

"Lord, help me!"

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☧ WELCOME ☧

Welcome to all in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit! If you are a guest today, we welcome you and invite you to worship with us again. Please sign our guest register.

☧ ORDER OF WORSHIP ☧

OPENING PRAYER

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN 582

*God of Mercy, God of Grace*

CONFESSION OF SIN

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us: have mercy upon us, and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us a true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

THE KYRIE

(Hymn 453, vv. 1, 4: *Out of the Deep I Call*)

Out of the deep I call  
To Thee, O Lord to Thee.  
Before Thy throne of grace I fall;  
Be merciful to me.

Lord, there is mercy now,  
As ever was, with Thee.  
Before Thy throne of grace I bow;  
Be merciful to me.

## THE ABSOLUTION

P: Lift up your hearts. The Lord God, according to his promise, is slow to anger and abounding in unwavering love. By the command of Christ and the authority of my holy office I forgive your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO (*Hymn 36: All Glory Be to God Alone*)

<b>We praise Thee, God, and Thee we bless;</b>	<b>Amen, this ever true shall be,</b>
<b>We worship Thee in humbleness;</b>	<b>As angels sing adoringly.</b>
<b>From day to day we glorify</b>	<b>By all creation, Far and wide,</b>
<b>Thee, everlasting God on high.</b>	<b>Thou, Lord, art ever glorified;</b>
<b>Of Thy great glory do we sing,</b>	<b>And Thee all Christendom doth praise</b>
<b>And e'er to Thee our thanks we bring.</b>	<b>Now and through everlasting days.</b>

## THE SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: [sing, p. 45] **And with your spirit.**

## THE COLLECT (Prayer of the Day)

**C: Almighty and everlasting God, who created all things, we thank you that you have given us sound bodies, and have graciously preserved our tongues and other members from the power of the adversary. Grant us your grace that we may rightly use our ears and tongues. Help us to hear your Word diligently and devoutly, and with our tongues so to praise and glorify your grace, that no one is offended by our words, but that all may be edified by them; through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.**

C: [sing, p. 45] **Amen.**

## READINGS — Christian Worship 3-Year Series (All readings from the NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION)

### *The Old Testament — Proverbs 9: 1-6*

Wisdom has built her house;

she has set up its seven pillars.

She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine;

she has also set her table.

She has sent out her servants, and she calls

from the highest point of the city,  
“Let all who are simple come to my house!”  
To those who have no sense she says,  
“Come, eat my food  
and drink the wine I have mixed.  
Leave your simple ways and you will live;  
walk in the way of insight.”

*The Epistle — Ephesians 5: 15-20*

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*The Holy Gospel — John 6: 51-58*

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.”

Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?”

Jesus said to them, “Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”

RESPONSE

P: Here end the Scripture readings.

C: [sing, p. 46] **God be prais-éd for His glad tidings.**

## THE CREED

P: Having heard God's Word, we confess our Christian faith using the words of the Apostles Creed.

**C: 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
From there he shall 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.**

C: [sing, p. 46} Amen.

## HYMN 364

*O for a Faith That Will Not Shrink*

## THE SERMON

*There Must Be a "YES" In Here Somewhere*     *Matthew: 15:21-28*

## HYMN VERSE

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Your presence,  
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation,  
and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### LORD'S PRAYER

**C: 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.**

### THE APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION

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

### OFFERING

### HYMN VERSE

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate're the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

### HYMN 385

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

### THE COLLECT

P: Let us give thanks and pray:

We thank You, Lord God the Father, that You have given Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. We thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, that You have borne in Your sacred body all our sins, and by Your blood have blotted out all our transgressions. We thank You, Lord, the Holy Spirit, that You have created in our hearts true faith, that we know of nothing to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. O God, grant us Your grace, that we may perfectly believe that all our sins are forgiven for the sake of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, and so enlighten us by Your Holy Spirit, that, in the power of our Redeemer's death, we may day by day put off sin, and never forsake the Lord Jesus Christ, until we see Him face to face in life eternal. We ask it all in Christ's name.

**C: [sing p. 58] Amen.**

### THE BENEDICTION

P: The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine upon you and

be gracious unto you. The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: [sing p. 59] **Amen, amen, amen.**

**HYMN 588**

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing*

**CLOSING PRAYER**

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death.  
Amen.

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Organist: Darek Hartwig



**August 19-25**

James Zemke  
Shelly Thompson  
Jean Lamers

## ❧ ANNOUNCEMENTS ❧

### LAST WEEK

32 people worshiped their Savior last weekend.

### PRAYERS

You are encouraged to keep the following members of our congregation in your prayers... members who are confined to nursing homes, sick or something other: Eileen Brekken, Boyd Daley, Betty Gulseth, Charlotte Nelson, Eunice Phillips, Lois Pieper, and Inez Hougan. If you know of others who might be added to this list, please inform Pastor Kock.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to those that worked on the bathrooms, mowed the lawn, and mopped up the water after the rain this week. Your work is much appreciated.

### LAWN MOWERS NEEDED

Interested in helping mow the church property? Your help is needed.

### BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE AUXILIARY

The Madison Area Bethany Lutheran College Auxiliary will meet on Tuesday, September 4th at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1201 Droster Road in Madison, beginning with a salad supper at 6:30 p.m. Pastor Jeff Hendrix, from Faith Lutheran in Oregon, will be presenting the video he created (using his Bethany education!) to depict the early history of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Art Westphal, VP of Advancement, will be present to share news from the college. Everyone is welcome and urged to come, especially to see this wonderful historic film celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the ELS.

### ELS PICTORAL HISTORY

A pictorial history has been published in commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the reorganization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod. This volume includes more than 400 photographs from the history of the synod. This who we are. This is what we look like. Here are the wonders which God has done. Books are \$20 plus \$5 shipping. Orders may be sent to: Bethany Bookstore, 700 Luther Drive, Mankato, MN 56001.

### JUST A THOUGHT

Prayer - the ultimate wireless connection.