# **LUTHERAN CHAPEL**



## **MATTHEW 16:21-28**

# "LIVING CONFLICT"

What does it mean to be the Christ? Peter cannot accept the suffering Christ - surely Jesus must be mistaken, right? The sacrificial love of Christ challenges us all.

# 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 30, 2020

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### LUTHERAN CHAPEL AUGUST 30, 2020 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER

**BOLD** indicates congregational responses.

#### **GATHER**

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**PRELUDE** 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GREETING** 

Psalm 122:1; Psalm 127:1; Genesis 28:16-17

P: We gather together in the name of the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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P: Oh, come let us worship!

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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### WORD

#### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

#### FIRST READING JEREMIAH 15:15-21

Jeremiah's delight in the word of the LORD is contradicted by the heaviness of God's hand upon him and God's seeming unfaithfulness. God's tough love to Jeremiah says that if he repents, he will be allowed to continue in his strenuous ministry. Jeremiah is strengthened by the simple words, "I am with you."

<sup>15</sup>O Lord, you know;

remember me and visit me,

and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.

In your forbearance do not take me away;

know that on your account I suffer insult.

<sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart;

for I am called by your name,

O LORD, God of hosts.

<sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice;

under the weight of your hand I sat alone,

for you had filled me with indignation.

<sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable,

refusing to be healed?

Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them.
<sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you to save you and deliver you,
says the LORD.

<sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.



<sup>1</sup>Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity;

I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

<sup>2</sup>Test me, O Lord and try me; examine my heart and my mind.

<sup>3</sup>For Your steadfast love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with You.

4I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.

<sup>5</sup>I have hated the company of evil-doers; I will not sit down with the wicked.

#### Refrain:

6I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round Your altar

7Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recouting all Your wonderful deeds.

8Lord, I love the house in which You dwell and the place where Your glory, the place where Your glory abides.

#### Refrain:

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#### SECOND READING

#### **ROMANS 12:9-21**

Paul presents benchmarks for faithful relationships with Christians and non-Christians. Love is the unflagging standard of our behavior. When we encounter evil, we do not resort to its tactics but seek to overcome it with good. While Christians cannot control the actions and attitudes of others, we seek to live at peace with all people.

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup>love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.

<sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those

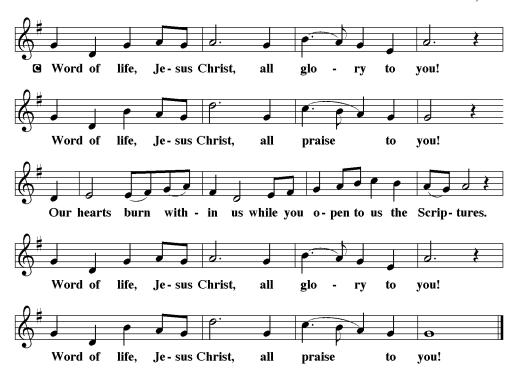
who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup>Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 1:1, Luke 24:32



Response after the announcement:

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

After Peter confesses that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (16:16), Jesus reveals the ultimate purpose of his ministry. These words prove hard to accept, even for a disciple whom Jesus has called a "rock."

<sup>21</sup>From that time on, [after Peter confessed that Jesus was the Messiah,] Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

<sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup>"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE "L

"Living Conflict"

Conflict of Jeremiah
Conflict of Peter
Get Behind Me Satan!

**The Law** is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Why do I think I can put God in a box? Why do I try to reduce God to just my understanding?

**The Gospel** is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: The Lord is with us and He takes up the Cross with us to save us now and forever.

*On Discipleship*: What does it mean to take up our cross and follow Christ? Expect conflict. Trust God's Word, the inner movements of prayer, and the outward counsel of the godly. What is your take away for your walk with Christ?



#### 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

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

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

#### 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 on the attendance registry and talk to an usher or the pastor.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

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.

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!

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. 2 Corinthians 13:11

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

C: And also with you.

#### **PRAYER**

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

P: God of faithfulness, you bid your people to follow Jesus. Set the mind of your church on divine things. Grant us trust in you, that we lose our lives for the sake of Christ and thereby discover joy in life through him. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Prayers conclude:

P: In the certain hope that nothing can separate us from your love, we offer these prayers to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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

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.

#### **SENDING**

THE BLESSING

Numbers 6:24-26

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

#### C: Amen.

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Praise and Thanks and Adoration"

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- 1 Praise and thanks and ad o ra tion, Son of God, to you we give,
- 2 Hold me ev er in your keep ing, com fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live. through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol-low where your steps are lead-ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing! in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

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#### **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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**OUR ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God by Keith and Teresa Yarborough in honor of their 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.

#### **PARISH NEWS**

**WORSHIP SERVICES:** In-person worship for the 10:30 service is being held at <u>limited capacity</u>. For those who are unable to attend due to personal circumstances or choose to refrain from gatherings, please pray on-line using one of the streaming options available: Facebook, YouTube or from the church website. As we continue in these days of the pandemic, changes to the service will be observed to do our best to be safe while gathering. <u>Please note that facemasks are required to be worn indoors while in public per a mandate by the state</u>.

**EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE:** The Congregational Council has voted to resume the 8:30 worship service in-person on **September 13**.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** An on-line Sunday School lesson will be held via Zoom Sunday mornings at 9:00. Please email Steve Laws at <a href="mailto:stephenclaws@gmail.com">stephenclaws@gmail.com</a> to sign up.

**CLOTHING CLOSET:** The Clothing Closet will have a workday on **Tuesday**, **September 1**. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Kay Robinson. Please note that donations <u>are not</u> being accepted at this time and the Clothing Closet <u>will not</u> be open to the public until further notice except for emergency appointments only.

**SPROUTS:** Sprouts will resume their fall youth group *meetings via zoom for the month of September*. We will continue our schedule of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of every month. Our upcoming meetings will be on **September 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **September 16<sup>th</sup>**. Amy will email the zoom link the week of each meeting. If you are not receiving Amy's emails, please contact her at <a href="mailto:amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org">amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org</a>.

**ROOTS OUTING:** On <u>Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup></u>, the Roots Youth Group will meet at **Adventure Landing at 6:30pm** for a round of mini golf. A snack and drink will be provided. Parents of Roots youth, please continue to check your email for updates from Amy for additional information. If you are not receiving Amy's emails, please contact her at <u>amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org</u>.

**ATTENTION LADIES:** You are invited to a SOCIAL DISTANCING PICNIC on Monday, September 14 at 6:00 pm in the pavilion. If you plan to attend, we ask that you please bring a bag supper, wear a mask and bring a chair for social distancing. The WELCA will furnish water and canned drinks. We hope you will attend and use this time to fellowship with all our church friends. We have missed everyone and hope to see you there. *This is for ALL ladies of the church*.

**CHILDREN'S/YOUTH CHOIR & HANDBELLS:** With the Covid-19 restrictions in place, the start time for handbells and children's/youth choir cannot be scheduled at this time. I will be sending out information as soon as I am able. Parents and ringers, please be looking for emails from me. I've been working on music for the Fall and Christmas and the handbells are being refurbished at this time. Love and miss you all! ~Mrs. M

**BIBLE STUDY WITH BISHOP SMITH:** Have you been missing your adult Sunday school class? Or maybe you wanted more after the synod's summertime journey through Matthew? Join this first-ever synod wide study of the Gospel of Mark led by Bishop Smith every Wednesday in September and October, beginning 9/9, from 7-8pm. The online class will be taught via Zoom. If interested, please email Kim at churchoffice@lutheranchapelchurch.org and she will forward the link to register.

**OWLS BACKYARD BIRD WATCHING:** As the fall season approaches, Amy would like to begin a bird watching club. If you are interested in participating, simply take a picture of birds you find in your backyard, identify them, and send the info to Amy. She will share your discoveries in her daily OWLS message board via email.

A STUDY OF C.S. LEWIS: During the upcoming church season, our <u>women's book</u> <u>club</u> will be delving into the works and life of C.S. Lewis. Our first novel will be *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Our first meeting will be on **Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 p.m.** at the church picnic pavilion. Please contact Amy at <u>amy@lutheranchapelchurch.org</u> if you are interested in attending this book club session.

**CAM FOOD DRIVE:** The fellowship has graciously donated **599 bags** of food to Crisis Assistance Ministry since April, thanks be to God! The collection continues as the need is still great in Gaston County. Let us help all we can!

**FACE MASKS:** If anyone still needs or would like a facemask, please contact Kay Moretz.

**HOME COMMUNIONS:** If you or your family are interested in receiving Communion in your home, please contact Pastor Michael at 704-787-6439 to set up an agreeable time for him to visit.

**TITHES & OFFERINGS:** There are several options to send in your tithes & offerings each week. You can utilize your offering envelopes (or a regular envelope) to mail or drop off in the <u>locked mailbox</u> at educational building. Or you can give on-line through our church website: lutheranchapelchurch.org, top right-hand corner "give" which is a link to Easy Tithe. Any questions or concerns call our Treasurer, Ed Robinson.

#### **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.

**PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP:** Braylon Beam, B.T. Bradley, Donna Carpenter, Jerry Carpenter, Hunter Clark, Tonya Dowdy, Lynda Ellington, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Helen Hoffman, Henry Hoffman, Dru Huffstickler, Robert Park, Betty Petty, Terry Ratchford, Doug Rhyne, Fran Rice, Joan Riddle, Barbara Robinson, Bill Robinson, and Martin Stamm.

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Ruth Benoy, Vera Beutler, Baby Ellis Brown, Amelia Edwards, Garry and Carole Farmer, Jamison Franklin, Harriet Grantham, Frieda and Shelton Harper, Travis Hogue, Mary Jackson, Paula Kadel, Ernie Kincaid, Dave and Crystal Lanning, Suzanne Ledford, Bill McCullen, Lee Norris, Sam & Lara Rasanen, Paul Reaves, Craig Rooney, Pat Rudisill, Martin Salois, Pastor Peter Setzer, Charlene Sorenson, Jim Warren, Dana Williams, and Lulu Zizak.

#### WEEK 36: AUGUST 30, 2020 to SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

- 08/30 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:1-16—Evening Reading: Psalms 129, 130, 131
- **08/31** Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:17-34—Evening Reading: Psalms 132, 133, 134
- 09/01 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 12—Evening Reading: Psalms 135, 136
- 09/02 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 13—Evening Reading: Psalms 137, 138, 139
- 09/03 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:1-20—Evening Reading: Psalms 140, 141, 142
- 09/04 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:21-40—Evening Reading: Psalms 143, 144, 145
- 09/05 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-28—Evening Reading: Psalms 146, 147
- 09/06 Morning Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:29-58—Evening Reading: Psalms 148, 149, 150

**Song Of Praise** "Beautiful Savior" ELW #838

#### Next Sunday, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

9:00 Zoom Sunday School:

10:30 Holy Communion: Matthew 18:15-20 ~ "A Warning"

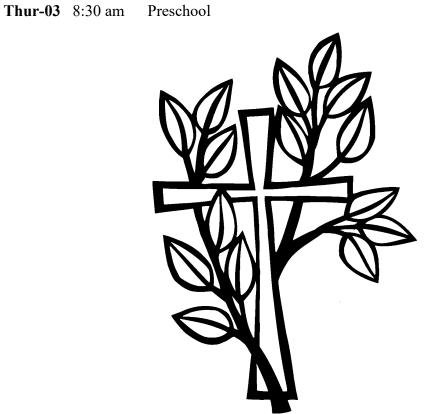
Note: *daily*Lectio.net provides the complete Revised Common Lectionary for both Sunday and daily lessons.

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 30 - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2020

Sun-30	9:00 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm 8:00 pm	Sunday School via Zoom Worship Service ~ in-person and streamed Chancel Choir Faith Group (Pavilion)
Mon-31	8:30 am	Preschool
Tues-01	8:30 am <b>10:00 am</b>	Preschool Clothing Closet Workday
Wed-02	8:30 am <b>6:00 pm</b>	Preschool Sprouts via Zoom



# We are so happy you joined us for worship this morning. Please fill out the information below and leave this page in the pew following the service. Thank you!

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Name:				
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Prayer Reques	st:			