June 22, 2025—Second Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Hymn **ELW #556 "*Morning Has Broken*"**



Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

First Reading **Isaiah 65:1-9**

[1] I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, “Here I am, here I am,”
to a nation that did not call on my name.
[2] I held out my hands all day long
to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;
[3] a people who provoke me
to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;
[4] who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat swine’s flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;
[5] who say, “Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.”
These are a smoke in my nostrils,
a fire that burns all day long.
[6] See, it is written before me:
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;
I will indeed repay into their laps
[7] their iniquities and their ancestors’ iniquities together,
says the LORD;
because they offered incense on the mountains
and reviled me on the hills,
I will measure into their laps
full payment for their actions.
[8] Thus says the LORD:
As the wine is found in the cluster,
and they say, “Do not destroy it,
for there is a blessing in it,”
so I will do for my servants’ sake,
and not destroy them all.
[9] I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;
my chosen shall inherit it,
and my servants shall settle there.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading **Galatians 3:23-29**

23 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be
revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be
justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, 26 for
in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. 27 As many of you as were baptized into
Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer
slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you
belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel **Luke 8:26-39**

26 Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.
27 As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had
worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he fell down
before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the
Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to
come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with
chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)
30 Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered
him. 31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to
let them enter these. So he gave them permission. 33 Then the demons came out of the man and
entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the
country. 35 Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they
found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right
mind. And they were afraid. 36 Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been
possessed by demons had been healed. 37 Then all the people of the surrounding country of the
Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat
and returned. 38 The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but
Jesus sent him away, saying, 39 "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for
you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day **W&P #126 "*Sing Out, Earth and Skies*"**



Closing Hymn **ELW #671 "*Shine, Jesus, Shine*"**



We thank today's celebrants:

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Organist: Paul Dykstra

Announcements

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