

For the message of the cross
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who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved
it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:18, NIV

A painting of a tree in a field with a rainbow in the sky. The tree is on the left, and the rainbow is on the right. The sky is filled with purple and blue clouds. The ground is green.

*Faith Lutheran Church
Sunday March 7th 2021*

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

March 7, 2021

Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

Speaker:

Zachary Sippert

Musicians:

Mark and Greta Brown

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. ² Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. ³ *There is no speech nor language Where their voice is not heard.* ⁴ Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun, ⁵ *Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoices like a strong man to run its race.* ⁶ Its rising is from one end of heaven, And its circuit to the other end; And there is nothing hidden from its heat. ⁷ The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; ⁸ The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. ¹¹ Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. ¹² Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. ¹³ Keep back Your servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression. ¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#175 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

by Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride.

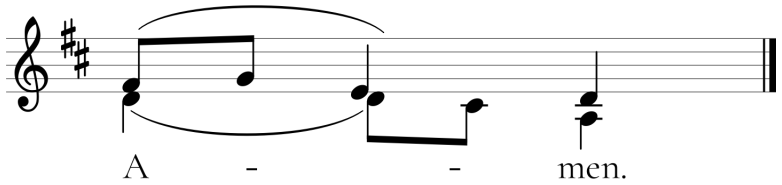
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that harm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

3. See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4. Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

INVOCATION

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

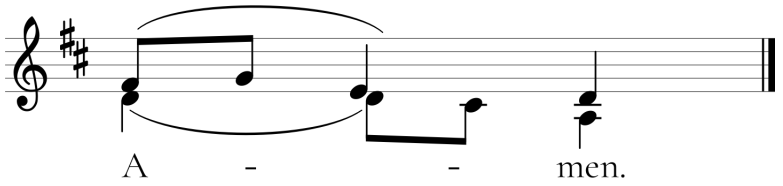


CONFESSION OF SINS

p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

p God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.



A - - - men.



Lord, have, mer - cy on us.



Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.



Glo - ry to God, we
Lord Je - sus Christ, the
A - lone, O Christ, You



give You thanks and praise; Of heav'n - ly
Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You bore for
on - ly are the Lord, At God's right



joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor-ship
us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
hand in maj-es - ty most high: Who, with the

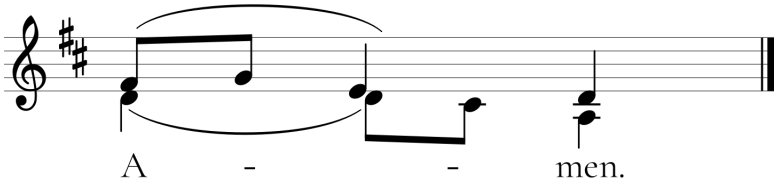


You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al-
God, Your glo-rious vic-t'ry won, Re - ceive our
Spir - it worshiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

p Let us pray . . . O God, whose glory it is to always have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word: through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns through the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



THE WORD

Exodus 20:1-17 And God spoke all these words, saying: ² "I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. ³ "You shall have no other gods before Me. ⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of *anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth; ⁵ you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, *am* a jealous God,

visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth *generations* of those who hate Me, ⁶ but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments. ⁷ "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless who takes His name in vain. ⁸

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. *In it* you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. ¹¹ For *in* six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.

¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ "You shall not murder. ¹⁴ "You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ "You shall not steal. ¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."


1 Corinthians 1:18-31 ¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." ²⁰ Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. ²² For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; ²³ but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. ²⁶ For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*. ²⁷ But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; ²⁸ and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen,

and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, ²⁹ that no flesh should glory in His presence. ³⁰ But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God-- and righteousness and sanctification and redemption-- ³¹ that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD."

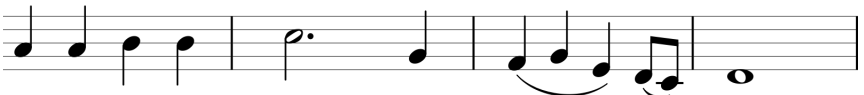
p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



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 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.

#156 "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

by Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

1. Not all the blood of beasts

On Jewish altars slain

Could give the guilty conscience peace

Or wash away the stain.

2. But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,
Takes all our sins away;
A sacrifice of nobler name
And richer blood than they.

3. My faith would lay her hand
On that dear head, of Thine
While like a penitent I stand
And there confess my sin.

4. My soul looks back to see
The burden Thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursed tree
And knows her guilt was there.

5. Believing, we rejoice
To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice
And sing His bleeding love.

SERMON

Luke 11:14-28 ¹⁴ And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. ¹⁵ But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons." ¹⁶ Others, testing *Him*, sought from Him a sign from heaven. ¹⁷ But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house *divided* against a house falls. ¹⁸ "If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub. ¹⁹ "And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? Therefore they will be your judges. ²⁰ "But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. ²¹ "When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. ²² "But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils. ²³ "He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters. ²⁴ "When an un-

clean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' ²⁵ "And when he comes, he finds *it* swept and put in order. ²⁶ "Then he goes and takes with *him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first." ²⁷ And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and *the* breasts which nursed You!" ²⁸ But He said, "More than that, blessed *are* those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

THE STRONGER CONQUERS THE STRONG

1. By His power
2. And His word



Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-



new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a-



way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly



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



va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

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.

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.



#467 "Built on the Rock the Church doth Stand"

by Nicolai F.S. Grundtvig, 1783-1872

1. Built on the Rock the Church doth stand,
Even when steeples are falling;
Crumbled have spires in every land,
Bells still are chiming and calling,
Calling the young and old to rest,
But above all the soul distrest,
Longing for rest everlasting.

2. Surely in temples made with hands,
God, the Most High, is not dwelling;
High above earth His temple stands,
All earthly temples excelling.
Yet He whom heavens cannot contain
Chose to abide on earth with men,
Built in our bodies His temple.

3. We are God's house of living stones,
Builded for His habitation;
He through baptismal grace us owns
Heirs of His wondrous salvation.
Were we but two His name to tell,
Yet He would deign with us to dwell,
With all His grace and His favor.

7. Grant then, O God, where'er men roam,
That, when the church-bells are ringing,
Many in saving faith may come
Where Christ His message is bringing:
"I know Mine own, Mine own know Me;
Ye, not the world, My face shall see.
My peace I leave with you." Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 7

8:30 am Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Bible Class
10:30 am Worship Service

Tuesday, March 9

7pm Elders Meeting
7:30pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 3

4:30 pm Confirmation Class
7 pm Lent Service

Sunday, March 14

8:30 am Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Bible Class
10:30 am Worship Service

USHERS FOR MARCH,

EARLY SERVICE

Greg Jones, Mike Dumke,
Jim Hanneman, Jim Kok

LATE SERVICE

Gary Brown, Bob Kirst,
Bruce Braaksma, Geoffery Ward

LENT WEDNESDAYS

Greg Jones, Mike Dumke

FRUITS OF FAITH

General \$ 3806.00
Missions \$ 275.00
Memorials- \$ 25.00 In memory of
Cathy Stellmacher

ATTENDANCE

Sunday Service - 58
Second Service - 24
Sunday School - 9
Bible Class - 10
Ash Wednesday Attendance - 29

COUNTERS

This Week: Team # 1

Dennis Jones, Jeff Jones

Next Week: Team # 2

David Dillie, Darren Dillie

CLEANING HELP

If you are able and willing to help clean once in a while, please contact Marsha Brown at 920-398-3279 or 920-570-1076 or email her at :
martab@centurytel.net

TUBING OUTING

We are planning a tubing outing for the kids, 1pm Saturday March 13 at Sunburst in Kewaskum, WI. The cost will be \$16 per person for two hours of tubing. There is a minimum height Recommendation of 42".

If you would like to sign up go to: <https://shop.skisunburst.com/groups>

The group code is FLC2021

The day of please arrive at sunburst park before 12:40pm with exact cash in hand. For more information contact pastor or Lisa Reyes.

TOUR CHOIR

The full tour choir itinerary is on the bulletin board.

The Tour Choir will be in Millston, WI on Sunday March 21 at 11:00 am

W6634 Railroad Street
Millston WI
Pastor Chad Sebyt
307-214-7033

TOUR CHOIR CDS

The new tour choir CDs are available to purchase on the table in the hallway.

LETTER FROM JESSICA

Dear Members of Faith,

Thank you for calling me to serve as your upper grade teacher. Your faith in my teaching skills and background is very much appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed.

Faith has made a huge impact on me my entire life. As a young child, Faith helped me grow mentally, physically, and most importantly, spiritually. Now as an adult, I can't wait to have my children become students at Faith.

After prayerful consideration, I believe the Lord's plan is for me to fulfill His Word as a teacher at Faith. With that being said, I am happy to accept the call and I am

excited to work with the students and staff members in the next school year.

-Jessica Krueger

CALL NEWS

Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY and Redeemer, Bowdle/Zion, Ipswich, SD have put in a request/call for the Seminary graduate.

Matthew Kranz, Immanuel, Mankato, MN has been called to be the second full-time teacher at Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL.

Nathan Wales, West Columbia, SC, has returned the call by Grace, Sleepy Eye MN to serve as their principal and teacher and he has also returned the call by Messiah, Eau Claire, WI to teach in grades 5-6.

Pastor David Schaller, Redeemer, Sister Lakes (Dowagiac), MI, has accepted the call to serve as professor at Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI.

Immanuel, Mankato, MN has called Eric Libby to the Assistant Principal/Counselor position and Kevin Schrader to the High School Math and Science position.

Jessica Krueger accepted the call to be upper grade teacher at Faith Markesan, WI

CHRIST'S EXPLORERS CAMP,

AUG. 12-15, IN TN

Holy Trinity of West Columbia, SC is excited to announce that we will be conducting Christ's Explorers Camp for students entering grades 3-9. The camp will be held in Pigeon Forge, TN, from August 12-15. The camp's theme this year will be "Fix your eyes on Christ." We have 6 (3 male, 3 female) junior counselor spots available for students entering grade 10 or higher. The applications will be due on Sunday, April 4. The camp will cost \$75, and this will include all lodging, meals, and activities. This camp will be limited to the first 50 campers, so be ready to register when registration opens on May 1. Please feel free to contact Sara Kloke at runsforfun@aol.com or Karen Howell kdhowell32@gmail.com for more information.



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