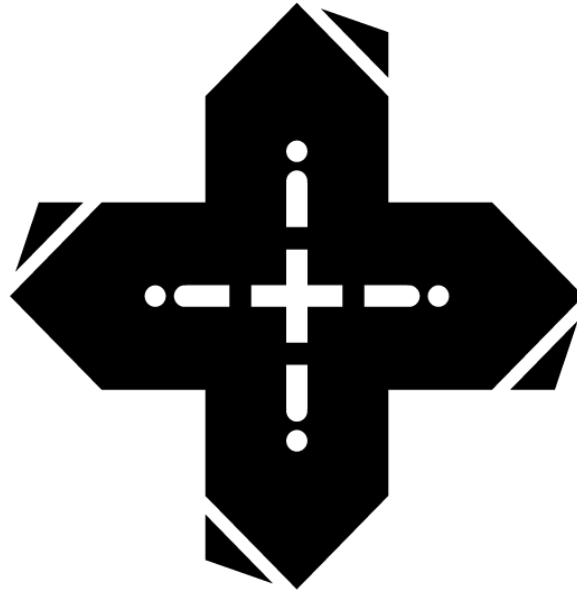


**Connecting Christ. Creating Community.**



**HUNTERSVILLE**  
*Lutheran Church*

**SUNDAYS AFTER PENTECOST**  
**06.20.21**



# Huntersville Lutheran

*A Changeless Message for  
A Changing Community*

Worshipping at the Seven Oaks 19725 Oak St. Cornelius, NC

Worship @ 9:30am

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**W**elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we would have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul saving message in his Word. We gather to find strength though God's powerful and holy Word. Take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the order of service, readings, and hymns, and fill out the take action card. May God bless our time together this morning.

## About Our Worship

The gospel is the good news about what Jesus did to be the Savior for sinners. It is also the power of God—the very thing he uses to work faith in our hearts and transform our lives. Therefore, gospel-centered worship places the gospel in central focus. This order of service is called the liturgy. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish. Gospel-centered worship is also designed to include the participation of the entire assembly (including children).

## For Your Convenience

**Restrooms** are located in the hallway at the rear of the building. Simply follow the arrows once you are in the hallway.

## Service Participants

Rev Doug Van Sice, *pastor of Huntersville Lutheran*  
Andrea Van Sice, *keyboardist*

# Service Notes | Sundays after Pentecost

For centuries, the Christian Church has worshiped according to the Church Year. The Church Year begins in December with the season of Advent. The first six months of the church year (December through May/June) follow the life of Christ from his birth until his suffering, death, and resurrection on Easter Sunday. Last Sunday, the Festival of the Holy Trinity marked the beginning of the second half of the church year. The second six months of the church year (June through November) follow the teachings of Christ.

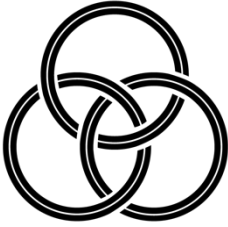
Over the next six weeks, the Sunday's readings are all connected by a theme of power. Jesus, the King of kings, is the almighty ruler of heaven and earth who, by his power defeated death, sin, and Satan for us. With that almighty power, he reigns Satan and his evil minions in. With that almighty power, he makes creation bend her knee and conquerors our greatest fears. With that almighty power, he sends his Spirit to plant faith in your heart. With that almighty power, he preserves your faith. With that almighty power, he sends you with his Word. With that almighty power, he gives his Word which you speak power to grow his kingdom. With that almighty power, he gives you the power to stand up to the Gospel's opposition, no matter what the cost.

Over these six weeks, we have the opportunity to marvel and glorify the Son of God for the power he wields to protect us, preserve us, send us, and grow us.

- Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>      Jesus has Power over all Creation
- Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>      Jesus has Power over Death
- Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>        Jesus Gives Us Power Against Opposition
- Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>      Jesus Sends His Workers with Power

## About Huntersville Lutheran

Huntersville Lutheran is a church that is waiting for you. We are supported by, and are members of, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a collection of over 1,300 churches across the United States and Canada. Our mission is to show you to the authentic Jesus, build you up in his Word, and connect you to your community and neighbors in ways you have never been able to before. For more information, check out [www.huntersvillelc.com](http://www.huntersvillelc.com).



# ORDER OF SERVICE

*From beginning to end, the Gospel—the good news of what Jesus did for sinners—is the central focus in our worship. In the message, in specially selected Scripture readings, and in carefully crafted songs, prayers, and creeds, the liturgy proclaims the good news about Jesus from start to finish. This is because the Gospel is the very thing that God uses to transform hearts and eternities, creating saving faith in the heart of the believer. God bless our worship this morning.*

## Opening Hymn | *Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness* |



1 Praise the one who breaks the dark - ness With a  
2 Praise the one who blessed the chil - dren With a  
3 Let us praise the Word in - car - nate, Christ, who



lib - er - a - ting light; Praise the one who frees the  
strong, yet gen - tle, word; Praise the one who drove out  
suf - fered in our place; Je - sus died and rose vic -



pris - 'ners, Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.  
de - mons With the pierc - ing, two - edged sword.  
to - rious That we may know God by grace.



Praise the one who preached the gos - pel, Heal - ing  
Praise the one who brings cool wa - ter To the  
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, See - ing



ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing storms and feed - ing  
des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this well comes liv - ing  
what our God has done; Let us praise the true Re -



thou - sands    With    the    Fa - ther's    word    of    peace.  
 wa - ter,    Quench-ing    thirst    in    ev - 'ry    land.  
 deem - er,    Praise    the    one    who    makes    us    one.

### Invocation

**L** In the name of the Father and of the Son ✝ and of the Holy Spirit.<sup>1</sup>

**C** Amen.

### Confession of Sins

**L** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C** **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

**For faithless worrying and selfish pride,**

**For sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,**

**You should cast me away from your presence forever.**

**O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

**L** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. As a called servant of Christ, and by his authority, I say to you what God says to you:

Your sins are all forgiven in the name of the Father and of the Son ✝ and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

<sup>1</sup> The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshippers of their baptisms.

## Lord, Have Mercy | *Kyrie*<sup>2</sup> |

**L** In peace, let us pray to the Lord

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C** Christ, have mercy.

**L** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen.

## Glory be to God | *Gloria*<sup>3</sup> |

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| <p>1. All glory be to God on high!<br/>Your name, O Lord, we glorify;<br/>We praise you for your peace and grace,<br/>Your favor toward our fallen race.</p>     | <p>2. Our grateful thanks to you we bring,<br/>For your great glory, heav'nly King,<br/>For all, O Father, you have done<br/>Through Jesus Christ, your only Son</p> |
| <p>3. O Lamb of God, to you we pray.<br/>You take all human sin away.<br/>Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;<br/>From God's right hand, your mercy share.</p> | <p>4. You, Christ, are holy—Lord alone;<br/>The Father's glory you made known.<br/>We by your Spirit sing again:<br/>"All glory be to God!" Amen.</p>                |

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<sup>2</sup> The word *Kyrie* is a Greek word from the phrase *Kyrie Elieson* which means, "Lord, have mercy!" This is the most heartfelt cry of a believer to his Lord. It is not a cry for forgiveness, but a cry for mercy that our Lord and king hear us and help us in our necessities and trouble. This morning, may it be our heartfelt cry to our Lord and King.

<sup>3</sup> This ancient song of the church gets its name from its first few words in Latin: *Gloria in Excelsis Deo!* This was the greatest song of praise ever heard on earth. An angel choir sang it in the Judean sky the night Jesus was born (Luke 2:14). This song has been sung in Christian churches for 1500 years. As Martin Luther once said, "This ancient song did grow, nor was it made, but it came from heaven."



# THE WORD

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## Prayer of the Day

**L** Let us pray:

O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## First Reading | *Job 38:1-11* |

Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said:

- <sup>2</sup> "Who is this that obscures my plans  
with words without knowledge?  
<sup>3</sup> Brace yourself like a man; I will question you,  
and you shall answer me.  
<sup>4</sup> "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation?  
Tell me, if you understand.  
<sup>5</sup> Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!  
Who stretched a measuring line across it?  
<sup>6</sup> On what were its footings set—or who laid its cornerstone—  
<sup>7</sup> while the morning stars sang together  
and all the angels shouted for joy?  
<sup>8</sup> "Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb,  
<sup>9</sup> when I made the clouds its garment  
and wrapped it in thick darkness,  
<sup>10</sup> when I fixed limits for it  
and set its doors and bars in place,  
<sup>11</sup> when I said, 'This far you may come and no farther;  
here is where your proud waves halt'?"

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 46

- L** God is our refuge and strength,
- C** **An ever-present help in trouble.**
- L** Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
- C** **And the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,**
- L** Though its waters roar and foam
- C** **And the mountains quake with their surging.**
- L** There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
- C** **The holy place where the Most High dwells.**
- L** God is within her, she will not fall;
- C** **God will help her at the break of day.**
- L** "Be still and know that I am God;
- C** **I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.**

## Second Reading | *Acts 27:13-26* |

<sup>13</sup> When a gentle south wind began to blow, they saw their opportunity; so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of Crete. <sup>14</sup> Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island. <sup>15</sup> The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along. <sup>16</sup> As we passed to the lee of a small island called Cauda, we were hardly able to make the lifeboat secure, <sup>17</sup> so the men hoisted it aboard. Then they passed ropes under the ship itself to hold it together. Because they were afraid they would run aground on the sandbars of Syrtis, they lowered the sea anchor and let the ship be driven along. <sup>18</sup> We took such a violent battering from the storm that the next day they began to throw the cargo overboard. <sup>19</sup> On the third day, they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands. <sup>20</sup> When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved.



<sup>21</sup> After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: "Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. <sup>22</sup> But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. <sup>23</sup> Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me <sup>24</sup> and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.' <sup>25</sup> So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me. <sup>26</sup> Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island."

**L** The Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please Stand*

## The Gospel

**L** The Gospel according to Mark, chapter four.

<sup>35</sup> That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." <sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. <sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. <sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

**L** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Hymn of the Day | *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* |



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less Than Je - sus'  
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on  
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant and blood Sup - port me  
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, Oh, may I



blood and right - eous - ness; I dare to make no oth -  
his un - chang - ing grace; In ev - 'ry high and storm -  
in the rag - ing flood; When ev - 'ry earth - ly prop  
then in him be found, Clothed in his right - eous - ness



er claim But whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
y gale My an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.  
a - lone, Fault - less to stand be - fore his throne.



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; All



oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

# Sermon

*Mark 4:35-41*

## Personal Sermon Notes



## **Confession of Faith | *Nicene Creed* |**

**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 fully 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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one Holy Christian 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.**

# THANKSGIVING

**Offering |** The members of Huntersville Lutheran have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you would like to give digitally, text any dollar amount to **84321**. Easy to follow instructions will be sent to your phone to complete your digital offering. Guests, you are welcome to participate in supporting our ministry, but certainly do not feel obligated.

**Connect Cards |** In your service folder, you will find *Connect Cards*. If you haven't done so already, please take a moment and fill it out completely to give us a record of your attendance. In addition, you may request prayers be said on your behalf today. Place your *Take Action* card in the offering plate as it comes around.

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

- ☐ **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**



# THE SACRAMENT

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*Huntersville Lutheran practices close communion, which means biblical conversation and confession with our church beforehand. It is our desire to share in the eternal blessings of this Sacrament according to the instructions that God himself gives. If you are new to Huntersville Lutheran, please know that many of those around you were at one time new, too. And, as you can see by their presence, this preliminary discussion has only brought us closer together to celebrate the Lord's Supper in the way he has prescribed. Contact our pastor at any time.*

## Introduction to the Lord's Supper

- L** Everyone ought to examine their hearts before partaking of the Lord's Supper. *1 Corinthians 11:28*
- C** **I confessed my transgressions to the Lord and he forgave the guilt of my sin.** *Psalm 32:5*
- L** Everyone ought to recognize the true body and blood of the Lord in this Supper. *1 Corinthians 11:29*
- C** **The bread that we break and the cup that we bless are a participation in the body and blood of Christ.** *1 Corinthians 10:16*
- L** Those partaking of the Lord's Supper are to be united in fellowship as one body.
- C** **Because there is one loaf, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.** *1 Corinthians 10:17*

## The Words of Institution

- L** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

- C** **Amen.**

## Lamb of God | *Angus Dei* |

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 your peace. A - men.

## Distribution

<sup>4</sup> John the Baptist declared Jesus to be the Lamb of God (*Angus Dei*), the sacrifice for sins, once for all. We join countless Christians in singing these words before receiving the very thing in this Supper that these words promise, sins taken away through the blood of Jesus.

## The Lord's Blessing

☐ The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

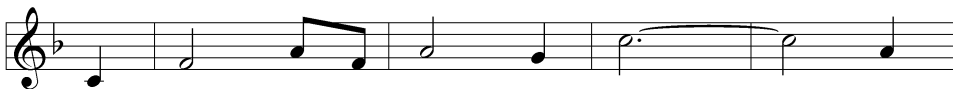
*Numbers 6:24*

☑ Amen.

## Song of Departure | *Amazing Grace*<sup>5</sup> |



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound—  
2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me;  
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares  
4 When we've been there ten thou - sand years,



That saved a wretch like me! I  
His Word my hope se - cures. He  
I have al - read - y come; 'Tis  
Bright shin - ing as the sun, We've



once was lost but now am found,  
will my shield and por - tion be  
grace has brought me safe thus far,  
no less days to sing God's praise



Was blind but now I see.  
As long as life en - dures.  
And grace will lead me home.  
Than when we'd first be - gun.

<sup>5</sup> One of the most well-known hymns in the world, "Amazing Grace" was written by John Newton, a slave trader and sea captain who knew well both sin and grace. Brought to faith by God, John Newton left that world behind and served as a pastor for 35 years. His grave marker in an England cemetery is engraved with words he wrote for himself: "John Newton, clerk, once an Infidel and Libertine, a servant of slavers in Africa, was, by the rich Mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, preserved, restored, pardoned, and appointed to preach the Faith he had long labored to destroy."



# Announcements

**Thank You |** You could have chosen to be anywhere this morning and you chose to spend it here, so thank you. To our guests and visitors this morning, we pray your time with us has been enjoyable. If you have any questions, feel free to speak with any of our members or pastor after the service.

**Want to Learn More? |** Aside from worship, one of the best way to learn more about Scripture and Huntersville Lutheran teaches is to join a Faithbuilders class. Faithbuilders is a class on the basics of Christianity and is our path to membership at HLC. Whether you are brand new to Christianity or a life-long believer, this class is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen your faith and grow in your relationship with your Savior. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please contact Pastor ([pastor@huntersvillelc.com](mailto:pastor@huntersvillelc.com)).

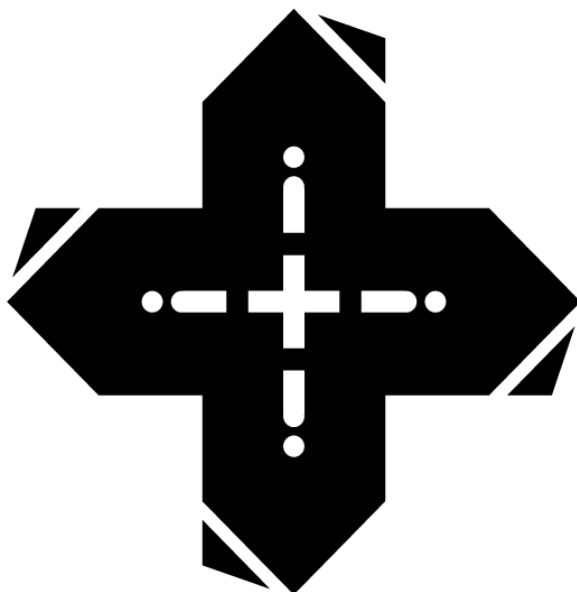
## **Communion at Huntersville Lutheran**

We believe what God's Word says. God's Word clearly teaches that along with the bread and wine we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26, 28; Mark 14:22, 24; Luke 22:19-22). Communion is important to us at Huntersville Lutheran and we seek to honor the biblical view of communion. Before coming up for communion, all adults should ask themselves these questions:

1. Do you confess your sins and seek to turn away from the sins you confessed?
2. Do you recognize that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross is the only way sin is forgiven?
3. Do you recognize that in the Sacrament of Communion you receive Jesus' true body and blood along with the bread and the wine?
4. Do you believe that the Bible *IS* God's inspired Word and does not just contain some truths of God?
5. Do you believe that Huntersville Lutheran Church teaches only the truth of God based on His inspired Word? (A summary of these teachings is taught in Faithbuilders, a class that runs multiple times throughout the year).

We ask that those who have not had the opportunity to understand our Scriptural confession and are unsure of the answers to the above questions would speak with the pastor before participating in the Lord's Supper this morning. It is our sincere desire to share in the blessings of the Lord's Supper with you according to the pattern Jesus himself has given in his Word.





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