



“A Yo Yo Faith”

† The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost †

August 9/10, 2020

Trinity Lutheran Church
Sheboygan, Wisconsin

Confession and Absolution

Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Kneel/Stand

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God, in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Stand

Service of the Word

979 God, Whose Almighty Word

1 God, whose almighty word
 Chaos and darkness heard
 And took their flight:
 Hear us, we humbly pray,
 And where the Gospel day
 Sheds not its glorious ray,
 Let there be light!

2 Lord, who once came to bring,
 On Your redeeming wing,
 Healing and sight,
 Health to the sick in mind,
 Sight to the inly blind:
 Oh, now to humankind
 Let there be light!

3 Spirit of truth and love,
 Life-giving, holy dove,
 Speed forth Your flight;
 Move on the water's face,
 Bearing the lamp of grace,
 And in earth's darkest place
 Let there be light!

△ 4 Holy and blessed Three,
 Glorious Trinity,
 Wisdom, love, might!
 Boundless as ocean's tide,
 Rolling in fullest pride,
 Through the earth, far and wide,
 Let there be light!

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Kyrie

C Lord, have mercy;
 Christ, have mercy;
 Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

C 1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great glory,
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

3 For You alone are holy;
You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever,
Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit
Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory.
"Amen!" our glad reply.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated
At God's right hand on high—

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Job 38:4–18

⁴[The Lord said to Job:] "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?"

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone,

⁷when the morning stars sang together

and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb,

⁹when I made clouds its garment

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed limits for it

and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther,

and here shall your proud waves be stayed'?

¹²"Have you commanded the morning since your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,

¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,

and the wicked be shaken out of it?

¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,

and its features stand out like a garment.

¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,

and their uplifted arm is broken.

- ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
or walked in the recesses of the deep?
¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
Declare, if you know all this.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 10:5–17

⁵Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22–33

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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 the 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.

Sit

717 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

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| 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea. | 3 O Spirit, whom the Father sent
To spread abroad the firmament;
O Wind of heaven, by Thy might
Save all who dare the eagle's flight,
And keep them by Thy watchful care
From ev'ry peril in the air. |
| 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain,
O'er which our traffic runs amain
By mountain pass or valley low;
Wherever, Lord, Thy people go,
Protect them by Thy guarding hand
From ev'ry peril on the land. | 4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea. |

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Sermon

Theme: "A YoY o Faith"

Text: Matthew 14:22-33

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P Lord, in Your mercy,
C hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Stand

Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

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- C** 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
- 2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

Distribution

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.
Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.
Amen.

722 Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

- 1 Lord, take my hand and lead me
Upon life's way;
Direct, protect, and feed me
From day to day.
Without Your grace and favor
I go astray;
So take my hand, O Savior,
And lead the way.
- 2 Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear,
For You, the Rock of Ages,
Are always near.
Close by Your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
For when Your hand is guiding,
In peace I go.

- 3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen
And night has come,
I know that You will strengthen
My steps toward home.
Then nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend;
So take my hand and lead me
Unto the end.

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587 I Know My Faith Is Founded

- 1 I know my faith is founded
On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord;
And this my faith confessing,
Unmoved I stand on His sure Word.
Our reason cannot fathom
The truth of God profound;
Who trusts in human wisdom
Relies on shifting ground.
God's Word is all-sufficient,
It makes divinely sure;
And trusting in its wisdom,
My faith shall rest secure.
- 2 Increase my faith, dear Savior,
For Satan seeks by night and day
To rob me of this treasure
And take my hope of bliss away.
But, Lord, with You beside me,
I shall be undismayed;
And led by Your good Spirit,
I shall be unafraid.
Abide with me, O Savior,
A firmer faith bestow;
Then I shall bid defiance
To ev'ry evil foe.

- 3 In faith, Lord, let me serve You;
Though persecution, grief, and pain
Should seek to overwhelm me,
Let me a steadfast trust retain;
And then at my departure,
Lord, take me home to You,
Your riches to inherit
As all You said holds true.
In life and death, Lord, keep me
Until Your heav'n I gain,
Where I by Your great mercy
The end of faith attain.

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588 Jesus Loves Me

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- 1 Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain
- ref Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.
- 2 Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven's gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin,
Lest His little child come in. Refrain

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.
Depart ☩ in peace.
- C** Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

- C** 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

- A** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 212

- A** Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- 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.
- C** Amen.

726 Evening and Morning

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| <p>1 Evening and morning,
Sunset and dawning,
Wealth, peace, and gladness,
Comfort in sadness:
These are Thy works; all the glory be Thine!
Times without number,
Awake or in slumber,
Thine eye observes us,
From danger preserves us,
Causing Thy mercy upon us to shine.</p> <p>2 Father, O hear me,
Pardon and spare me;
Calm all my terrors,
Blot out my errors
That by Thine eyes they may no more be scanned.
Order my goings,
Direct all my doings;
As it may please Thee,
Retain or release me;
All I commit to Thy fatherly hand.</p> | <p>3 Ills that still grieve me
Soon are to leave me;
Though billows tower, And winds gain
power,
After the storm the fair sun shows its face.
Joys e'er increasing
And peace never ceasing:
These shall I treasure
And share in full measure
When in His mansions God grants me a place.</p> <p>4 To God in heaven
All praise be given!
Come, let us offer
And gladly proffer
To the Creator the gifts He doth prize.
He well receiveth
A heart that believeth;
Hymns that adore Him
Are precious before Him
And to His throne like sweet incense arise.</p> |
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Postlude

Toccata in G

Theodore Dubois

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Our Calendar for August 9 - 16, 2020

Sunday, August 9

8:00 am Divine Service
9:30 am Divine Service
10:45 am Divine Service

The Lutheran Hour
Broadcast Sundays at:
6:30 am WTMJ 620AM
5:00 pm WJUB 1420AM

Friday, August 14

7:00 am Men's Bible Class (FH)

Saturday, August 15

Luke Otten/Ehryn Runkel Wedding

Monday, August 10

Teachers Return
6:30 pm Divine Service

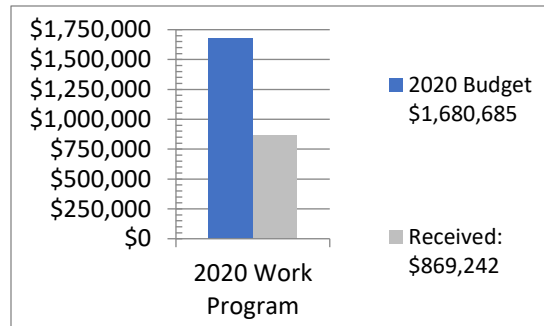
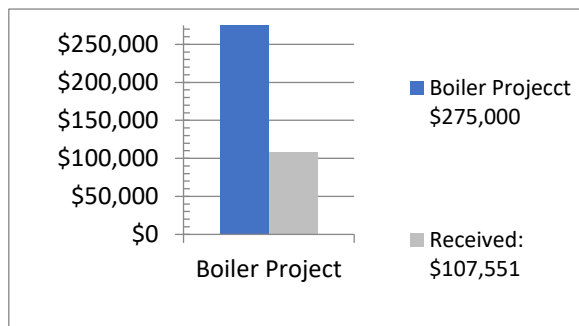
Morning Meditations
WHBL 1330am
7:26am & 10:45am
Trinity - Town Wilson

Sunday, August 16

8:00 am Divine Service
9:30 am Divine Service
10:45 am Divine Service

Wednesday, August 12

11:00 am Sunday Service TV broadcast (Spectrum 990 & U-verse 99)



FLOWERS GIVEN THIS SUNDAY TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

† For blessings received by Dave & Bonnie Leffin

2020-2021 Placement of Faculty & Staff of Trinity and Installation of Dr. Sam Eatherton

**Sunday, August 23, 2020
9:30 am Divine Service**

EATHERTON FAMILY WELCOME: Mark your calendars and please join fellow members of Trinity in welcoming the Eatherton family to Trinity with a gift card shower on Sunday, August 23th.

CHURCH OFFICE/SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS: The church/school offices are running on shorten hours with some work being done at home. Monday-Thursday, the church office is open 8am-12:30pm, closed on Fridays. The school office is open 7am-2pm Monday-Thursday (closed Fridays).

FAMILY NEEDS: If you know of a family in need of food or if you or a family member is in need, please contact Pastor Mech at mech@trinitysheboygan.org.

AUGUST SCRIP DATES: Next order dates are August 16 & 30. **All orders must be placed on Sunday by 10 am.** Pick up dates are **Thursday, August 20 and September 3 by 2 pm.**

CHURCH SERVICE INFORMATION: For the safety and care of all, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic Trinity has offered the Divine Service in accordance with the CDC's recommendations and the guidelines of the State of Wisconsin. Sheboygan County has moved to Phase 2. The Divine Service at Trinity now is **200 people per service**. This is 50% of our sanctuary's capacity. This allows us to continue to gather safely during this pandemic while faithfully receiving our Lord's gifts of salvation. The continued restrictions listed below are motivated by our genuine love and concern for our neighbor (particularly those who are most at risk from the virus). The Divine Service schedule along with service information and instructions is as follows:

- We will continue with three services on Sundays (8am, 9:30am, and 10:45am) and one Monday night service at 6:30pm throughout Phase 2.
- Masks required per Executive Order #82.
- Please use hand sanitizer as you enter.
- Please be seated in pews with a green dot first, and keep proper physical distance as you enter, leave, and during Communion. After green dot pews are filled ushers will stagger seating of people in the other pews.
- The entire Divine Service will be printed in the bulletin (please take your bulletin with you after the service)
- A team of ushers will sanitize the pews after each service .
- The Lord's Supper will be distributed in a continuous way one side at a time, keeping physical distancing, with people coming up the center aisle and returning via the side aisle (this is similar to the way we distribute the Lord's Supper at the church picnic).
- As much as we all would like to, please do not gather in groups in the church building after the Divine Service (cleaning crew needs time to sanitize the pews, entrances, exits, etc.).

NEAT REPEAT UPDATES: Neat Repeats is monitoring the COVID-19 situation closely, and in our continuing effort to keep everyone safe, we will be requiring customers and workers at Neat Repeats to wear masks. The Neat Repeats Board of Directors has also decided that we will not do furniture pickups, and we will not pick up items that are left after church rummage sales for the remainder of 2020.

The upcoming sales are as follows:

8/11	(2 nd Tuesday of the month) 30% off all regular priced merchandise
8/12-8/15	Purses, luggage and tote bags 50% off
8/18-8/22	Linens 50% off
8/25-8/29	Furniture & Lamps 50% off



STEPHEN MINISTRY: Have you been thinking about joining our class for training Stephen Ministry Caregivers? Now is the time to let us know. We will be starting our new class after Labor Day and plan to finish training before Christmas. We will adhere to CDC guidelines in our class. Please call one of our leaders for more information and/or an application form. We need you! Our people need you!

You can do this! Because you care! You will have 50 hours of training to prepare you and a team of caregivers to help you - with God as our leader. Think about it! Pray about it!

"I CAN DO EVERYTHING THROUGH HIM WHO GIVES ME STRENGTH." Philippians 4:13

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Pastor John berg - 458-8246
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AUTOMATED GIVING: If any of you are interested in starting automated giving for your offerings, there is a form on the back of the bulletin. Please fill out areas 1-5 and return the form and a voided check to the church office.

PART-TIME CUSTODIAL POSITION OPENINGS: Sheboygan Lutheran High School is accepting applications for (2) evening custodial positions. This year-round position requires 5 days/week, 4 hrs/day of cleaning the school buildings to maintain a well-kept and sanitary facility. Applications for employment can be downloaded from the www.lutheranhigh.com website or obtained in the LHS school office (Mon - Thurs, 9a-3p).

CONGREGATION AT PRAYER & DEVOTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Invocation

Introit (front page)

Meditation: Portals of Prayer/Devotion

DAILY READINGS: LSB #301

Sun: 1 Sam. 25:1-22; 1 Cor. 3:1-23

Mon: 1 Sam. 25:23-44; 1 Cor. 4:1-21

Tues: 1 Sam. 26:1-25; 1 Cor. 5:1-13

Wed: 1 Sam. 28:3-25; 1 Cor. 6:1-20

Thurs: 1 Sam. 31:1-13; 1 Cor. 7:1-24

Fri: 2 Sam. 1:1-27; 1 Cor. 7:25-40

Sat: 2 Sam. 5:1-25; 1 Cor. 8:1-13

In Our Prayers This Week:

- † Jean Scheblein, living with pulmonary fibrosis
- † Steve Heronemus and his family, living with ALS
- † Debra Kelm, management of an illness
- † Brendon Cullen, extended physical therapy
- † Bernadette Strate, sister of Tom Hoem, cancer
- † Sue Mack, cousin of Beth Riemer, cancer
- † Richard Merkel, father of Jenny Jerdee, cancer treatment
- † Christina Newton Ray, cancer treatment
- † Sandra Finney, cancer treatment
- † Jennifer Pralle, sister of Katherine Pape, breast cancer
- † Sharon Riemer, sister in law of Beth Riemer, ovarian cancer
- † Ruthann Shields, daughter of Marion Rieboldt, cancer
- † Barrett, son of Josh & Amanda (Dillman) Graminske, leukemia
- † Serving in the military: Timothy Schwanke, Rev. Brian Banke, Robert Badtke, Andrew Kelm, Robert Holt, Austin Griesbach, Max Konetzki, Adam Robinson, Elizabeth Risler, Darryl Carlson, Nate Yeager, Robert Holt
- † Tom Mockert, long-term rehabilitation
- † Chris Staudinger, hospitalized at St. Luke's
- † Janel Yurk, living with an autoimmune disease
- † Saholy Rakontonirina, afflicted with COVID-19
- † Matt Makela, cancer treatment
- † Our teachers and staff, as they prepare for the upcoming school year

Hymn of the Week: "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" **LSB #717**

Apostles' Creed

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 9, 2020

Introit

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

**I sought the LORD, and he | answered me*
and delivered me from | all my fears.
Those who look to him are | radiant,*
and their faces shall never | be ashamed.
This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him*
and saved him out of all his | troubles.
The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,*
and de- | livers them.
Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!*
Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

I will bless the LORD at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

Collect

Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,*
for those who fear him lack | nothing!
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,*
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32; Mathew 15:21-28

Job 38:4-18 ⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? ⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, ⁹when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed?’ ¹²“Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, ¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld, and their uplifted arm is broken. ¹⁶“Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

Romans 10:5-17 ⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Matthew 14:22-33 ²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” ²⁸And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” ²⁹He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Treasures from the Church: “When Christ is present in the Church, that is by faith, the tumult of the conscience, of fear, and of every danger whatsoever is compelled to be still. For Christ is our peace, calm, comfort, and security in every tribulation because He treads down all things underfoot; that is He is the victor over all things, and His victory is ours.” Martin Luther, *Luther's Works, Volume 67, p. 233 CPH 2015*

Today's Reading: The Lord who *“laid the foundation of the earth”* (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has *“entered into the springs of the sea”* and *“walked in the recesses of the deep”* (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been *“a long way from the land, beaten by the waves,”* and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us: *“Do not be afraid,”* and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). *“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”* (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith, because we have heard *“through the Word of Christ”* (Rom. 10:17). *“The Word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”* (Rom. 10:8).

Liturgy and Hymns: “According to twentieth-century Lutheran theologian Herman Sasse, ‘Faith by its very nature cannot keep silent. It must confess, and not only in praise of God and in spiritual song but in all situations, also in the clear and factual dogmatic sentence.’ One does not have to look far to find where all important doctrines are in a living form for the saints to rehearse again and again. It is in the hymnals of the Lutheran Church where the rich confession of the faith is given to the saints. This is where doctrine comes alive and is able to be sung for a lifetime. Here the sublime form of the hymn is able to carry doctrine effortlessly and beautifully in a crafted, poetic, memorable and understandable way for young and old to take to their lips, their hearts and their memory. This is why the word ‘confession’ fits the concise definition of a hymn so well, and it suggests this significant result: that Lutherans believe what a hymn puts onto their lips and into their hearts.” Richard Resch *Lutheran Service Book - Hymnal Companion Volume 2 CPH 2019*

Sermon: Think of all the stories in the Scriptures where people are crying out to Jesus for help. The disciples often don't want to be bothered. They often think as we think, that these cries for help are bothersome to Jesus and He wants us to be strong and self-sufficient and stand on our own two feet. But no, it is not that way at all. Jesus rebukes the disciples for thinking that way, and then He stops and helps. Just as He reached out to a sinking Peter, so He reaches out His divine hand to the lepers, the blind, the deaf, the lame, the dead - Jesus grabs them and gives them life. It is his joy and His passion. It is why He came into the flesh to save us.