

Let
Your
LIGHT
SHINE



MATTHEW 5:16

**LUTHERAN CHAPEL
YOUTH SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 25, 2022**

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SERVICE OF THE WORD**

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

GATHER

WELCOME

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Will Clark

L: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

L: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

- 1. You shall have no other gods.**
- 2. You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
- 3. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
- 4. Honor your father and mother.**
- 5. You shall not murder.**
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.**
- 7. You shall not steal.**
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
- 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

1 In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a - bove, where God our Fa - ther dwells:
 2 In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a - bove, what glo - ry deep and bright!
 3 In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a - bove, no tears of pain are shed,
 4 In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a - bove, God has a joy pre - pared,

how bound - less there the bless - ed - ness! No tongue its great - ness tells.
 The splen - dor of the noon - day sun grows pale be - fore its light.
 for noth - ing there can fade or die; life's full - ness round is spread,
 which mor - tal ear has nev - er heard, nor mor - tal vi - sion shared,

There face to face, and full and free, the ev - er -
 The might - y sun that goes not down, be - fore whose
 and like an o - cean, joy o'er - flows, and with im -
 which nev - er en - tered mor - tal thought, in mor - tal

liv - ing God we see, our God, the Lord of hosts!
 face clouds nev - er frown, is God, the Lord of hosts!
 mor - tal mer - cy glows our God, the Lord of hosts!
 dreams was nev - er sought, O God, the Lord of hosts!

Text: Laurentius L. Laurinus, 1573–1655; tr. William Maccall, 1812–1888

Music: I HIMMELEN, I HIMMELEN, Norwegian folk tune; arr. Elmer T. R. Hanke, 1901–1958

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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, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON: AMOS 6:1a, 4-7

Noah Comer

The prophet Amos announces that Israel's great wealth is a cause not for rejoicing but rather sorrow, because God's people have forgotten how to share their wealth with the poor. The wealthy will be the first to go into exile when judgment comes.

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,
⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
⁶who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146

(In Unison)

The LORD gives justice to those who are oppressed. (Ps. 146:7)

¹**Hal-^l lelujah!**
Praise the LORD,^l O my soul!
²**I will praise the LORD as long^l as I live;**
I will sing praises to my God while I^l have my being.
³**Put not your^l trust in rulers,**
in mortals in whom there^l is no help.

⁴When they breathe their last, they re-¹ turn to earth,
 and in that day¹ their thoughts perish.
⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob¹ for their help,
 whose hope is in the¹ LORD their God;
⁶who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that¹ is in them;
 who keeps promis-¹ es forever;
⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to¹ those who hunger.
 The LORD sets the¹ captive free.
⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who¹ are bowed down;
 the LORD¹ loves the righteous.
⁹The LORD cares¹ for the stranger;
 the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way¹ of the wicked.
¹⁰The LORD shall¹ reign forever,
 your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.¹ Hallelujah!

GLORIA PATRI

(In Unison)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON: ROMANS 3:10-26

Bram Comer

¹⁰As it is written:

"There is no one who is righteous, not even one;

¹¹there is no one who has understanding, there is no one who seeks God.

¹²All have turned aside, together they have become worthless;
 there is no one who shows kindness, there is not even one."

¹³"Their throats are opened graves;
 they use their tongues to deceive."

"The venom of vipers is under their lips."

¹⁴"Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."

¹⁵"Their feet are swift to shed blood;

¹⁶ruin and misery are in their paths,

¹⁷and the way of peace they have not known."

¹⁸"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in

Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson and Bible in a Year readings from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. Claim the gift for yourself!

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: Kings and Prophets : Exile : Restoration : 2nd Temple : **JESUS** : + **Apostles** : Last Day : New Creation*

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**


John 1:1, Luke 24:32



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



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



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!



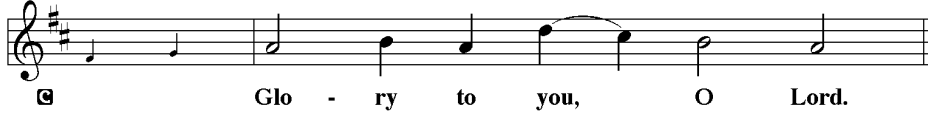
Word of life, Je- sus Christ, all praise to you!

***GOSPEL: LUKE 16:19-31**

Olivia Berghello

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

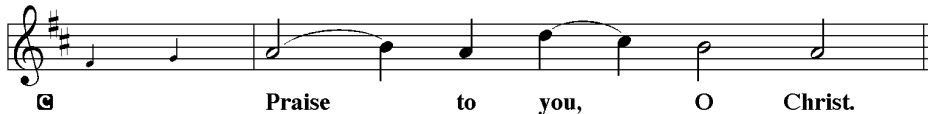
Response after the announcement:



Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is “lifted up” and the rich one is “sent away empty.” Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

[Jesus said:]¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’²⁷ He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON SKIT

“This Little Light of Mine”

Olivia Berghello
 Cameron Bell
 Corbin Brown
 Hunter Clark

Will Clark
 Elena Hoffman
 Jordan Hoffman
 Luke Hoffman

Renwick Royston
 Jason Sanders
 Harry Swindler



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
 2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
 3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Refrain
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

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***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

Luke Hoffman

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.**

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**

Will Clark

L: 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.

1 O Je - sus, joy of lov - ing hearts, the fount of
 2 We taste you, ev - er - liv - ing bread, and long to
 3 For you our rest - less spir - its yearn, wher - e'er our
 4 O Je - sus, ev - er with us stay! Make all our

life, the light of all: from ev - 'ry bliss that earth im -
 feast up - on you still; we drink of you, the foun - tain -
 chang - ing lot is cast; glad, when your smile on us you
 mo - ments fair and bright! Oh, chase the night of sin a -

parts we turn, un - filled, to hear your call.
 head; our thirst - ing souls from you we fill.
 turn, blest, when by the faith we hold you fast.
 way! Shed o'er the world your ho - ly light.

Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153; tr. Ray Palmer, 1808–1887, alt.
 Music: WALTON, W. Gardiner, *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

*DISMISSAL

All Youth: 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 Steve and Delana Clark.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant..... Kim Rundzieher
Organist Lisa Burch
Acolyte.....Cameron Bell
Crucifer..... Harry Swindler
Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman

Thank you to all the Youth who participated in today’s service:

Olivia Berghello	Noah Comer
Cameron Bell	Elena Hoffman
Corbin Brown	Jordan Hoffman
Hunter Clark	Luke Hoffman
Will Clark	Renwick Royston
Bram Comer	Harry Swindler

And **thank you** to Jason Sanders for playing the part of Tempter.

In the same way, let your light
shine before others, so that they
may see your good works and give
glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

PARISH NEWS

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

PHONE TREE: If you haven't been receiving the weekly phone tree messages, please contact the church office to make sure we have the correct contact information in the database.

CLOTHES CLOSET GIVEAWAY: The Outreach Committee will be hosting a Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday, October 1**. Set-up begins at 8am. Breakfast, snacks, and drinks will be provided for volunteers. Please prayerfully consider helping us in this service to our community.

AN INVITATION: The congregation of Lutheran Chapel is invited to celebrate the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Steve and Eula Ritchie following worship on **Sunday, October 2** in the **Family Life Center**. Let us celebrate life together and give thanks for the faithful friendship and service of Steve and Eula. Hope to see you there. **(No gifts please!)**

ESTHER CIRCLE: Esther Circle will gather for their first meeting since the beginning of the pandemic on **Monday, October 3 at 10am** in the **Fellowship Hall**. All women of the church are welcome.

OWLS: Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at Hillbilly's BBQ in Lowell. Please mark your calendar for **Thursday, October 20 at 11:00**. We hope you'll join us.

STORY OF SALVATION BIBLE STUDY: Are you interested in a Bible Study apart from Sunday School? Pastor Michael is offering a Story of Salvation Bible Study. The Story of Salvation lessons offer an overview of major Bible stories from Genesis to Revelation annually. A Bible study on these lessons can be a blessing for those interested in taking up such a spiritual discipline. Some potential times may be Thursday from 11am to noon or Sunday from 5pm to 6pm. *Please share if you are interested in attending such a study* and what time would be best for your schedule by indicating on the registry of attendance, sharing with Pastor Michael (call/text 704-787-6439 or email Michael.comer@lutheranchapelchurch.org) or contacting the church office at 704-864-6491.

COVID TESTS: A large box of Covid test kits has been donated to the church. Please feel free to take some from the box located in the Narthex.

NEW ADDRESS: BT Bradley has moved to a skilled nursing care facility. His new address is The Greens of Gastonia, 969 Cox Rd., Room 405, Gastonia, NC 28054. Cards, visits, calls, any form of encouragement are much appreciated.

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: B.T. Bradley, Todd Carpenter, Larry Collins, Kathy Finch, Paulette Hale, Pr. Peter & Nancy Homovich, Mark McCauley, Betty Petty, **Nancy Rankin**, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, **Ed Robinson**, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Katherine Sanders, Joe Veale, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Harry & Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Eula Brazzell, Bill Bridges, Carol Bridges, Sherry Cantrell, Deborah Carpenter, Mary Collins, Evelyn Dixon, Tucker Doyne, Baby Eli, Brooke Ensley, Craig Evanoff, Gordy Folse, Jamison Franklin, Mona Fulton, Ann Gaddy, Brenda Heins, **Gabbie Hoover**, Denise Imhoff, Paula Kadel, **Barbara Lentz**, Jackie Mango, Lee Norris, Rita Pasour, Brooks Reeder, Renee Rice, Anna Rider, Dakota Shuford, and Charlene Sorenson

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Psalter Book One*

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	1, 2, 3	7, 8, 9	13, 14, 15	19, 20, 21	25, 26, 27	31, 32, 33	37, 38, 39
PM	4, 5, 6	10, 11, 12	16, 17, 18	22, 23, 24	28, 29, 30	34, 35, 36	40, 41

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 39: September 25 to October 2, 2022

09/25 Morning Reading: Galatians 4—Evening Reading: Song of Solomon 6, 7, 8

09/26 Morning Reading: Galatians 5—Evening Reading: Isaiah 1, 2

09/27 Morning Reading: Galatians 6—Evening Reading: Isaiah 3, 4

09/28 Morning Reading: Ephesians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 5, 6

09/29 Morning Reading: Ephesians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 7, 8

09/30 Morning Reading: Ephesians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 9, 10

10/01 Morning Reading: Ephesians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 11, 12, 13

10/02 Morning Reading: Ephesians 5:1-16—Evening Reading: Isaiah 14, 15, 16

Songs of Praise: “*It is Well With My Soul*” ELW #785

“*We Will Glorify the King*” W&P #154

Wednesday, September 28 - Holy Communion & Fellowship

“Thy Will Be Done”

Sunday, October 2 - Holy Communion

Romans 6:3-11 and Luke 17:5-10 ~ *“Increase Our Faith”*

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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, SEPTEMBER 25 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022

- Sun-25** 8:30 am Fellowship
 9:00 am Bible Study/Sunday School
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
 11:45 am Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
- Mon-26** 8:30 am Preschool
- Tues-27** 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
 7:00 pm Cantamos Choir (Fellowship Hall)
- Wed-28** 8:30 am Preschool
 7:00 pm Evening Service & Fellowship (Chapel)
- Thur-29** 8:30 am Preschool
- Sat-01** **8:00 am Set-up for Clothing Giveaway**
 9:00 am Via de Cristo Team Meeting
 11:00 am Clothing Giveaway