

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



ACTS 2:1-11 AND MATTHEW 21:23-32

“PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS”

*What does it mean to be faithful? Is it a bunch of words and appearances
or about what you do and how you live the life God gives you?
You will know the faithful by their fruits!*

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

GATHER

WELCOME

*Who are you? **We are children of God (1 John 3:2).** What is our mission? **The mission of Lutheran Chapel is to share God's love.***

PRELUDE

“Pavane”

William Byrd

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: 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

P: 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.

P: 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).**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

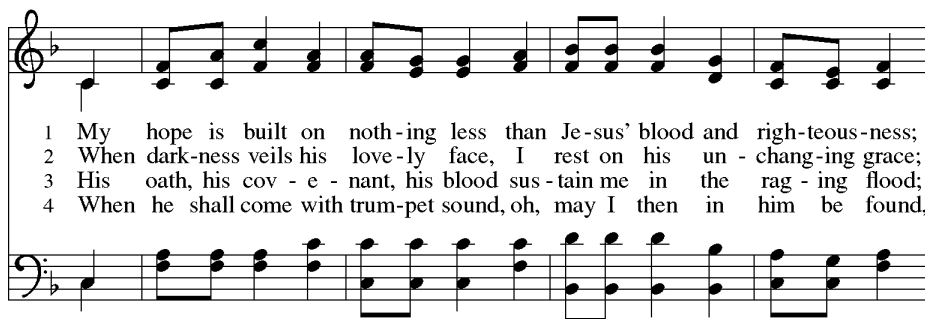
P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

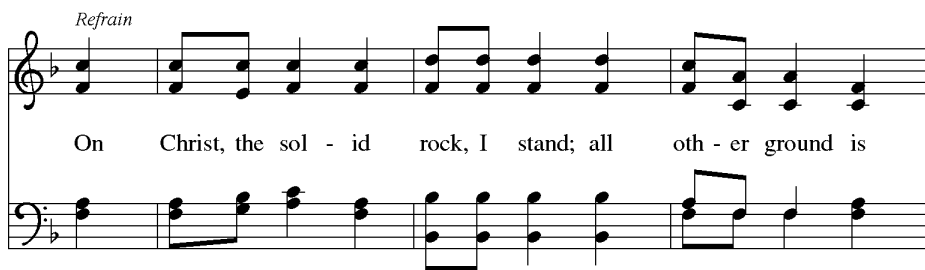


1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and righ-teous-ness;
 2 When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace;
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus - tain me in the rag - ing flood;
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,

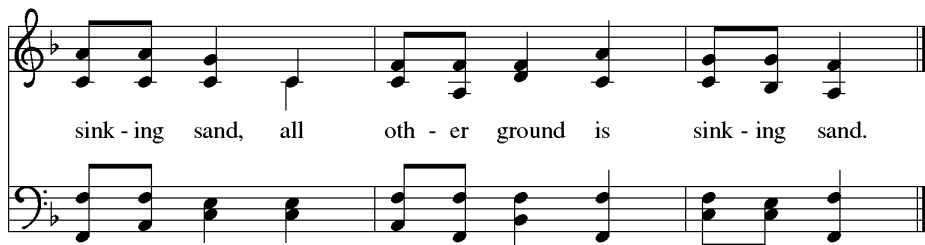


no mer-it of my own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
 in ev-'ry high and storm - y gale my an - chor holds with-in the veil.
 when all sup-ports are washed a-way, he then is all my hope and stay.
 clothed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is



sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

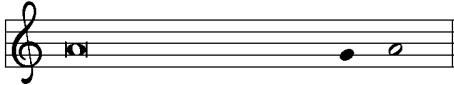
2 Corinthians 13:13

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***THE KYRIE**

Mark 10:47



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



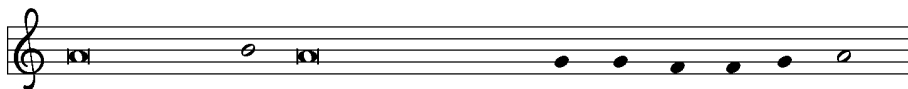
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

***GLORY TO GOD**

Luke 2:14, John 1:29

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children’s Message are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

FIRST LESSON

EZEKIEL 18:1-4, 25-32

Ezekiel challenges those who think they cannot change because of what their parents were and did, or who think they cannot reverse their own previous behavior. God insistently invites people to turn and live.

¹The word of the LORD came to me: ²What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? ³As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel.

⁴Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have

committed they shall die. ²⁷Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin.

³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 25:1-9

“To You, O Lord”

Marty Haugen



Text: Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 12-14; Marty Haugen

Music: Marty Haugen

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1. Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths
and keep me in the way of your truth, for you are God, my Savior.

Refrain

2. For the Lord is good and righteous,
revealing the way to those who wander,
gently leading the poor and the humble.

Refrain

3. To the ones who seek the Lord,
Who look to God’s word, who live God’s love,
God will always be near, and will show them mercy.

Refrain

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

ACTS 2:1-11

The Holy Spirit is given on the 50th day after the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Spirit continues to work and transform lives until the Last Day.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on

each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Memory Verse: Acts 2:17a

¹⁷*In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh*

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. A memory verse for the week is in bold. 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 6:68

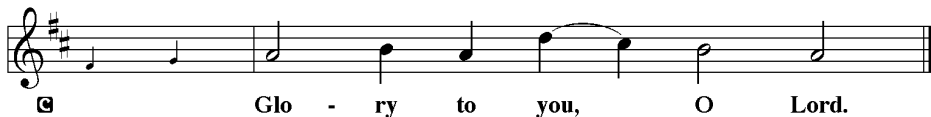


***GOSPEL**

MATTHEW 21:23-32

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

Response after the announcement:

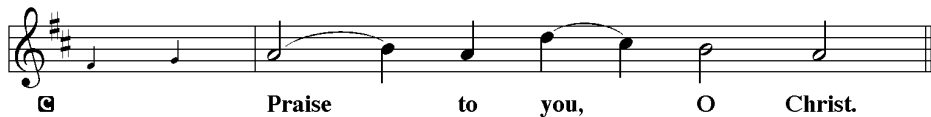


After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” ²⁴Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ ²⁶But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” ²⁷So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ ²⁹He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

“Parable of the Two Sons”

On the Pentecost Event

Two Sons - Which am I?

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus’ saving power: Can’t I change my life by myself? Can’t I do this on my own?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus’ ultimate saving power: The LORD calls us to turn and to live.

So What? Be still and know God (Psalm 46). You are not your own but the Holy Spirit is in you. Crazy! Mystery! The Holy Spirit uses the gift of God’s Word to grow us and bless us following Jesus.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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Music: GOOD SOIL, Handt Hanson

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*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.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

AM: 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.

AM: 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 SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

This is so much more than just a quick handshake. This is the gift of sharing Christ's peace with one another. This is the gift of greeting and encouraging each one gathered now. This is the spiritual exercise of making peace with others when (not if) there may be anger and a hard heart towards one another.

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

C: And also with you.

THE MEAL

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Malachi 3:10, Matthew 23:23, 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

God is the owner of everything. We brought nothing into the world and we are taking nothing out of it. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be wise managers of the gifts He has given us in our selves, our time, and our possessions. A wise use of money will give, save, spend, and avoid debt. The traditional teaching is to give 10% (the tithe), save 10%, and spend 80%. Note: Our ushers will walk up and down the aisle with the offering plate for any who choose to give a gift and may have missed the plates in the narthex during the musical offering.

MUSICAL OFFERING

CHANCEL CHOIR

“One World, One Communion”

Pepper Choplin

One world, one communion, one faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone.

Wherever people gather to share the bread and cup,
Though we are many, we are one in love.

So much we have in common, though we are miles apart,
Through the Holy Spirit, we are one in heart. And so we are –

One world, one communion, one faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone.

Wherever bread is broken and where the cup is poured,
Brothers and sisters, we are one in the Lord,

Though many things divide us, with great diversity
Through the power of love we will find unity. So help us see there’s –

One world, one communion, one faith in Christ, the Son.
One world, one communion, and there is room for everyone.

There is room for all to come.

*OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful”

ELW #182



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your

pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

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***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

(In Unison)

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.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136

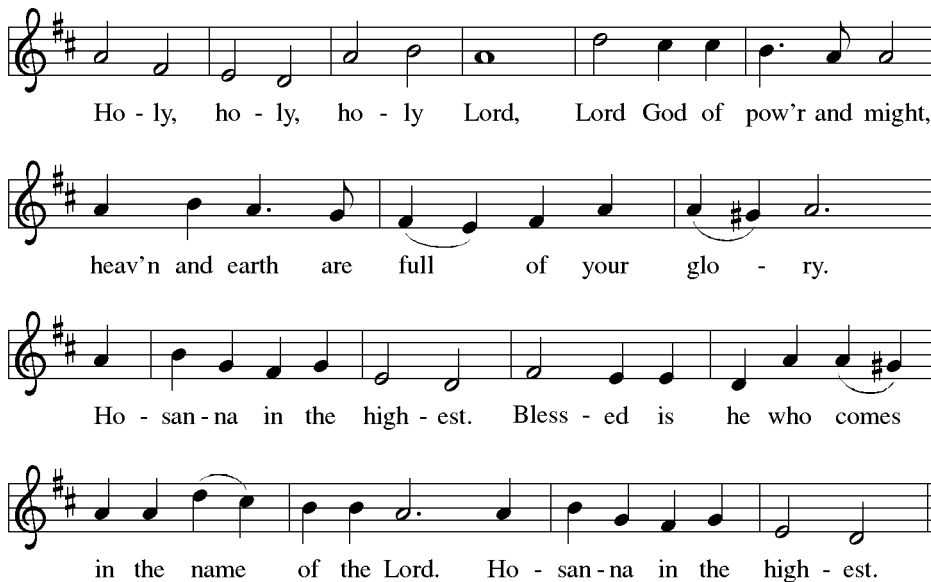
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***PREFACE FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

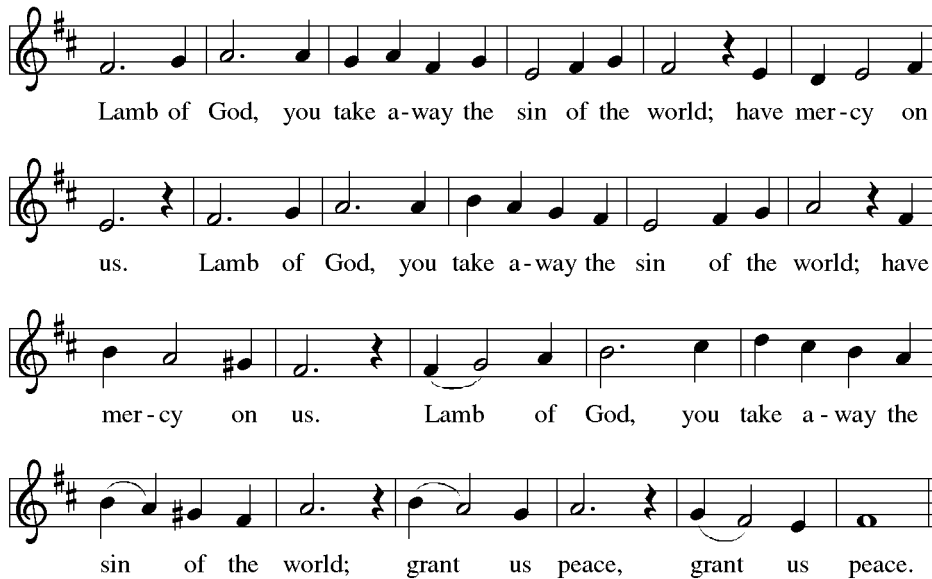
P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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,
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.**

***LAMB OF GOD**

John 1:29



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Taste and see the LORD is good (Psalm 34:8)!

Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

ELW #494

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

Je - sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, glo - ri - ous
Lord. _____ Em - man - u - el, God is with us, bless - ed Re -
deem - er, Liv - ing Word. _____ Word. _____

The musical score is written on three staves in 12/8 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The third staff contains the melody for the third line, including a first ending and a final ending. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

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SENDING

*THE BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

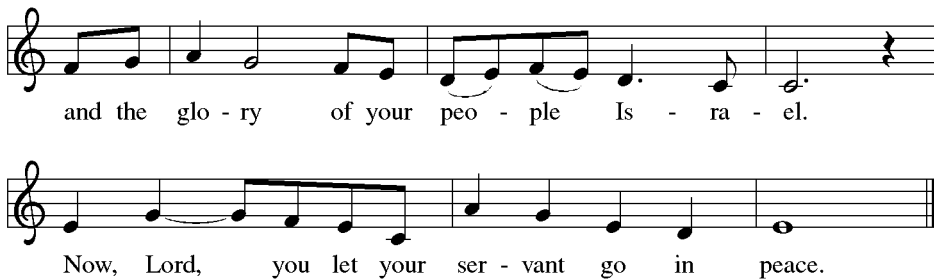
C: Amen.

*SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre - pared in the
sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re - veal you to the na - tions

The musical score is written on three staves in 4/4 time. The melody is simple and consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are printed below the notes.



and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

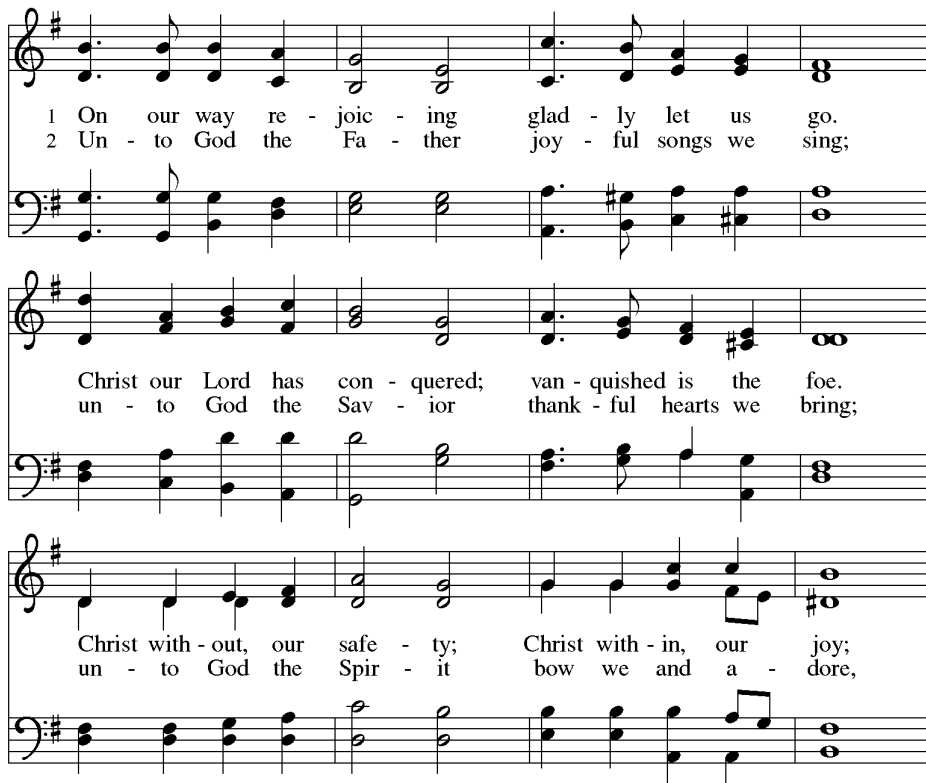
C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

***RECESSIONAL HYMN**

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

ELW #537



1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,
hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
Music: HERMAS, Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879

***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Faith Eternal”

Edward Broughton

† † † † † † † †

OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Keith & Teresa Yarborough in honor of their grandchildren William, Andrew and Skylar.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

Ministers	People of Lutheran Chapel
Pastor.....	Michael Comer
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Rundzieher
Director of Music Ministries.....	Kathie Riebe
Assistant Minister	Sylvia Fogle
Lector	Josh Carpenter
Acolyte.....	Renwick Royston
Crucifer	Christian Mull
Head Ushers	Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
First Aid/AED/CPR.....	Crown Hoffman
Council Members of the Month.....	Debra Hoffman & Jason Sanders



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.

RESTROOMS: Restrooms are located on the bottom floor of the Sanctuary. Additional restrooms are located in the Educational Building and *do not require the use of stairs*. If needed, please see an usher for assistance in locating them.

ESTHER CIRCLE: Esther Circle will gather in the Fellowship Hall on **Monday, October 2 at 10am**.

REBECCA CIRCLE: Rebecca Circle will meet at the home of Suzie Ward on **Monday, October 2 at 7pm**.

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY: The *Outreach Committee* will be hosting an indoor/outdoor Clothing Giveaway on **Saturday, October 7**.

OWLS: Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at **Baker Buffalo Creek Vineyard** on **Thursday, October 19 at 11:00am**. *If you would like to ride in the church van, please arrive before 10:30*. Lunch will be provided by Charles & Ann Edwards. We hope you'll join us.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS: The Women's Circles of Lutheran Chapel kindly request that the parents of college students give their child's college address to the church office by Sunday, **October 1, 2023**. We would like to send your child a gift. If we don't have the addresses we will be unable to do so. During COVID we were not able to continue this ministry and we are excited to once again be able to show our college students love and care. Thank you from the Women of the Lutheran Chapel WELCA.

CONGREGATIONAL COOKOUT: The Men of the Church will be sponsoring a hamburger and hot dog cookout on **Tuesday, October 10th @ 6pm in the picnic shelter**. Plan now to attend and enjoy good food and fellowship. You might want to consider bringing a lawn chair. Hope to see you there.

MEMORY VERSE OPPORTUNITY: The gift of God's Word is given us to put in our hearts, meditate, contemplate, and explore. Sunday by Sunday one verse from the Story of Salvation lesson is put in bold for those who choose to memorize. This might be a place to be creative as well. All disciples are invited to draw, color, design, and creatively present the weekly memory verse to the church office or Pastor. These will be used for bulletin boards, displays and around the church. Claim the gift of God's Word for yourself!

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: Faye Anne Boyette, Buddy Carothers, Henry Hoffman, Susan Jackson, Leon Moretz, Nancy Rankin, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Joe Veale, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Baby Aaron, Sheila Abernathy, John Austin, Sam Bell, Rick Belton, Deborah Carpenter, Doris Coggins, Mary Collins, Carol Coutant, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, **Mark Harrelson**, Jonnie Heavner, family of Julia Heavner, Joyce Hoffman, Pastor Peter Homovich, Wade Huss, Rick Knowles, Bill Lankford, Pastor Terrell Long, Pastor Charles McManus, Rita Pasour, Randy Reel, Frank Sanders, Dakota Shuford, Christy Carpenter Smith, 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 Three*

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM	73, 74	77	79	82	84	86	88
PM	75, 76	78	80, 81	83	85	87	89

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 40 October 1 to October 8, 2023

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

10/03 Morning Reading: Ephesians 5:17-33—Evening Reading: Isaiah 17, 18, 19

10/04 Morning Reading: Ephesians 6—Evening Reading: Isaiah 20, 21, 22

10/05 Morning Reading: Philippians 1—Evening Reading: Isaiah 23, 24, 25

10/06 Morning Reading: Philippians 2—Evening Reading: Isaiah 26, 27

10/07 Morning Reading: Philippians 3—Evening Reading: Isaiah 28, 29

10/08 Morning Reading: Philippians 4—Evening Reading: Isaiah 30, 31

Traditional Song: “*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*” ELW #424

Sing a New Song: “*Sanctuary*” Best Songs #158

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



Wednesday, October 4 ~ Evening Prayer

Psalm 4 “*Night Psalms*”

Thursday, October 5 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

Acts 2:1-11 “*Pentecost and the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit*”

Sunday, October 8 ~ Service of the Word

Acts 7:51-60 and Matthew 21:33-46 “*Parable of the Coming Feast*”

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023

- Sun-01** 8:30 am Fellowship
 9:00 am Bible Study/Sunday School
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
 11:35 am Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
- Mon-02** 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Esther Circle (Fellowship Hall)
 7:00 pm Rebecca Circle @ Suzie Ward’s Home
- Tues-03** 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
 7:00 pm CBS (Conference Room, Chapel, Classrooms)
- Wed-04** 8:30 am Preschool
 5:30 pm Chapel Ringers
 7:00 pm Evening Service (Chapel)
- Thur-05** 8:30 am Preschool
 11:00 am Bible Study (Library)
- Fri-06** 9:00 am CBS (Youth Room)
- Sat-07** **8:00 am Set-up for Clothing Giveaway**
 9:30 am Hungry Peeps Support Group (Fellowship Hall)
 1:00 pm Break down of Clothing Giveaway