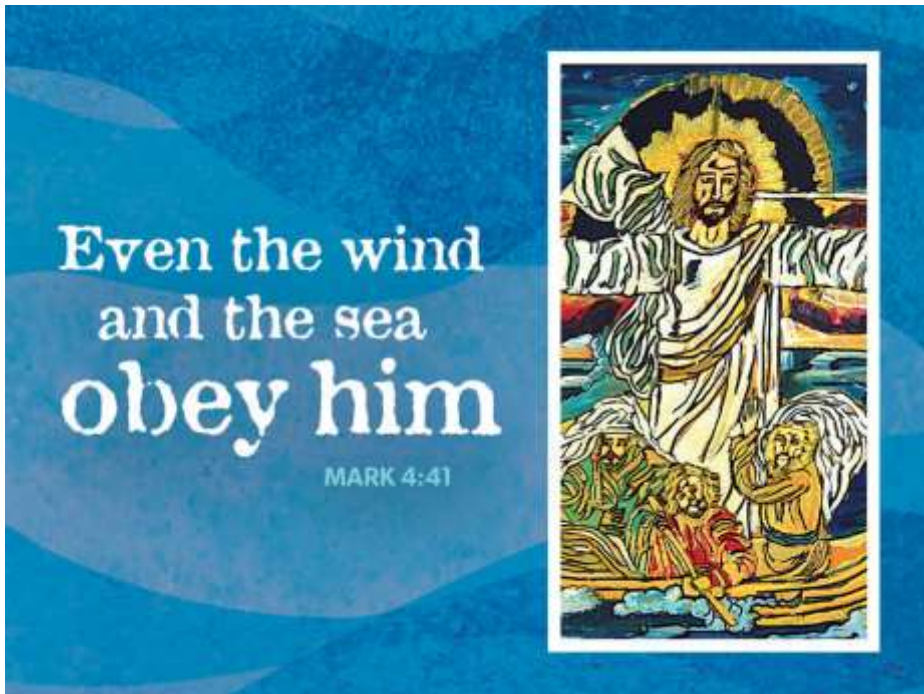


Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



June 23, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

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

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to Kviteseid Lutheran Church... On this first official Sunday of summer, we greet you in the bright, warm love of Jesus! Welcome to worship.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “When Peace like a River (*It Is Well with My Soul*)” ELW #785

INTRODUCTION FOR THE DAY

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God’s word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P In the midst of life’s storms, God is there.

C What have we to fear?

P In the darkness and terror, God is with us.

C Of whom shall we be afraid?

P Rise up, people of God, for you are loved and saved.

C Thanks be to God who cares deeply for us. Amen.

** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P We strive to be strong and self-sufficient,
but in truth we are in constant need of grace.
In penitence and faith, let us confess our weakness to God and to one another.

**C Most merciful God, forgive us.
We imagine that we can live without you,
when you give us our very breath.
We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity.
We allow fear to overtake us,
even though our lives are in your hands.
Draw us back into your steadfast love
and shape us into the likeness of your Son,
Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Mark 4:35–41

P Sisters and brothers, the good news is this: grace is poured out like water; mercy flows like a never-ending stream, bathing us in goodness and love. Live, then, as those who have received new life, rejoicing in your baptism. Amen.

SUFFRAGES

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,
C have mercy on us.

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.

APOSTLES' CREED

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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.

SUFFRAGES

P O Lord, I cry to you for help.

C In the morning my prayer comes before you.

P Let my mouth be full of your praise

C and your glory all the day long.

P Every day will I bless you,

C and praise your name forever and ever.

P Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,

C O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

P Bless the Lord, O my soul,
C **and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.**

P You redeem my life from the grave,
C **and crown me with mercy and steadfast love.**

P Lord, hear my prayer,
C **and let my cry come before you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

ELW #773

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 The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

LESSON: 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-5, 19-21, 32-50

In this passage, the description of the soldier Goliath vividly depicts the superiority of Philistine military might. In contrast, young David is armed with a slingshot and faith in God. David's victory witnesses to the whole earth that "there is a God in Israel."

PSALM 9:9-20

L ⁹You, O LORD, will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in time of trouble.

C ¹⁰**Those who know your name will put their trust in you, for you never forsake those who seek you, O LORD.**

L ¹¹Sing praise to the LORD who dwells in Zion;
proclaim to the peoples the things God has done.

C ¹²**The avenger of blood will remember them and will not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

L ¹³Be gracious to me, O LORD; see the misery I suffer from those who hate me, you that lift me up from the gates of death;

C ¹⁴**so that I may tell of all your praises and rejoice in your salvation in the gates of the city of Zion.**

L ¹⁵The nations have fallen into the pit they dug; in the snare they set, their own foot is caught.

C ¹⁶**The LORD is revealed in acts of justice; the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.**

L ¹⁷The nations go down to the grave, all the peoples that forget God.

C ¹⁸**For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor shall the hope of the poor be taken away.**

L ¹⁹Rise up, O LORD, let not mortals have the upper hand; let the nations be judged before you.

C ²⁰**Put them in fear, O LORD; let the nations know they are but mortal.**

LESSON: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Paul and his fellow workers experience great hardships and even rejection while carrying out their missionary work. Nevertheless, Paul continuously proclaims that God has not rejected us but is graciously working for our salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 4th chapter.

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

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

Jesus' calming of the storm on the sea reveals his power over evil, since the sea represents evil and chaos. The boat on the sea is a symbol of the church and invites us to trust God amid life's turbulence.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

ELW #756

SHARING THE PEACE

P A word of peace can have awesome power.
Let us share signs of this peace in the name of the One we follow.

P The peace of Christ be with you.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

ELW #884

****OFFERING PRAYER**

P How grateful we are, O God, that you call us to serve with the Holy Spirit,
who fills us with patience and generosity and genuine love. *2 Cor. 6:6*
We pray that all we return to you will be used faithfully
in ministry to the world. In the name of Christ, we ask it.

C **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.**

****CHARGE**

P In every circumstance, trust in God, who has great power to save and keep us.

****BLESSING**

P May the power of God uphold you, the peace of Christ rest upon you,
and the Holy Spirit defend you, now and always.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN “My Life Flows On in Endless Song” ELW #763

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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