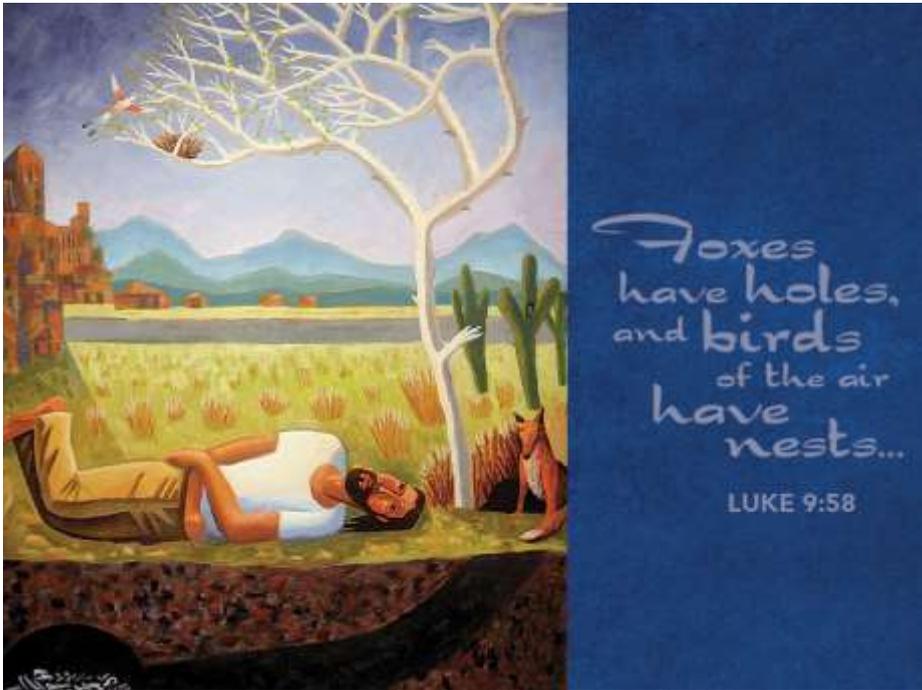


Third Sunday after Pentecost



June 26, 2022 | 10:30 a.m.

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

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to Kviteseid Lutheran Church... As we gather for worship, I welcome you — and please turn and welcome one another — in the name of Jesus Christ.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “O God of Mercy, God of Light” (vs. 1-4) ELW #714

INTRODUCTION

We have no good apart from God. That makes Jesus’ call to follow him an invitation to freedom. This is freedom to revel in the Spirit’s fruit: love, joy, peace, and patience. This is freedom to not be imprisoned by anything that would keep us from the fullness of the life God has given us. This is the path of life.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P Throughout the ages, disciples have said, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

C Lord, give us the freedom to follow you in the ways of love.

P We come from busy homes, filled with little time to consider Christ in our lives.

C Lord, give us the strength to follow you in the ways of peace.

P In times of struggle, we look to God for help.

C Lord, give us the opportunity to follow you in the ways of kindness.

P Today, we celebrate the Holy Spirit, who shows us the joy of following God.

C Lord, give us the patience to follow you in the ways of faith. Amen.

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *2 Corinthians 13:13*

C And also with you.

DIALOG

Deut. 26, 11, 8

P You are the treasured people of the LORD,

C a people holy to the LORD our God.

P Keep the words of the LORD in your heart; teach them to your children.

**C Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away,
when you lie down and when you rise.**

P One does not live by bread alone,

C but by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

SCRIPTURE SONG

“Word of God, Come Down on Earth”

ELW #510

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **Sovereign God, ruler of all hearts, you call us to obey you, and you favor us with true freedom. Keep us faithful to the ways of your Son, that, leaving behind all that hinders us, we may steadfastly follow your paths, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.****HYMN**

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

ELW #697

LESSON: 2 Kings 2:1-14

Elijah’s ministry is finished as he is taken up into heaven, and a new chapter begins as Elisha inherits the mantle and the spirit of his teacher. Like the great prophet Moses before them, both Elijah and Elisha part a body of water through the power of God.

PSALM 16L ¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”C ²**All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**L ³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.C ⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,
never take their names upon my lips.**L ⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.C ⁶**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.**L ⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night after night.C ⁸**I have set the LORD always before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.**L ⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.C ¹⁰**For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.**L ¹¹You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

LESSON: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

For Paul, the freedom Christ gives is not permission to do whatever we want. It is the invitation to be what we could not be otherwise. The power and guidance of Christ's Holy Spirit produce a different kind of life, one marked by the fruit of this Holy Spirit.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 9th chapter.

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

GOSPEL: Luke 9:51-62

Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar single-mindedness.

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

“O Master, Let Me Walk with You”

ELW #818

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

P In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C **We believe in him and are marked with the seal
of the promised Holy Spirit.**

Ephesians 1:13-14

APOSTLES' CREED

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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.**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

P Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

C **pray in the Holy Spirit.**

Jude 20

P Keep yourselves in the love of God;

C **look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jude 21

P If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C **Everything old has passed away;
behold, everything has become new!**

2 Corinthians 5:17

P God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.
Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

P Gracious God,

C **have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

C **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

P Disciples have said to their teachers, "I will follow you wherever you go."

May the peace of Christ follow you wherever you go:
at home, at work, and in the world.

Let us turn to one another and offer signs of this peace in our lives.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW #186

OFFERING PRAYER

P Receive our humble offerings, O Lord, for your work in the world. Bless those who give, those who send, and those who will receive these gifts. May our offering sow seeds of hope and bear the fruit of love wherever they are sown.

C **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with these words:

P God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

The prayers are concluded with these words:

P God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit,
we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.

C **Amen.**

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 transforming love of God
work in your lives, today and always.
Go forth into the world with peace, love, and joy.
Follow Christ wherever he leads you.
Fulfill the promise found in the fruit of the Spirit.

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

ELW #810

(Alt. tune: ELW #820)

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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