June 21, 2026—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude "*The Bamboula*" (African Dance) *from 23 Negro Melodies Op. 59 No. 8*
by Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

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



Prayer of the Day
Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: Amen.

First Reading **Jeremiah 20:7-13**

7 O Lord, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all day long;
everyone mocks me.
8 For whenever I speak, I must cry out;
I must 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,"
then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
10 For I hear many whispering:
"Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.
"Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him
and take our revenge on him."
11 But the Lord is with me like a terrifying warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.
12 O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous;
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

13 Sing to the Lord;
praise the Lord!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.
L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Anthem **"*Lift Every Voice and Sing*" with Text by James Weldon Johnson and Music by J. Rosamond Johnson arr. Craig Courtney quoting *Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen,* Traditional Spiritual**

Second Reading **Romans 6:1b-11**

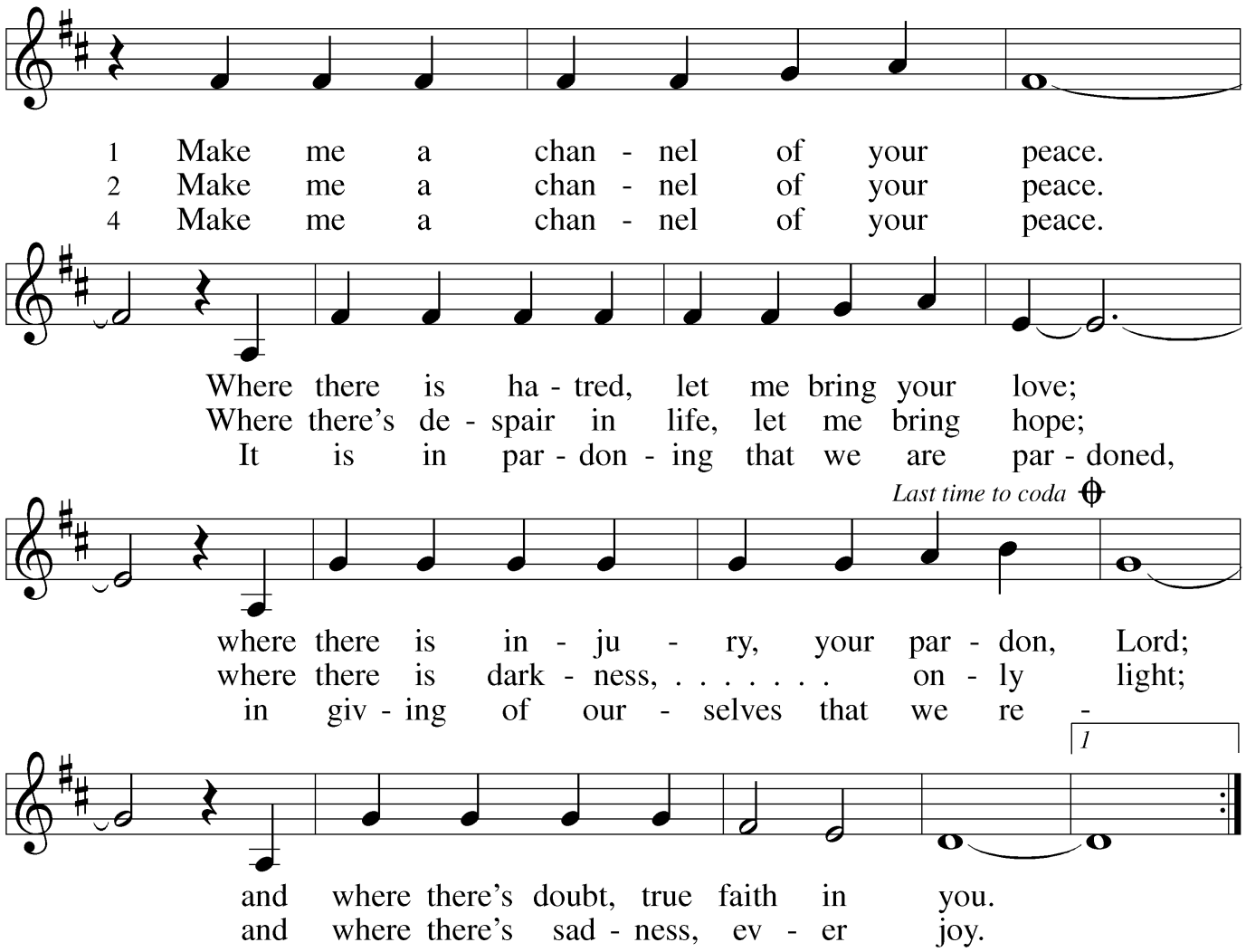
1b Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? 2 By no means! How can we who
died to sin go on living in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus
were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that,
just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in
newness of life.
5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a
resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin
might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For whoever has died is freed from
sin. 8 But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ,
being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 The
death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 So you also must
consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.
L: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel **Matthew 10:24-39**

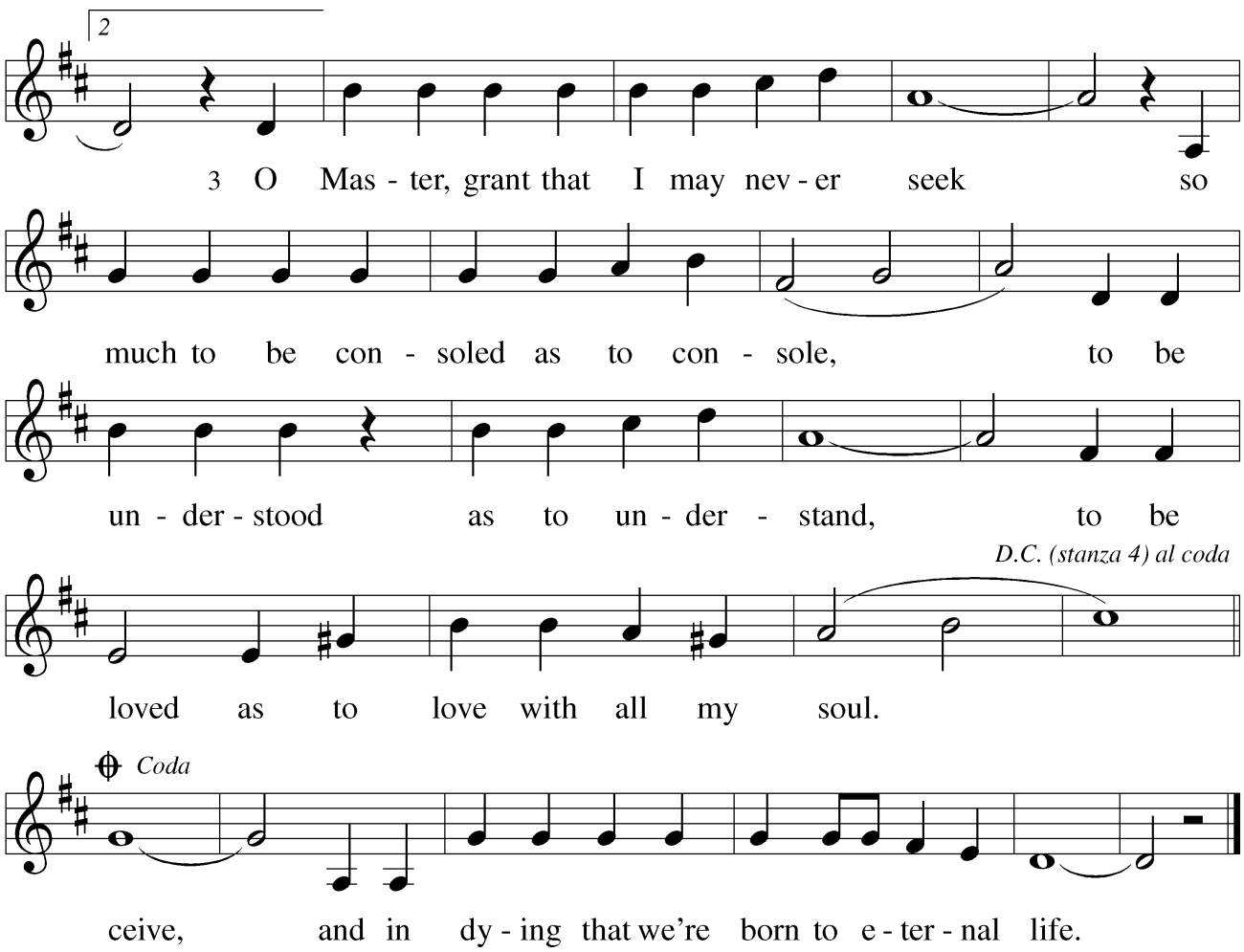
[Jesus said to the twelve:] 24 "A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; 25 it
is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the
master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!
26 "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing
secret that will not become known. 27 What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you
hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. 28 Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill
the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows
sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. 30 And even
the hairs of your head are all counted. 31 So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many
sparrows.
32 "Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my
Father in heaven, 33 but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in
heaven.

[34] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but
a sword.
[35] For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law,
[36] and one's foes will be members of one's own household.
[37] "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or
daughter more than me is not worthy of me, [38] and whoever does not take up the cross and follow
me is not worthy of me. [39] Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my
sake will find it."
P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day **W&P #95** ***"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"***



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Communion Anthem **"*He Had a Dream*" text by Manuel McLin and music by Lena J McLin**

Closing Hymn **ELW #439 *"Soon and very soon"***



Postlude **"*Festal March in G dur*" by Florence B. Price**

Today's celebrants:
Pastor: Rev. Nicholas Zook
Deacon: Kim Baratta
Lectors: Marne Turner
Soloists: Marisa Mladenovic, Benjamin Burney, Avery Sujkowski
Organist & Choir Director: Paul Dykstra

Announcements

Pastor Zook will be on vacation from June 22nd – July 8th. Pastor Dan Shutters will be leading worship on June 28th and July 5th. Should a pastoral need arise during this time, please reach out to Desirae or Pastor Zook directly.

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

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Closing Hymn **ELW #439** ***"Soon and very soon"***

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