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A Service of Resurrection and Hope for Hunter Timothy Thompson

September 4, 2020, 2:00PM

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Memphis, TN

A Mighty Fortress LSB 656

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken.
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe; Deep guile and great might
Are his dread arms in fight; On earth is not his equal.
- 2 With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, Of Sabaoth Lord,
And there's none other God; He holds the field forever.
- 3 Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpower us.
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done; One little word can fell him.
- 4 The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife, Though these all be gone, Our
vict'ry has been won; The Kingdom ours remaineth.

COMMENDATION

Pastor: As the church brings a new Christian into the fellowship of faith through the waters of Holy Baptism and sustains that faith through God's Word and Sacrament, God has given us the task of sharing His love. In sharing God's love we declare, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life." Then, at the death of one of God's saints, the voice of God's people is heard again proclaiming the sure and certain hope in the resurrection of the dead through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the source of all mercy and the God of all consolation. He comforts us in all sorrows so that we can comfort others in their sorrow with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE INVOCATION

Pastor: We gather today to give strength and comfort to one another in the name of the living God. In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Let us share and speak the Word of life to one another.

People: You give us the gift of eternal life, Almighty Father, so we live.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ have mercy upon us.

All: Lord, have mercy upon us.

PASTORAL GREETING

Pastor: May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who loves us and gave us an everlasting and a good hope through grace, inwardly comfort your hearts and strengthen you in all things. The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray...O God of grace and mercy, we give thanks for your loving kindness to all Your saints who, having finished their course in faith, now rest from their labors. Grant that we also may be faithful until death and receive the crown of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Proverbs 3:1-10

¹ My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments, ² for length of days and years of life and peace they will add to you. ³ Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart. ⁴ So you will find favor and good success^[a] in the sight of God and man. ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. ⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil. ⁸ It will be healing to your flesh^[b] and refreshment^[c] to your bones. ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; ¹⁰ then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Revelations 21:1-4

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place^[a] of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people,^[b] and God himself will be with them as their God.^[c] ⁴He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 6:25-34 NIV

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life^[a]? ²⁸“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH – *The Apostles’ Creed (spoken in unison)*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN "Jesus, Lead Thou On" LSB 718

- 1 Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand To our fatherland.
- 2 If the way be drear, If the foe be near,
Let not faithless fears o'ertake us;
Let not faith and hope forsake us;
For through many a woe To our home we go.
- 3 When we seek relief From a long-felt grief,
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring.
Show us that bright shore Where we weep no more.
- 4 Jesus, lead Thou on Till our rest is won.
Heav'nly leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand In our fatherland.

THE MESSAGE "But What About Tomorrow" Reverend Greg Prauner

THE RESPONSIVE

Pastor: Let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am the Resurrection and I am the Life." Lord, draw near to those of us who mourn for Hunter and dry the tears of those who weep. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Grant to all who mourn, a sure confidence in Your fatherly care that, casting all our sorrow on You, we may know the consolation of Your love. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that we may have strength to meet the days ahead in comfort of a holy and certain hope, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those whom we love. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: Help us, we pray, in the midst of things we cannot understand, to believe and trust in Your promises of forgiveness, comfort, strength and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks because of His death. He destroyed the power of death, and by His resurrection He has opened the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because He lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, shall be able to separate us from Your love which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People. Amen.

COMMITTAL

LORD'S PRAYER *Matthew 6:9-13*

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.

BENEDICTION

PRAYER

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

HYMN **“Lift High the Cross” LSB 837**

- 1 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.
 Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,

- 2 Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God.
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 3 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
 The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine.
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 4 All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
 Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 5 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
 As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee.
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 6 Let ev’ry race and ev’ry language tell
 Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

- 7 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
 Praise to the Crucified for victory!
 Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
 Till all the world adore His sacred name.

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Hunter Timothy Thompson

JANUARY 7, 1997 – AUGUST 28, 2020

Hunter Timothy Thompson, born January 7, 1997, passed away Friday August 28th at Regional One trauma center at the age of 23. Hunter is a graduate of St. Benedict at Auburndale (class of 2015) and the University of Memphis (class of 2019). Hunter had just finished his first year at the University Of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School Of Law. Known for his big energetic smile and bubbly personality, he instantly made friends wherever he went. He had a love for all sports, especially his Ohio State Buckeye's and Columbus Blue Jackets. Hunter was a member of Immanuel Luther Church where he was an usher and helped with other tasks associated with the church. We will miss Hunter's love for comedy, concern for others, over the top passion of college sports, and beautiful personality. We will remember Hunter and his vision of life through his confirmation verse Matthew 6:34 (NIV), "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." Hunter is survived by his father Tim Thompson and stepmother Kimberly Thompson, brother Hayden Thompson and sister Aislinn Parker; as well as grandparents Carol Carr and John Carr of Bartlett, Tennessee. He is preceded in death by his mother, Tami Thompson, and Grandparents Robert Fisher, Margaret Thompson, and Jim Thompson. A funeral service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bartlett at 2pm on Friday, September 4th. Memorials may be given on behalf of Hunter for Immanuel Lutheran School by following this link <https://onrealm.org/ilcmemphis/-/give/now>

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