



Faith Lutheran Church
September 24th 2023

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.
Please sign the guest register in the entry
as you leave the church today.

TODAY'S SERVICE

September 24th, 2023

Liturgy: Setting One, WS page 1

Speaker:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist:

Ann Sprengeler

Liturgy: *Worship Supplement 2000* compiled and edited by John C Reim

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 27:1-9

The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be
afraid? ² When the wicked came against me To eat up my
flesh, My enemies and foes, They stumbled and fell. ³
Though an army may encamp against me, My heart shall not
fear; Though war should rise against me, In this I *will be* con-
fident. ⁴ One *thing* I have desired of the LORD, That will I
seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the
days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to
inquire in His temple. ⁵ For in the time of trouble He shall
hide me in His pavilion; In the secret place of His tabernacle
He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock. ⁶ And
now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around
me; Therefore I will offer sacrifices of joy in His tabernacle;
I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the LORD. ⁷ Hear, O
LORD, *when* I cry with my voice! Have mercy also upon me,
and answer me. ⁸ *When You said, "Seek My face,"* My heart
said to You, "Your face, LORD, I will seek." ⁹ Do not hide
Your face from me; Do not turn Your servant away in anger;
You have been my help; Do not leave me nor forsake me, O
God of my salvation.

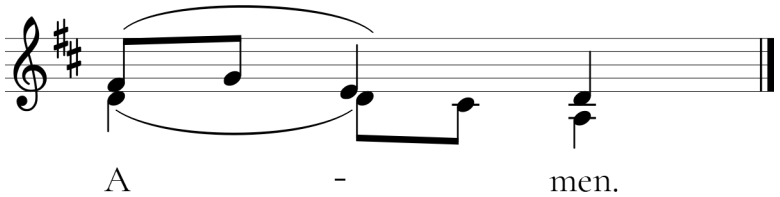
SERVICE OF THE WORD

#5 Lord, Open Thou My Heart to Hear

by Johannes Olearius

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.



Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to all peo-ple on earth. Lord God,



heav-enly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther; We



wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we



praise You for Your glory. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly



Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take away the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. You are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-

ceive our prayer For You alone are the Ho-ly One,
 You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High,
 Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

p Let us pray . . . Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - men.

THE WORD

Isaiah 55:6-9 ⁶ Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. ⁷ Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon. ⁸ "For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, Nor *are* your ways My ways," says the LORD. ⁹ "For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30 ¹² But I want you to know, brethren, that the things *which happened* to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; ¹⁴ and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

¹⁹ For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus

Christ, ²⁰ according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain. ²² But if *I* live on in the flesh, this *will mean* fruit from *my* labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³ For^t I am hard pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, *which is* far better. ²⁴ Nevertheless to remain in the flesh *is* more needful for you. ²⁵ And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, ²⁶ that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again. ²⁷ Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not in any way terrified by your adversaries, which is to them a proof of perdition, but to you of salvation^t, and that from God. ²⁹ For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, ³⁰ having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear *is* in me.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



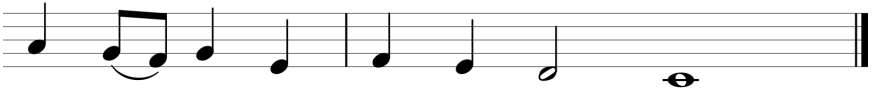
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are written that we may believe that



Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom

all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#496 Hark! the Voice of Jesus Crying

by Daniel March

SERMON

Matthew 20:1-16 "For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² "Now when he had agreed with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ "And he went out about the third hour and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ "and said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. ⁵ "Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did likewise. ⁶ "And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing idle¹, and said to them, 'Why have you been standing here idle all day?' ⁷ "They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and whatever is right you will receive!'⁸ "So when evening had come, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, 'Call the laborers and give them *their* wages, beginning with the last to the first.'⁹ "And when those came who *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they each received a denarius. ¹⁰ "But when the first came, they supposed that they would receive more; and they likewise received each a denarius. ¹¹ "And when they had received *it*, they com-

plained against the landowner, ¹² "saying, 'These last *men* have worked *only* one hour, and you made them equal to us who have borne the burden and the heat of the day.' ¹³ "But he answered one of them and said, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ 'Take *what is yours* and go your way. I wish to give to this last man *the same* as to you. ¹⁵ 'Is it not lawful for me to do what I wish with my own things? Or is your eye evil because I am good?' ¹⁶ "So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen¹."

JESUS TURNS THE WORLD AROUND

The kingdom of heaven is not soldiers and kings but laborers in the vineyard.

The wages of heaven are not based on merit but on grace.

The joy of heaven is not gold but the glory of God.



Create in me a clean heart, O



God. Re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me



not a - way from Your presence; take not Your Ho - ly



Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal -



va - - tion. Up -



hold me with Your free Spir - it.

#315:1-3,6 "I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table"

by Friedrich C. Heyder

OFFERING HYMN #788:1

Lord, You love the cheerful giver
who with open heart and hand blesses freely,
as a river that refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving
with a spirit large and true that our life
and all our living we may consecrate to You.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.



p Lift up your hearts.



p It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, heav'n and earth are
 full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-nain the highest, ho-
 sanna in the highest. Blest is He who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san-nain the highest ho-
 san - na in the high - est.

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, “Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; have mercy up - on us. Lamb of



God You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy up - on



us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION

We invite all those who have registered with the pastor before the service to come forward and receive with us the Lord's Supper. Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

Thank the Lord; sing His praise;
tell ev'ry-one what He has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re-joice and bear Christ's ho-ly name.
Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry-one what
He has done. Send us with Your prom-is-es, Lord;
lead Your peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks-

giv - ing. Thank the Lord; sing His praise;
 tell ev-'ry-one what He has done. Al - le -
 lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

THE 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.

A - men. A - men. A - men.

#377:1,8,9 "Salvation unto Us has Come"

by Paul Speratus

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 24

9am Communion Service

10am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

3:45pm Confirmation Class

Sunday, October 1

9am Worship Service

10am Sunday School

10:15am Bible Class

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 26 Voter's Meeting

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Gary Brown,

Clay Bobek, Jeremy Bobek

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

John Bobek, Dan Thiem,

Russ Brown, Joe, Brown

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 6

Bill Jenkins, Adam Frederick

Next Week Team # 1

David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 112

Bible Class – 39

No Sunday School

General Fund – \$ 9,711

Missions - \$ 1610

In memory of David Fox- \$ 20 to

Building Fund

Building Fund - \$ 25.00

Building Fund - \$ 8324.08

CLC Mission Development - \$

250.00

PRAYERS

Lisa Poch is in the hospital in Madison with complications from diabetes.

Kate Sauers was diagnosed with cancer.

MDF

Currently the MDF balance is enough to cover the cost of our third foreign missionary for the rest of this fiscal year but without additional funds will run dangerously low. Please remember the MDF in your offerings and prayers.

DEPRESSION SEMINAR

If anyone missed the depression seminar last year, the same seminar will be presented in Fond Du Lac. When: Saturday, October 21 at 1pm
Where: Lutheran Memorial, Fond Du Lac

2024 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP

Applications are being accepted for the 2024 Mission Helper Trip to Africa. Find more information and apply online:
mht.lutheranmissions.org

TRIP TO GREECE AND TURKEY

Nathaniel Mayhew is planning a visit to Greece and Turkey to follow in the footsteps of the Apostle Paul. More information is available on the shelf.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezek. 18:1-4, 25-32

Psalms 25:1-10

Phil. 2:1-4 (5-13) 14-18

Matt. 21:23-27 (28-32)

CALL NEWS

Messiah Lutheran of Eau Claire, WI has called Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN to be their third pastor.

Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Lutheran in the Atlanta, GA area returned the call from Calvary Lutheran of Marquette, MI.

Professor Mark Kranz will be retiring at the end of the current school year.

For personal reasons Teacher Nathan Buck has resigned his call to Messiah Lutheran School of Eau Claire WI. Please keep Nathan and his family, as well as Messiah Church and School, in your prayers.



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