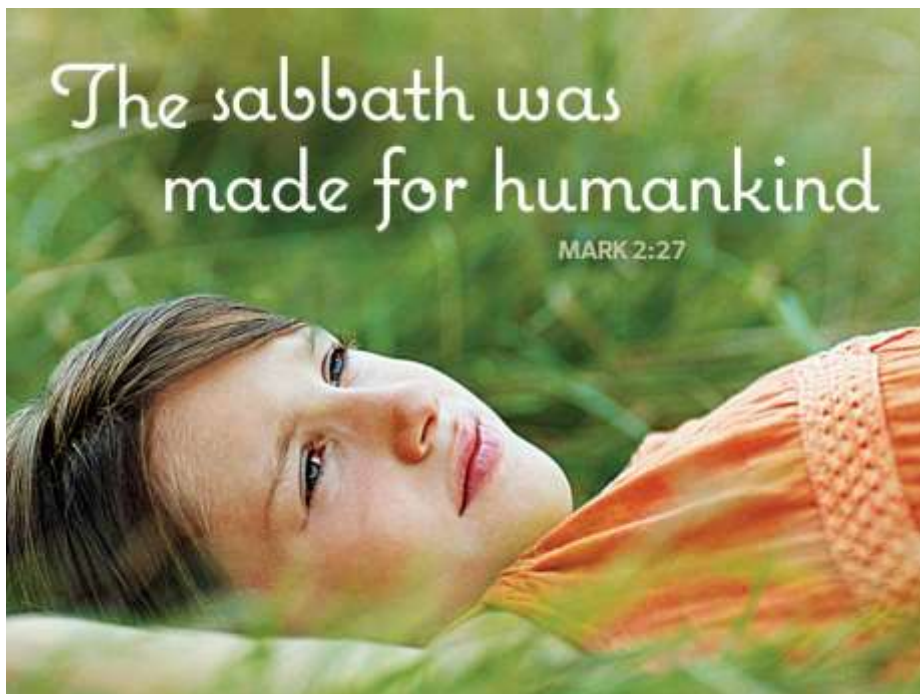


# *Second Sunday after Pentecost*



*June 2, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.*

*Kviteseid Lutheran Church  
308 North Third Street  
Milan, Minnesota*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Welcome to worship at Kviteseid Lutheran Church...* We gather to “sing aloud to God our strength; to shout for joy to the God of Jacob” (Psalm 81:1, NRSV).

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING HYMN** “Dearest Jesus, at Your Word” ELW #520

## INTRODUCTION FOR THE DAY

*Sabbath-keeping is meant for the welfare of all, according to Deuteronomy. God delivered the Israelites out of slavery, so they should observe this freedom with a day of rest. No one should work seven days a week; even slaves and foreigners should be able to rest. Yet human beings can turn even the most liberating religious practice into a life-destroying rule. Jesus does not reject sabbath-keeping, but defends its original life-enhancing meaning. Our worship and our religious way of life are to lead to restoration: the hungry being fed and the sick being healed.*

## \*\*CALL TO WORSHIP

P We do not proclaim ourselves;  
we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord  
and ourselves as servants for Jesus’ sake. 2 Cor. 4:5–6

**C For God has shone in our hearts  
to give knowledge of the glory of God.**

P Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!

**C The Lord’s name be praised!**

## \*\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Even before we speak, God knows our wrongs. Ps. 139:4  
Yet our repentance opens our hearts to God,  
who is waiting to hear us and forgive us.  
Let us confess all that separates us from God and others.

**C God who formed our inward parts and knows our hearts,  
forgive us.** Ps. 139:4, 13

**Instead of acknowledging you as our God,  
we make our own idols.**

**Instead of proclaiming Jesus Christ as our Lord,  
we proclaim ourselves.** 2 Cor. 4:5

**Instead of turning to the Holy Spirit,  
we attempt to attain your way in our own understanding.**

**Redirect our wrong ways  
and lead us to the ways that make Jesus visible in our lives. Amen.** 2 Cor. 4:7

P In Christ we died to our old selves and became new creations. 2 Cor. 4:5, 11-12  
Therefore we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord,  
and the life of Jesus is in us.

C **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE “Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing” (vs. 1, 3-5) ELW #389

### 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

P Let us pray.

C **Almighty and ever-living God, throughout time you free the oppressed, heal the sick, and make whole all that you have made. Look with compassion on the world wounded by sin, and by your power restore us to wholeness of life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### LESSON: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

*At a time when visions are rare and unexpected, the Lord comes to Samuel and calls him to speak the divine word. Though just a boy, Samuel responds to God obediently, as Eli the priest has taught him to respond. This marks the beginning of Samuel’s prophetic ministry.*

### PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18

L <sup>1</sup>LORD, you have searched me out; O LORD, you have known me.

C <sup>2</sup>**You know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.**

L <sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my resting-places  
and are acquainted with all my ways.

C <sup>4</sup>**Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.**

L <sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

C <sup>6</sup>**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.**

L <sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my inmost parts;  
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

C <sup>14</sup>**I will thank you because I am marvelously made;  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.**

- L <sup>15</sup>My body was not hidden from you,  
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- C <sup>16</sup>**Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were  
written in your book; my days were fashioned before they came to be.**
- L <sup>17</sup>How deep I find your thoughts, O God! How great is the sum of them!
- C <sup>18</sup>**If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.**

**LESSON: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12**

*When we carry out God's ministry we do so not for our glory but for the sake of  
Jesus Christ whom we proclaim as Lord. The power for ministry comes from God,  
not us, so that we persevere no matter what, trusting in God's power and promises at  
work through us.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> chapters.

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

**GOSPEL: Mark 2:23 - 3:6**

*Jesus challenges the prevailing interpretation of what is lawful on the sabbath and  
tells his critics that the sabbath was made for humankind, not the other way around.  
Healing the man with the withered hand is work that cannot wait until the next day.*

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

**SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

“O Day of Rest and Gladness”

ELW #521

**APOSTLES' 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 Pilot,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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

*Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:*

**P** Merciful God,

**C** receive our prayer.

*The prayers are concluded with these words:*

**P** Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid,  
through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

**C** Amen.

## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE** “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #186

## \*\*OFFERING PRAYER

**C** God of every harvest,  
we offer our lives and the fruit of our labors to you  
that we may proclaim the life of Jesus Christ,  
the true gift to all. Amen.

*2 Cor. 4:5–12*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

## \*\* BLESSING

**P** May the love of our creator,  
the peace of the Lord of Sabbath,  
and the power of the Holy Spirit  
be upon you and shine through you.

*Ps. 139:13–14*

*Deut. 5:14*

*2 Cor. 4:6*

**C** Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** “Savior, Again to Your Dear Name”

ELW #534

## DISMISSAL

**P** Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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