

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



**LUKE
17**

“SET

13:10—

FREE”

**In the fullness of time,
God will act to set all things right**

**11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 25, 2019**

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SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER FROM WITH ONE VOICE

GATHER

*Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.
BOLD indicates congregational responses.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH NEWS

GREETING

WOV pg. 46

P: The Word is near you,

C: on your lips and in your heart.

P: If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

C: and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

P: Faith comes from what is heard,

C: and what is heard comes through the Word of Christ.

HYMN

"Come, We That Love the Lord"

ELW #625

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(prayed together)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: O God, mighty and immortal, You know that as fragile creatures surrounded by great dangers, we cannot by ourselves stand upright. Give us strength of

9:00 am Dirty Collar Workers

Tue-27 8:30 am Preschool
10:30 am **Clothing Closet Work Day (Parsonage)**

Wed-28 8:30 am Preschool
NO Chapel Voices

Thur-29 8:30 am Preschool
10:00 am Prayer Ministry

BOLD means not a weekly event or a change of some importance

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Ruth Benoy, Jeff Coffey, Amelia Edwards, Heath Hasket, Hannah Wilson, Michael Hobbs, Travis Hogue, Pam Myers, Harry Nicholson, Sam & Lara Raisanen, Martin Salois, Pastor Peter Setzer, Mary Ann Sheridan, Sharon Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, Dana Williams, and Lulu Zizak.

WEEK 35: AUGUST 25, 2019—SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Sun-25 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:20-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 119:1-88
Mon-26 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 8—Evening Reading: Psalms 119:89-176
Tue-27 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 9—Evening Reading: Psalms 120, 121, 122
Wed-28 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-18—Evening Reading: Psalms 123, 124, 125
Thur-29 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:19-33—Evening Reading: Psalms 126, 127, 128
Fri-30 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:1-16—Evening Reading: Psalms 129, 130, 131
Sat-31 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 17-34—Evening Reading: Psalms 132, 133, 134
Sun-1 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 12—Evening Reading: Psalms 135, 136

Song of Praise "God Himself Is Present" LBW #249

Next Sundays Lessons for September 1, 2019

8:30 Early Service: Luke 2:1—20 "The Birth of the Christ"

9:30 Adult Sunday School: Genesis 19:1, 15—26, 29 "God Is Merciful"

10:30 Service: Luke 14:1, 7-14 "An Invitation to Dinner"

This QR code goes straight to the Daily prayers page on the website that list the commemorations for the week.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019—SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2019

Sun-25 8:30 am Early Service (Communion) (Memorial Chapel)
 9:00 am Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
 9:15 am Opening for Children's Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall)
 9:30 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Announcements and Late Service (Sanctuary)
Blessing of the Backpacks
NO Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (AA) (Fellowship Hall)



Mon-26 8:30 am Preschool begins 2019—2020 School Year

mind and body, so that even when we suffer because of human sin, we may rise victorious through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Amy Carpenter

CHILDREN'S CHURCH DISMISSAL TIME Wanda Anthony

This is an opportunity for children 3rd grade and under to learn about God in an interactive way. We will be in the Fellowship Hall during the readings and sermon and return during the hymn of the day. (pass prayer cards to the ushers)

ANTHEM **CHAPEL VOICES**
"Praise, Praise! You Are My Rock" Rusty Edwards, b. 1955

FIRST READING **ISAIAH 59:9b—14**

The Lord promises those who have returned from exile that where justice and mercy prevail, the ruins will be rebuilt and light will rise in the darkness. It is a day for new beginnings.

^{9b}If you remove the yoke from among you,
 the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry
 and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
 then your light shall rise in the darkness
 and your gloom be like the noonday.
¹¹The LORD will guide you continually,
 and satisfy your needs in parched places,
 and make your bones strong;
 and you shall be like a watered garden,
 like a spring of water,
 whose waters never fail.
¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
 you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
 you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
 the restorer of streets to live in.
¹³If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,
 from pursuing your own interests on My holy day;
 if you call the Sabbath a delight
 and the holy day of the LORD honorable;
 if you honor it, not going your own ways,
 serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103

“The Lord Is Kind and Merciful”

Marty Haugen, 1950

THE SECOND LESSON
29

HEBREWS 12:18—

Using images of Moses from the Old Testament, the writer presents a striking vision of the new covenant of God made possible in Christ. There is no longer fear; only awe in the new promise in Christ into which we are invited.

CONFIRMATION SEMINAR: Our first confirmation seminar, for students in 6th—8th grade, will be on **Friday, September 27** from 6:30—8:30 pm in the Youth Room. A light supper will be provided. Please contact Pastor Comer with any questions.

FALL FESTIVAL: Please join Christian Ed on **Sunday, September 29th** for food, and fellowship at our Fall Festival immediately following the 10:30 am worship service. We will be providing BBQ, hot dogs and all the fixin’s. We are asking church members to bring a dessert to share. There will be bounce houses, corn ole and more!

SAVE THE DATE: The WELCA sponsored “*Over 60 Banquet*” is scheduled for **Sunday, October 20th** immediately following the 10:30 worship service in the Family Life Center. Please mark your calendars to join us for delicious food, great entertainment and fun fellowship!

NEW MINISTRY: There is a new Ministry here at Lutheran Chapel—The Prayer Ministry Team. Our goal for this Ministry is that all would experience the power of the Holy Spirit working in our lives and fostering a more intimate relationship with God. We want to restart our Prayer Shawl Ministry, have Bible Study focusing on improving our Prayer life, and prayer vigils at special times. We are looking for Prayer Warriors who will spend time each week praying for all the needs and requests of the church. We are open to any and all ideas that can help in our prayer life (Bible bookmarks, monthly parents prayer program, etc.). We want to gather for prayer and review resources/ideas to help meet the prayer needs of the church. Would you join us in this mission as we work together to experience the power of prayer? Please contact Kathy Carpenter for meeting details—see you each **Thursday at 10:00 am**. (Kathy 704-214-2493 or email her at katherinecarpenter@yahoo.com).

REMINDER: If you unlock a door at the church please remember to **lock** it. We have been coming in, in the mornings and finding doors unlocked when we know they were locked the day before. Thank you.

JUST A REMINDER: If you do not wish to take your bulletin home please put it in the recycle bins when exiting the church. Thank you.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD (Psalm 1:2). A prayer list, daily lessons to read the Bible together each year, and a song of praise are below. The “*Our Daily Bread*” devotional is available as a booklet, an app in eBook format, daily e-mail, or podcast. Visit odb.org/subscribe. Fill out a prayer card to share or notify the church office with concerns.

PARISH LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Braylon Beam, Donna Carpenter, Jerry Carpenter, Hunter Clark, Kathy Finch, Jerry Fogle, Ken Lentz, Cathy Lloyd, Betty Petty, and Bill Robinson.

PARISH NEWS

LC SPROUTS MINISTRIES: All elementary children (1st—5th grade) are invited to our first meeting on **Wednesday, September 4th** from 6—7 pm in the elementary Sunday school classroom.

ROOTED IN CHRIST MINISTRIES: all youth (6th—12th grade) are invited to our first meeting on **Sunday, September 8th** at 5:00 pm in the Youth Room. Devotions and an activity will be from 5—6 pm followed by Crossroads Choir/open gym from 6—6:30 pm. A light dinner will be provided at 6:30 pm. Parent volunteers are needed. Please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org with any questions.

CPR/AED TRAINING: September Brotherhood Meeting (all welcome!), **Tuesday, September 10th** at 5:30pm, Training at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. We are excited to partner with the City of Gastonia Fire Department and Paramedics to offer CPR/AED (defibrillator) training and certification for up to **40** Lutheran Chapel members at the September 10th Brotherhood meeting on Tuesday, September 10th. This training will begin at 6:00 pm and last approximately 3 hours. There is no cost for the training but a nominal charge per person if you would like to receive official documentation on certification. Brotherhood will offer dinner and have a brief meeting prior to training at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. A love offering will be accepted to offset the cost of the meal. If you are interested in participating in the CPR/AED training sign-up is first come, first serve for up to **40** people. Contact Katherine Sanders (bakersanders@earthlink.net or 704-616-8779) to sign-up. No sign-up needed if you would just like to come for dinner and fellowship with Brotherhood and participants.

OWLS: Anyone who considers themselves an older, wiser Lutheran is welcome to come enjoy dinner at Cracker Barrel at 5:30 pm on **Thursday, September 12**. Please let Amy know if you are able to attend by Tuesday, September 10th. Since the Cracker Barrel parking lot is so small, it may be a good idea to carpool with a friend! Hope to see you there!

MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: The Jamison family has graciously invited the middle and high school youth and their families to a cookout at their home on **Sunday, September 15th** from 1:30—4:30 pm. This will be a wonderful opportunity for fun and fellowship for our youth and a great way to kick off the new church year!

YOUTH PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: After the middle and high school youth group meets from 5—6 pm in the Youth Room on Sunday nights, we are in need of youth parent volunteers to supervise open gym and dinner from 6—7 pm. Please contact Amy Carpenter at amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org if you are willing to help.

THE CLOTHING CLOSET WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, FROM 10:00 am—2:00 pm: If you know of anyone in need of clothing please let them know.

¹⁸You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.") ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time His voice shook the earth; but now He has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." ²⁷This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 1:1, Luke 24:32

WOV pg. 48

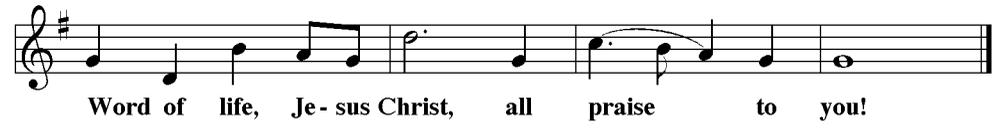




Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip- tures.



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!



Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

***GOSPEL**

LUKE 13:10—17

Response after the announcement.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus heals a woman on the Sabbath, offering her a new beginning for her life. When challenged by a narrow reading of the Sabbath command, Jesus responds by expanding “Sabbath work” to include setting people free from bondage.

¹⁰Now [Jesus] was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, He called her over and said, “Woman, you are set free from your ailment.” ¹³When He laid His hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, “There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the Sabbath day.” ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, “You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?” ¹⁷When He said this, all His opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that He was doing.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.
MESSAGE**

“Set Free”

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.

SENDING

***THE BLESSING**

WOV pg. 53

***RECESSIONAL HYMN**

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

ELW #537

***THE DISMISSAL—LUTHERAN CHAPEL CHILDREN AND POSTLUDE**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

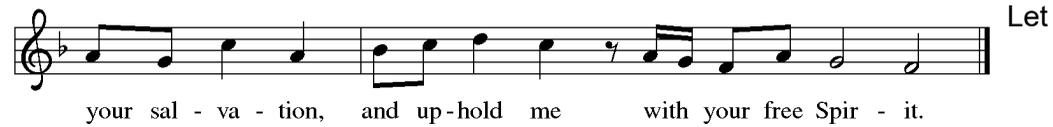
C: Thanks be to God.

OUR ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN by Bob and Lucinda Thornburg in memory of Kathryn and Bill Thornburg.

THOSE WHO SERVE AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019

Ministers.....	People of Lutheran Chapel Church
Pastor (P).....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Claudia Zibell
Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministry.....	Amy Carpenter
Nursery Attendant.....	Charlie Jones
Organist.....	Lisa Burch
Music Director.....	Roger Myers
Music Director.....	Jeanette Myers
Acolyte.....	Olivia Berghello
Crucifer.....	Mary Scott Robinson
Assistant Minister (AM).....	Baker Sanders
Lector.....	Baker Sanders
Ushers.....	Scott Swindler, Marty Lineberger, Don Boyette, Mark Goedl
Council Members.....	Katherine Sanders & Josh Carpenter
Altar Guild.....	Sara Carpenter
Helping Hands.....	Debra Hoffman

AM:
us
pray.
Mer-
ciful
God,



C: blessed are You, O God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered in feeding the world with Your love, through the one who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1—4

AM: Treasuring Your promise to hear us when we call, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of Your creation.

A brief silence.

AM: Lord of mercy, we cry to You for help, trusting in Your compassion for Your whole creation. Raise up the baptized to offer Christ's healing and forgiveness to all in distress. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

Prayers conclude:

P: All these things and more we ask in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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,**

Eighteen Years

The Fullness of Time

Set Free in Jesus Christ

THE LAW is an aspect of God's Word that shows sin and brokenness: Am I self-righteous like the religious authorities in the story? Do I insist on putting God in my box and getting trapped in rules and more rules?

THE GOSPEL is an aspect of God's Word that comforts and saves in Christ: Jesus sets us free in the delight of His love, His right teaching on Sabbath, and the fulfillment He promises for all who trust in Him.

FOR DISCIPLESHIP—Learning of and from Jesus: Keep the Sabbath. Take more naps and celebrate life more often remembering you are free and loved in Christ. What is your take away for your walk with Christ?

*HYMN OF THE DAY

"Drawn to the Light"

ELW #593

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

WOV pg. 49

AM: 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.

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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have not received the gift of baptism or would like to affirm your faith in Jesus and join His mission here, please indicate this on the prayer card and talk to an usher or the pastor.

**C: 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.

AM: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith:

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

AM: Keep yourselves in the love of God;

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

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

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

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

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

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.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22—24: Ephesians 4:1—3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, 2 Corinthians 9:7—8

ANTHEM

“Bless The Lord, O My Soul”

CHANCEL CHOIR

Carl J. Nygard, Jr.

*CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART

Psalm 51

ELW #186

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of