


# Faith Lutheran Church



You cannot serve both  
God and money.

*Luke 16:13, NIV*

September 18<sup>th</sup> 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

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Liturgy: Common Service**

**Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:** Ann Sprengeler

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 119:169-176*

169 May my cry come before you, LORD; give me understanding according to your word. 170 May my supplication come before you; deliver me according to your promise. 171 May my lips overflow with praise, for you teach me your decrees. 172 May my tongue sing of your word, for all your commands are righteous. 173 May your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. 174 I long for your salvation, LORD, and your law gives me delight.

175 Let me live that I may praise you, and may your laws sustain me. 176 I have strayed like a lost sheep. Seek your servant, for I have not forgotten your commands.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## #373:1-4 "By Grace I'm Saved"

by Christian Ludwig Scheidt

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;  
My soul, believe and doubt it not.  
Why stagger at this word of promise?  
Hath Scripture ever falsehood taught?  
Nay; then this word must true remain;  
By grace thou, too, shalt heav'n obtain.

2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;  
Our works and conduct have no worth.  
God in His love sent our Redeemer,  
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;  
His death did for our sins atone,  
And we are saved by grace alone.

3 By grace! Oh, mark this word of promise  
When thou art by thy sins opprest,  
When Satan plagues thy troubled conscience,  
And when thy heart is seeking rest.  
What reason cannot comprehend  
God by His grace to thee doth send.

4 By grace God's Son, our only Savior,  
Came down to earth to bear our sin.  
Was it because of thine own merit  
That Jesus died thy soul to win?  
Nay, it was grace, and grace alone,  
That bro't Him from His heav'nly throne.

## 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.

all Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -  
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, 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.

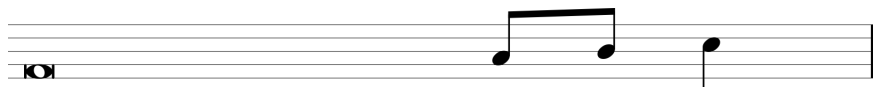


p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Four staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter notes: Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4, Bb3, A3, G3, F3, E3, D3, C3, Bb2, A2, G2, F2, E2, D2, C2, Bb1, A1, G1, F1, E1, D1, C1, Bb0, A0, G0, F0, E0, D0, C0, Bb-1, A-1, G-1, F-1, E-1, D-1, C-1, Bb-2, A-2, G-2, F-2, E-2, D-2, C-2, Bb-3, A-3, G-3, F-3, E-3, D-3, C-3, Bb-4, A-4, G-4, F-4, E-4, D-4, C-4, Bb-5, A-5, G-5, F-5, E-5, D-5, C-5, Bb-6, A-6, G-6, F-6, E-6, D-6, C-6, Bb-7, A-7, G-7, F-7, E-7, D-7, C-7, Bb-8, A-8, G-8, F-8, E-8, D-8, C-8, Bb-9, A-9, G-9, F-9, E-9, D-9, C-9, Bb-10, A-10, G-10, F-10, E-10, D-10, C-10, Bb-11, A-11, G-11, F-11, E-11, D-11, C-11, Bb-12, A-12, G-12, F-12, E-12, D-12, C-12, Bb-13, A-13, G-13, F-13, E-13, D-13, C-13, Bb-14, A-14, G-14, F-14, E-14, D-14, C-14, Bb-15, A-15, G-15, F-15, E-15, D-15, C-15, Bb-16, A-16, G-16, F-16, E-16, D-16, C-16, Bb-17, A-17, G-17, F-17, E-17, D-17, C-17, Bb-18, A-18, G-18, F-18, E-18, D-18, C-18, Bb-19, A-19, G-19, F-19, E-19, D-19, C-19, Bb-20, A-20, G-20, F-20, E-20, D-20, C-20, Bb-21, A-21, G-21, F-21, 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O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.



You take away the sin of the world; re-cieve our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.

And al - so with you.

p Let us pray . . . Oh Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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

**Amos 8:4-7** Hear this, you who swallow up the needy,  
And make the poor of the land fail, 5 Saying: "When will  
the New Moon be past, That we may sell grain? And the  
Sabbath, That we may trade wheat? Making the ephah  
small and the shekel large, Falsifying the scales by deceit, 6  
That we may buy the poor for silver, And the needy for a  
pair of sandals-- Even sell the bad wheat?" 7 The LORD  
has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget  
any of their works.

**1 Timothy 2:1-15** When Therefore I exhort first of all that  
supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks  
be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in author-  
ity, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all god-  
liness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in  
the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be  
saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For  
there is one God and one Mediator between God and  
men, the Man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself a ransom  
for all, to be testified in due time, 7 for which I was ap-

pointed a preacher and an apostle-- I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying-- a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. 8 I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; 9 in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, 10 but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works. 11 Let a woman learn in silence with all submission. 12 And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. 13 For Adam was formed first, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression. 15 Nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

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



# 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.

# #151:1-3,7 CHRIST THE LIFE

By Ernst C. Homburg

1 Christ, the Life of all the living,  
Christ, the Death of death, our foe,  
Who, Thyself for me once giving  
To the darkest depths of woe,--  
Thro' thy suff'rings, death, and merit  
I eternal life inherit:  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

2 Thou, ah! Thou, hast taken on Thee  
Bonds and stripes, a cruel rod;  
Pain and scorn were heaped upon Thee,  
O Thou sinless Son of God!  
Thus didst Thou my soul deliver  
From the bonds of sin forever.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

3 Thou hast borne the smiting only  
That my wounds might all be whole;  
Thou hast suffered, sad and lonely,  
Rest to give my weary soul;  
Yea, the curse of God enduring,  
Blessing unto me securing.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden,  
I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing,  
For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry,  
And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

# SERMON

**Luke 16:1-15** <sup>23</sup> He also said to His disciples: "There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. <sup>2</sup> "So he called him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.' <sup>3</sup> "Then the steward said within himself, 'What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup> 'I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.' <sup>5</sup> "So he called every one of his master's debtors to him, and said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' <sup>6</sup> "And he said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' So he said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' <sup>7</sup> "Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' So he said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' And he said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' <sup>8</sup> "So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup> "And I say to you,

make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. 10 "He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. 11 "Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? 12 "And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own? 13 "No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." 14 Now the Pharisees, who were lovers of money, also heard all these things, and they derided Him. 15 And He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

## **INVEST IN GOD'S MERCY**

Exchange your earthly treasure for heavenly. Risk your whole life on God's mercy. You will not lose.





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, and



take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to



me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -



hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

## #442:1,2,5 "Lord of Glory"

by Eliza S. Alderson

1 Lord of Glory, who hast bo't us  
With Thy life-blood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice;  
And with that hast freely given  
Blessings countless as the sand  
To th'unthankful and the evil  
With Thine own unsparing hand;

2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee  
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;  
With the sunshine of Thy goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by Thee, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.

# OFFERING

5 Lord of Glory, who hast bought us  
With Thy life-blood as the price,  
Never grudging for the lost ones  
That tremendous sacrifice.  
Give us faith to trust Thee boldly,  
Hope, to stay our souls on Thee;  
But, oh! best of all Thy graces,  
Give us Thine own charity.

## 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.



## #36 Now Thank We All Our God

By Martin Linkart

1 Now thank we all our God  
With heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms Hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God  
Thro' all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts  
And blessed peace to cheer us  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!

3 All praise and thanks to God  
The Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns  
With them in highest heaven:  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday, September 18**

9 am Worship Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

**Wednesday, September 21**

3:40pm Confirmation Class

**Sunday, September 25**

9 am Communion Service

10 am Sunday School

10:15 am Bible Class

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Mike Dumke,  
Clay Bobek, Jeremy Bobek

### USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Dan Thiem, Russ Brown,  
Andy Kohn, Parker Kohn

## COUNTERS

**This Week Team # 5**

Steve Meilahn, Dale, Muehlenhaupt

**Next Week Team # 6**

Wayne Draeger, David Draeger

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 81

Bible Class - 19

General - \$2140.50

Missions - \$155.00

In memory of Ruth Pamenter

\$75.00 for Boiler

In memory of Edwin Stelter

\$20.00 for Boiler

Building Fund - \$ 100.00

Building Fund- \$ 200.00 for Boiler

## CLEANING THE CHURCH

Marsha will be unable to clean for at least 3-4 weeks. Ashley Utter is helping however Ashley will not be available next weekend, Sept 24th. Please, if anyone can help, call Marsha at 920-570-1076 or 920-398-3279. If no one comes forward, the school, kitchen, cafeteria will not get done.

## BOILER

We now have over \$10,000 in the building fund. No more is need at

the present. Thanks to all who donated.

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Amos 6:1–7

Psalm 146

1 Tim. 6:6–19

Luke 16:19–31

## **CALL NEWS**

Pastor James Albrecht of St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN, has returned the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

Pastor James Naumann of Our Savior's Lutheran, Jamestown, ND, has received the call to Ascension Lutheran, Tacoma, WA.

Pastor Nathanael Mayhew of Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye and Faith Lutheran, New Ulm, MN, is still considering the call to Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL.

Pastor Rob Sauers of Luther Memorial Lutheran, Fond du Lac, WI, is still considering the call to Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA.



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