



Church of the Lutheran Confession

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Pentecost 8

Welcome to our visitors! We appreciate your joining our worship family this morning, and we invite you to sign our guest book. If you would like more information about our church, please contact the pastor at 414-427-9337.

Sunday family worship...9:00 a.m.

Today's Worship

"The LORD works out everything to its proper end" (Prov. 16:4).

Greeting and prayer:

Invocation:

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

C: Amen.

P: Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

C: Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.



P: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

C: Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

P: Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

C: Righteousness will go before Him and make His footsteps a way.

Hymn 583: God Has Spoken by His Prophets

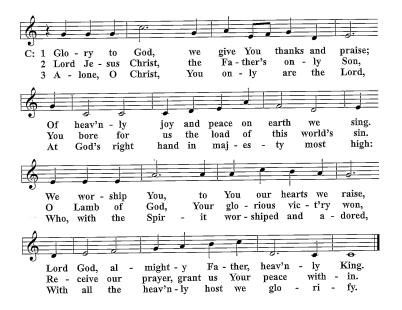
Confession and Absolution:

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C: O Lord God Almighty, we confess that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not put You first at all times. We have not followed in the ways You have set forth for us. We have not always been thoughtful caretakers of Your creation and have not shared its bounty on all occasions. We have not kept our thoughts, words, and deeds fully pure and honorable. We have sinned in ways we know and in ways we do not even recognize. Have mercy on us, O Lord. Forgive us all our sins, and finally by Your grace, bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins for Jesus' sake. As a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



Prayer:

P: O Lord, amid earthly strife among nations, governments, and peoples within their own lands, remind us through Your Word and Spirit that Your kingdom is not of this world, that as we face troubles in this life, we trust in the truth that through Christ's death and resurrection, You have overcome the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

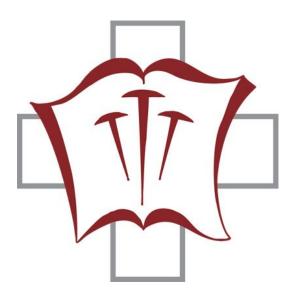
First lesson:

Amos 7:10-15...Even when it was not politically correct or personally safe, Amos faithfully spoke the Word of the Lord.

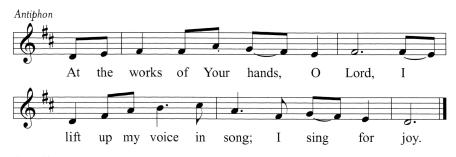
Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel."



Make a Joyful Shout to God





Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!*
Sing out the honor of His name;
Make His praise glorious.

Say to God, "How awesome are Your works!*

Through the greatness of Your power

Your enemies shall submit themselves to You.

All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You;*
They shall sing praises to Your name."

Antiphon

Come and see the works of God;*

He is awesome in His doing toward the sons of men.

Oh, bless our God, you peoples!*

And make the voice of His praise to be heard,

Who keeps our soul among the living,*
And does not allow our feet to be moved.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Śpirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Ámen.

Antiphon

Epistle lesson:

Ephesians 1:3-14...Beginning with our predestination from eternity, we have every possible blessing in Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

The Apostles' Creed:

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Hymn 559: Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion

Sermon: Mark 6:7-13

And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits.

He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts—but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them."

So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.



Offering

Hymn 712: Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness. And all these things shall be added unto you! Alleluia, alleluia!



Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Alleluia, alleluia!

Man does not live by bread alone, But by ev'ry word That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Plain type

Cong: Underlined, boldface type

Dear Lord God, who created the universe and rules the nations for the blessing of your people: We praise you for your unconditional love which predestined us as your own before anything existed. In the fullness of time you sent your Son to be our Redeemer. He took upon himself the guilt of the entire world and has given us his righteousness.

Through the Word taught to us by Christian parents, pastors, and teachers, the Holy Spirit has created and preserved faith in our hearts. <u>May we never neglect or reject the message of Christ crucified, and so lose our salvation</u>. Cause our hunger for the Word to grow stronger day by day. <u>May we continue to read, hear, and meditate upon it individually and together with one another</u>.

Bless those who attend our VBS this week with understanding and renewed appreciation for spiritual riches which will never lose their value, but last through all eternity. Give both teachers and students joy in their time with one another. <u>Let Jesus'</u> love be evident in their words and actions.

Prosper the cause of the gospel around the world. We think especially of the CLC Mission Helpers who are in Africa for several weeks. Let nothing interfere with your Word reaching young hearts and bringing many of them to faith.

We pray for those who are sick. Extend your healing hand over their bodies and comfort their souls. Help those who are ill to see that they can be your witnesses even when confined to their homes or in a hospital.

As we journey through this life, give us faith to travel light and to trust that when we seek first your kingdom, you will graciously give us everything else we need. **Keep our** eyes focused on our real home with you.

Receive our offerings. May they be one of many ways by which we serve and follow you. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Hymn 831: "How Shall They Hear," Who Have Not Heard

Closing prayer:

P: Holy Spirit, thank You for enlightening our hearts and increasing our joy this morning with Your Word of truth. Help us going forward to put our full trust in Christ Jesus for forgiveness, salvation, and daily direction for our lives. In His name.

C: Amen.

Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing hymn 856: O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

Announcements

VBS begins tomorrow

Vacation Bible School begins tomorrow at 9 a.m. and continues through Friday. More students, both member and non-member, are welcome! The students will sing in the service next Sunday.

7,000 ways to say it

It's been estimated that there are about 7,000 different languages in the world. At Wednesday's Bible class we will look at what Genesis says about the origin of languages, and what it means for the salvation of the people who speak them. Everyone is welcome to join us in person or via Zoom: Meeting ID: 876 9305 1527 Passcode: 420391.

Friendship Sunday, teacher installation, and picnic next week!

Our annual Friendship Sunday is a special opportunity to invite friends, relatives, and others to join us in hearing of the Lord's love for the world and in praising him for calling us by the gospel to believe in Jesus as Savior. The service will also include the installation of Mr. Levi Schaller as lower grade teacher in our Christian day school. Following the service, everyone is invited to come to the church picnic which will be held at Calhoun Park in New Berlin, shelter 2 (5500 S. Calhoun Rd.). Pulled pork and hotdogs will be provided. Bring a side dish and/or dessert to

Looking Ahead...

- ♦Monday-Friday: 9:00-11:30 A.M: VBS.
- **◆**Tuesday:

9:00 A.M: Adult Bible study.

♦Wednesday:

6:30 P.M: Bible class.

*Thursday:

7:00 A.M: <u>Adult class</u>. 9:00 A.M: Adult class.

6:00 P.M: Church council.

*****Saturday:

9:00 A.M: Adult class.

♦Next Sunday:

9:00 A.M: <u>Friendship Sunday</u>, <u>Installation of Mr. Levi</u>

Schaller, and church picnic. **4** July 28th:

10:15 A.M: Voters meeting.

share. Serving begins at 11:30 a.m. Pack lawn chairs, softball gloves, and any other picnic gear you'd like. Help would be appreciated for the games. Contact Mike or Carol Gescheidle for more information and to volunteer.

Mission Helper update

Fifteen Mission Helpers, along with Missionary and Paula Naumann, are currently proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to an estimated 6,000 children in Kenya and Uganda, Tanzania, and Zambia. You can follow along through the trip blog at www.2024clcmhteastafrica.blogspot.com. Your prayers are requested and much appreciated.

Drivers needed

We thank Principal Tiefel and Paula Gurath for transporting the Mission Helpers to the airport last Monday. Drivers are needed to ferry the returning Mission Helpers from Chicago to Milwaukee on the afternoon of Friday, July 26. Contact Ted Quade for more information.

Voters meeting in two weeks

The voters will meet after the service on July 28. Along with reports and other business, elections will be held for board positions in the congregation. All voters and those eligible to become voters are encouraged to set aside this time for the Lord's work. Non-voters are always welcome to sit in on the meeting too. The agenda and other information will be available next Sunday.

Last chance

Today is the last chance to contribute kitchen/pantry items and/or gift cards for our new teacher Levi Schaller and his wife Nicole. Gifts may be placed in the church kitchen.

Save the date...

A retirement celebration for Pastor Eichstadt is being planned for Sunday, September 8. Details will follow shortly.

New address:

Paula Gurath Alexandra Garvens Mason Garvens

1134 Ridge Creek Circle Unit #101 Waukesha, WI 53186

Bible Readings: Psalm 17-18; 7/14 Acts 19:1-20 Psalm 19-21; 7/15 Acts 19:21-41 Psalm 22-24: 7/16 Acts 20:1-16 Psalm 25-27; 7/17 Acts 20:17-38 Psalm 28-30; 7/18 Acts 21:1-14 Psalm 31-33; 7/19 Acts 21:15-40 Psalm 34-35; 7/20Acts 22



SCAN FOR ONLINE OFFERING

July Ushers

Cleaning Team 7/19-7/26

David Albrecht Ken Abrahamson Owen Albrecht

S/E Lisak J/K Gerbitz J/K Rodebaugh J/H Barthels J/S Serba

July Slideshow Sam Lisak

Fruits of Faith	Last Week:	To Date:
Budgetary Offerings:	\$7,003.27	\$7,003.27
Budgetary Needs:	\$8,571.29	\$8,571.29
Over (Under) Budget:	(\$1,568.02)	(\$1,568.02)
MSAF:	\$25.00	\$25.00
Kinship:	\$30.00	\$30.00
Other (Spokesman):	\$15.00	\$15.00

Attendance Last Sunday: 119

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