LUTHERAN CHAPEL



HABAKKUK 1 AND MARK 10:17-31

"YOU KNOW THE COMMANDMENTS"

Seek the LORD and apply the works of the hands and the days we are given to doing the commandments - fulfilling the will of our heavenly Father.

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 10, 2021

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LUTHERAN CHAPEL OCTOBER 10, 2021 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SERVICE OF WORD AND PRAYER

BOLD indicates congregational responses.

* Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING Matthew 11:28-30

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

C: Amen.

P: Come unto me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

C: Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and you shall find rest in your souls.

P: For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

C: Come unto Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. I will give you rest. I will give you rest.



Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, alt. Music: HANOVER, William Croft, 1678–1727

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

HABAKKUK 1

¹The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. ²O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? ³Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. ⁴So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous therefore judgment comes forth perverted. ⁵Look at the nations, and see!

Be astonished! Be astounded!

For a work is being done in your days that you would not believe if you were told.

⁶For I am rousing the Chaldeans, that fierce and impetuous nation, who march through the breadth of the earth to seize dwellings not their own. ⁷Dread and fearsome are they;

their justice and dignity proceed from themselves.

⁸Their horses are swifter than leopards, more menacing than wolves at dusk; their horses charge.

Their horsemen come from far away; they fly like an eagle swift to devour.

⁹They all come for violence,

with faces pressing forward; they gather captives like sand.

¹⁰At kings they scoff,

and of rulers they make sport.

They laugh at every fortress, and heap up earth to take it.

¹¹Then they sweep by like the wind;

they transgress and become guilty; their own might is their god!

¹²Are you not from of old,

O LORD my God, my Holy One?

You shall not die.

O LORD, you have marked them for judgment;

and you, O Rock, have established them for punishment.

¹³Your eyes are too pure to behold evil, and you cannot look on wrongdoing;

why do you look on the treacherous,

and are silent when the wicked swallow

those more righteous than they?

¹⁴You have made people like the fish of the sea,

like crawling things that have no ruler.

¹⁵The enemy brings all of them up with a hook;

he drags them out with his net,

he gathers them in his seine;

so he rejoices and exults.

¹⁶Therefore he sacrifices to his net

and makes offerings to his seine;

for by them his portion is lavish,

and his food is rich.

¹⁷Is he then to keep on emptying his net,

and destroying nations without mercy?

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.



1You turn us back into dust and say: "Go back, children of the earth."

To Your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday come and gone,

No more than a watch in the night.

Refrain:

2You sweep us away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers; by evening it withers and fades.

Refrain:

3Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is Your anger forever? Show pity to Your servants.

Refrain:

4In the morning fill us with Your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favor of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands.

Refrain:

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SECOND LESSON

HEBREWS 4:12-16

We cannot hide our thoughts, desires, and actions from God, to whom we are completely accountable. Nevertheless, Jesus understands our human weakness and temptations, because he also experienced them. Therefore we can approach the throne of grace to receive divine mercy from Christ.

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to

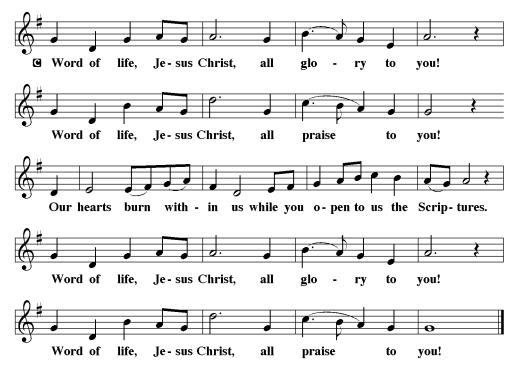
sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 1:1, Luke 24:32



*GOSPEL MARK 10:17-31

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

Response after the announcement:



Jesus has been teaching his disciples about what is most valued in God's eyes. Now, a conversation with a rich man brings his message home to the disciples in a way that is surprising but unforgettable.

¹⁷As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not

murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" ²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"You Know the Commandments"

On Habakkuk - As Things Fall Apart

Numbering Our Days by Wisdom

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Am I aware of the riches God gives? What really are my priorities?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: Numbering our days, following Christ, leads to grace upon grace.

So What? Take a personal inventory of what is really important to you. Where do you serve others? What is healthy service to others and what is unhealthy service?



Text: Johann Franck, 1618–1677; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: JESU, MEINE FREUDE, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662; arr. hymnal version Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress.

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.

*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.

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.

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.

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.**

ANTHEM

CHANCEL CHOIR

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

R. Robinson / arr. Victor Johnson © 2012 Choristers Guild

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger – Wand'ring from the fold of God; He to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.

Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above. 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: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.**

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

P: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6.9-13

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,

who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

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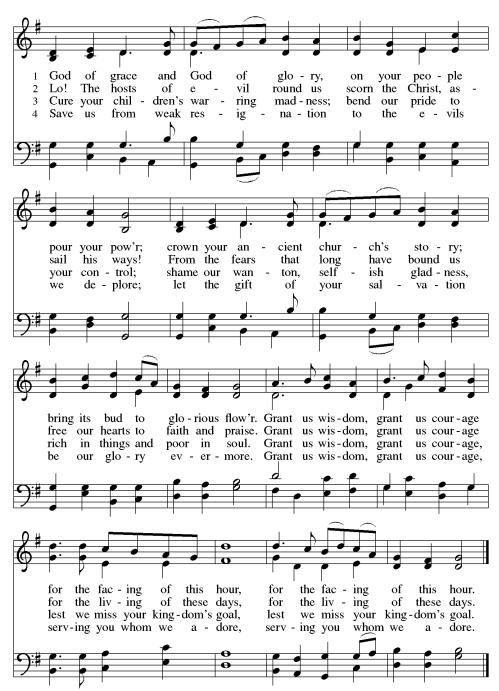
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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.



Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

*DISMISSAL

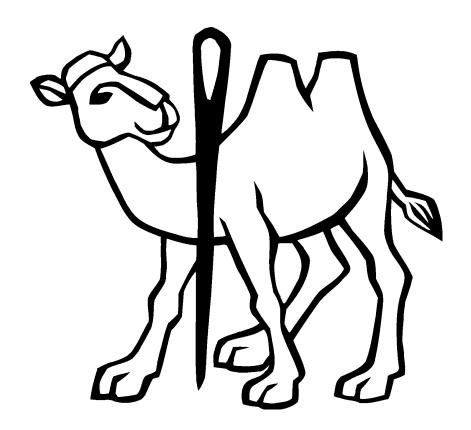
P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Josh and Amy Carpenter in honor of their 8^{th} anniversary.



PARISH NEWS

It is strongly recommended to wear masks during all indoor events and to spread out as much as possible during in-person worship with a 3 foot space between households.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: Our next gathering is scheduled for **October 14 at 6:00pm** in the **Chapel**. We will be discussing <u>The Red Tent</u> by Anita Diamant. Please contact Amy for the discussion questions.

FROM LUTHERAN MEN IN MISSION: The Lutheran Chapel Fellowship is invited to a *Picnic and Vesper Service* **October 17**th at <u>Baker's Buffalo Creek Winery</u> (sponsored by Lutheran Men in Mission). Arrive any time after 5:00pm. Hot dogs and the fixings with Knob Creek ice cream will be served about 5:30pm. The Vesper Service will be held in the Chapel area at 6:30pm. *This is a family event*. There will be corn hole boards and children's games planned before the Vesper Service. We hope you will join us! *If you plan to attend, please contact the church office (phone or email) by <u>October 10</u> with your name and number of people in your group attending. We will forward this information to the organizers.*

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT: Ladies of the church are invited to join Amy for dinner and fellowship at *The Woodshed* on Tuesday, **October 19 at 5:00pm**. The restaurant is located in downtown Stanley so it may be best to find someone to carpool with. Please let Amy know if you are able to attend by October 15.

COLLEGE STUDENTS' ADDRESSES: The Women's Circles of Lutheran Chapel want to remember our college students this fall. If you wish for your college student to receive this remembrance, please send their current college mailing address or a current home address to the church office as soon as possible. If this information is not received by October 20, we will not be able to remember your child. Thank you from WELCA of Lutheran Chapel.

FALL FESTIVAL: All members of the church are welcome to join the Christian Ed committee for lunch at the pavilion *immediately following the 10:30 worship service* on **October 24**. We will have a catered meal from Grandma Hoyt's. There will be outdoor games for all to enjoy. Be sure to bring a chair to sit on. Hope to see you there!

CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: In keeping with the protocol approved by the LCC congregation regarding Church Council elections, Council is accepting nominations for persons interested in serving a three-year term on the LCC Church Council. This is a self-nominating process. All interested members should contact Steve Laws - stephenclaws@gmail.com; Debra Hoffman - alanjo@charter.net; or Pastor Comer - michael.comer@lutheranchapelchurch.org or his phone - 704-787-6439. Deadline for nominations is November 1. At its November 14 meeting, Council will determine the list of persons for the Church membership to consider. Council election is held in December.

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Lilly Baker, BT & Pauline Bradley, Kathy Finch, Ervin Hoffman, Helen Hoffman, Pr. Peter Homovich, Larry Hoover, Dru Huffstickler, Ann Marie Lentz, Betty Petty, Bill Robinson, Ed Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, and Debi Jean Wankel

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Dale Abrahamson, Billy Baker, Eula Brazell, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Jason Conrad, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Victoria Garcia, Tina Godley, Chuckie Hope, Paula Kadel, Ernestine Kincaid, Robbie and Cathy Lewis, Frieda Moses, Lee Norris, Dakota Shuford, Luke Slessman, Charlene Sorenson, and Judi Truesdail

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491), Pastor Comer (704-787-6439) or our prayer team (Katherine Carpenter 704-214-2493).

PRAYER ROSTER - Pray for one another. (Ephesians 6:18)

Sunday: Randi BeamThursday: Ron BehringerMonday: Braylon BeamFriday: Craig BehringerTuesday: Zachary BeamSaturday: Mike Bell

Wednesday: Ann Behringer

FEAST OF PSALMS: Psalter Book Four

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>	Saturday
AM	90	92, 93	95	97	100	102	104, 105
PM	91	94	96	98, 99	101	103	106

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 41: October 10 to October 17, 2021

10/10 Morning Reading: Colossians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 34, 35, 36

10/11 Morning Reading: Colossians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 37, 38

10/12 Morning Reading: Colossians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 39, 40

10/13 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 41, 42

10/14 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 43, 44

10/15 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 45, 46

10/16 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 47, 48, 49

10/17 Morning Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5—Evening Reading: Isaiah 50, 51, 52

Songs of Praise "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" ELW #632 "Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil" W&P #52

Next Sunday, October 17, 2021: Habakkuk 2 and Mark 10:35-45 ~

"Radical Rule - Servanthood"

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021

Sun-10	8:30 am	Early Worship w/ Holy Communion (Chapel)				
9:15 am		Luther Choir				
9:30 am		Sunday School				
10:30 am		Worship (Sanctuary)				
5:00 pm		Crossroads Choir				
6:00 pm		Chancel Choir				
	8:00 pm	Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)				
Mon-11	8:30 am	Preschool				
Tues-12	8:30 am	Preschool				
	10:00 am	Clothing Closet Workday				
	10:00 am	Four Seasons Garden Club Mtg. (Fellowship Hall)				
	10.00 am	Tour Seasons Garden Club Mig. (Penowship Han)				
	7:00 pm	Cantamos Choir (Fellowship Hall)				
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Wed-13	7:00 pm 8:30 am	Cantamos Choir (Fellowship Hall)				
Wed-13	7:00 pm	Cantamos Choir (Fellowship Hall) Preschool				
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