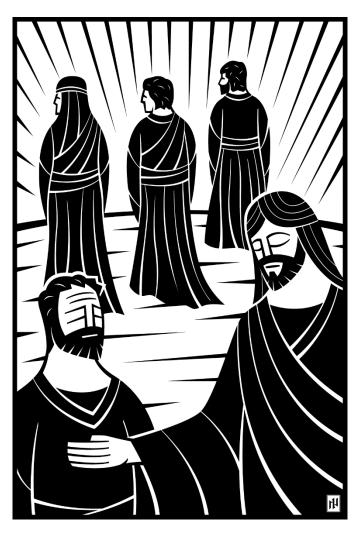


The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Jesus has the Words of Eternal Life



"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD."" Psalm 122:1



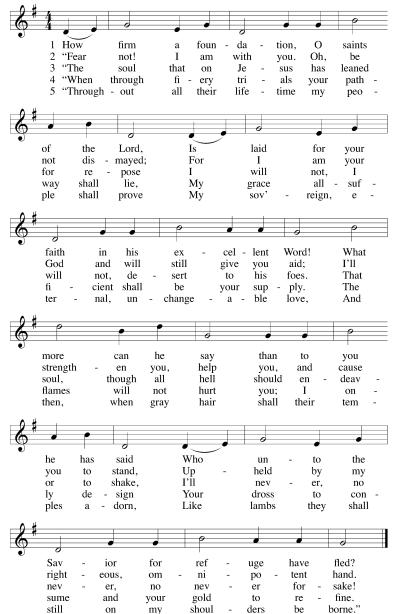
Lord of Love Lutheran Church

August 29, 2021

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (CWS 768)

How Firm a Foundation





CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

STAND

INVOCATION

- M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

CONFESSION

- M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.
- C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice, For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

ABSOLUTION

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

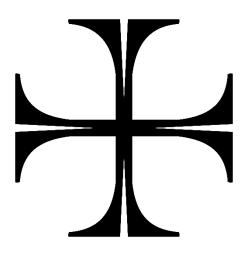
LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

Mark 10:47

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

- C: Lord, have mercy.
- **M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.
- C: Christ, have mercy.
- **M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.
- C: Lord, have mercy.
- M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.
- C: Amen.



GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

Luke 2:14 Tune: Old Hundredth (CW#334)

All be God high! 1 glo - ry to on grate - ful 2 Our bring, thanks to you we 3 0 Lamb God, of to you we pray. 4 You, Christ, ho Lord lone; are lya ρ 6 Your 0 ri name, Lord, glo fy; we For glo vour great heav'n ly King, ry, You take all hu man sin way. a The Fath er's glo ry you made known. . 0 0 We praise you for your peace and grace, For all, 0 Fath - er, have done you Have Lord; mer cy, re ceive our prayer; We by Spir - it sing your gain: a 0 d 0 0 0 Your fav or toward our fal len race. _ _ Through Je Christ, your Son. sus on ly right hand, your From God's mer share. cy "All God!" glo be to ry Α men.



THE WORD

SALUTATION

- **M:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

FIRST LESSON

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

¹Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel at Shechem, and he summoned the elders of Israel, its heads, its judges, and its officers, and they presented themselves before God. ²Then Joshua told all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel has said."

¹⁴Joshua said, "Now, therefore, fear the LORD and serve him wholeheartedly and faithfully. Remove the gods that your fathers served in the region across the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵But if you see no benefit in serving the LORD, then choose for yourselves today whomever you will serve—whether the gods that your fathers served

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beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household—we will serve the LORD!"

¹⁶The people responded by saying, "Far be it from us to forsake the LORD in order to serve other gods! ¹⁷For the LORD our God, he is the one who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, where we were slaves. He is the one who performed these great signs right before our eyes and protected us on the whole journey that we made and among all the peoples through whom we passed. ¹⁸The LORD drove out of our presence all the peoples and the Amorites who were living in the land. We too will serve the LORD, because he is our God!"

SECOND LESSON

²¹ ... and by submitting to one another in reverence for Christ.

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he himself is the Savior. ²⁴Moreover, as the church submits to Christ, so also wives are to submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵Husbands, love your wives, in the same way as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶to make her holy, by cleansing her with the washing of water in connection with the Word. ²⁷He did this so that he could present her to himself as a glorious church, having no stain or wrinkle or any such thing, but so that she would be holy and blameless. ²⁸In the same way, husbands have an obligation to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹To be sure, no one has ever hated his own body, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰because we are members of his body, of his flesh and of his bones. ³¹ "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will be one flesh."

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Christ Jesus has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Alleluia. (2 Timothy 1:10)

Ephesians 5:21–31

STAND

GOSPEL LESSON

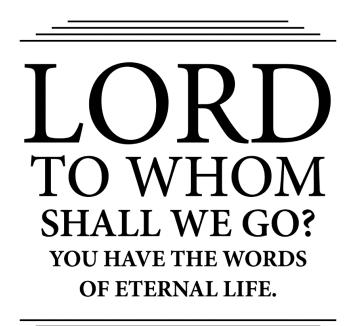
⁶⁰When they heard it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching! Who can listen to it?"

⁶¹But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, asked them, "Does this cause you to stumble in your faith? ⁶²What if you would see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³The Spirit is the one who gives life. The flesh does not help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. ⁶⁴But there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the beginning those who would not believe and the one who would betray him. ⁶⁵He said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me, unless it is given to him by my Father."

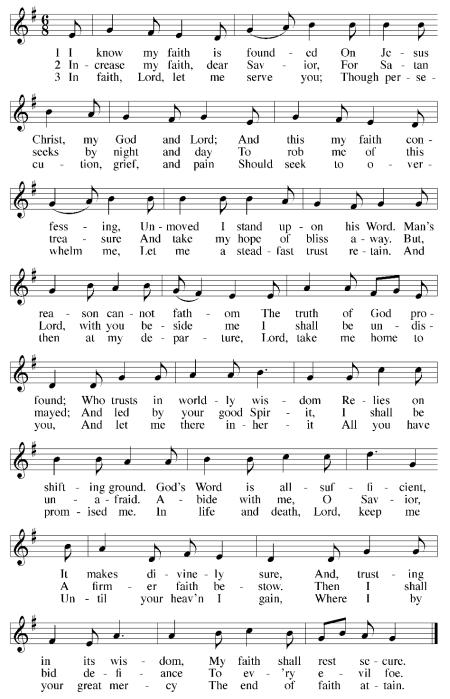
⁶⁶After this, many of his disciples turned back and were not walking with him anymore. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the Twelve, "You do not want to leave too, do you?"

⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom will we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

BE SEATED



HYMN (CW 403)



A Proper Response to the LORD's Mercy: "We will Serve the LORD!"

STAND

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONFIRMATION (9:00 Service)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (10:30 Service)

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

- **M:** Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.
- **M:** We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- **M:** Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.
- C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

> The recorded service for members at home concludes here. We continue with the service of the Sacrament with those gathered in the sanctuary.



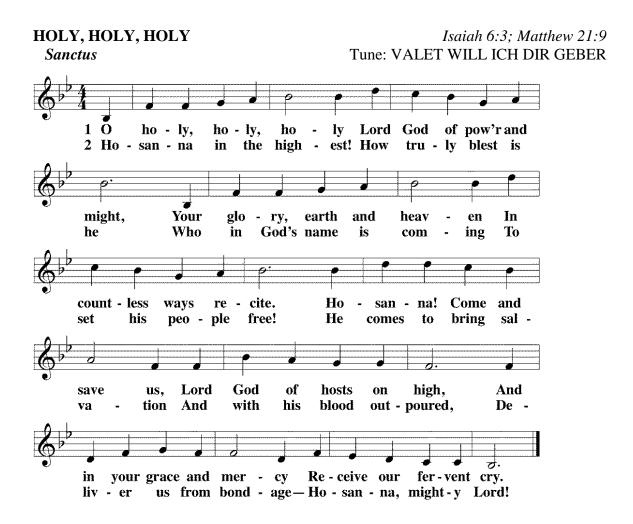
THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

- **M:** The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- M: Lift up your hearts.
- **C:** We lift them up to the Lord.
- **M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness.

Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



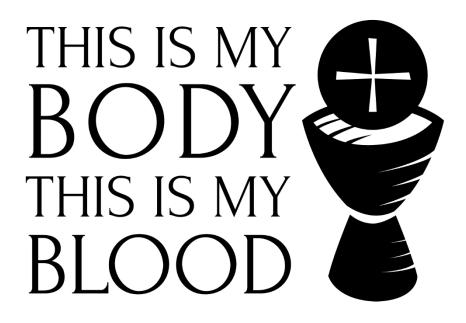
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-2 1 Corinthians 11:24,25

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



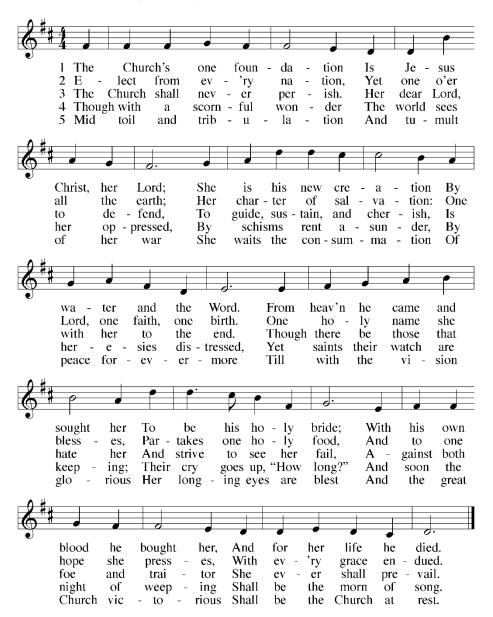


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DISTRIBUTION

In accordance with the Scriptural practice of closed Communion, we invite to the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood the communicant members of this congregation. We invite also the communicant members of our sister congregations in our fellowship (the WELS and the ELS) who have made their intention known to one of our pastors. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with a pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 538)



Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839-1900, abr., alt.

Tune: AURELIA (76 76 D) Samuel S. Wesley, 1810-76.

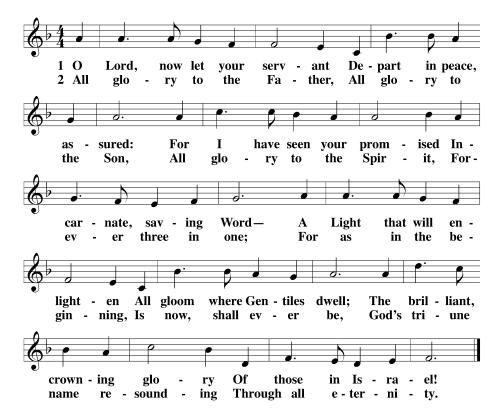
DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 529)



Text: Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1783–1872, abr.; tr. Carl Döving, 1867–1937, alt. Tune: KIRKEN DEN ER ET GAMMELT HUS (88 88 88 8) Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87.

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



- M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen.

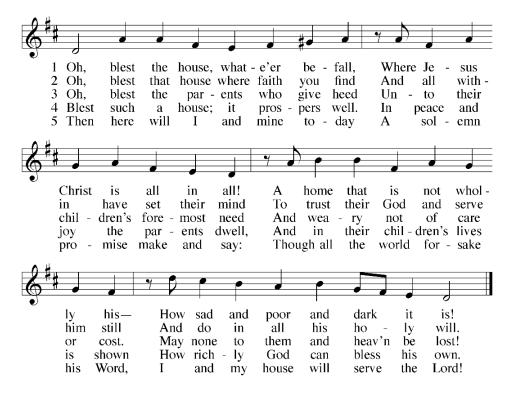
BLESSING

- M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.
- C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 506)

Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall



Text: Christoph C. L. von Pfeil, 1715–84, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–78, st. 1-2, 4-5, alt; *Evangelical Lutheran Hynnal*, Columbus, OH, 1880, st. 3, alt.

Tune: WO GOTT ZUM HAUS (LM) Klug, Geistliche Lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1535.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Sunday August 29: 14th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am: Private Examination Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

- Preaching Pastor: Michael Willitz Presiding Pastor: Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristen Huebner
- Councilman: Steve Kalscheuer (9:00) and Mitch Myhre (10:30)
- Ushers 9:00 am: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Ushers 10:30 am: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer
 A/V & Recording: Jen Olson

Sunday September 5: 15th Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 am: The Family Altar Devotion, *sanctuary* Worship Services at 9:00 & 10:30 with Holy Communion

- Preaching Pastor: Joel Jenswold Presiding Pastor: Michael Willitz
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: *TBA* (9:00) and *TBA* (10:30)
- Ushers 9:00 am: Roger LaGrange and Lynn Biwer
- Ushers 10:30 am: Mark Heath and Matt Heath
- Altar Guild: Sue Jenswold

• A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Confirmation: Today in the 9:00 service, **Dawson Dregne** will be confirmed in the Christian faith which he received in Holy Baptism. Dawson is a young member of our congregation and is the son of Lord of Love member Nicole Immel. He has been instructed in the teaching of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Today he confesses his faith and becomes a communicant member of our congregation.

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Nikki Crary (8/29), Lea Hanson (8/29), Sheri Holzman (8/31), Patricia Rimmert (9/1) and Vie Miller (9/4) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Bonnie & John Schueman (8/31), Pastor Michael & Erica Willitz (8/31) and Mark & Sandy Heath (9/3) who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Wyatt Kingsland, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Barb Noltemeyer, Jack Richardson, Marge Ripp and Peg Schroeder who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all of our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Shannon & Matthew Garrett, Sara Goss and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Choir practice begins Tuesday August 31

Church choir will begin practices starting Tuesday August 31. Practices are each Tuesday from 6—7. If you would like more information, contact Elaine Wilson at: for the second

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Sunday School and Teen Group begins September 12, 2021



Children ages 4 years through 8^{th} grade are invited to join us for inperson Sunday school starting this fall. Students $9 - 12^{th}$ grade are invited to the Teen group. Both meet between services each Sunday from 9:15—10:15 am during the school year. Fill out a registration form located at church or on our website:

http://www.lordoflovelutheran.org

Sunday Devotion at 8:00 am - The Family Altar

Families of all ages are invited to this morning devotion. The group follows the format of *The Family Altar* which is available each week at the back of church, or on our website under **Devotions**. The group meets in the sanctuary. (*There is no in-person devotion 8/29.*)

Tuesday Bible Study at 9:00 am



"Gospel" means "good news"! The good news Mark brings us is Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. In a world that constantly unsettles us with bad news, Mark's good news offers us lasting

peace and joy! Bring your Bible and join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 for a study on the book of Mark! The group currently meets upstairs. Coffee is served.

Wednesday Bible Study at 6:30 pm Topic: Ephesians

This study meets in the sanctuary.

Friday Breakfast/Bible Study at 6:00 am, Topic: Acts

The group meets each Friday morning at the DeForest Family Restaurant. (505 W. North Street, DeForest) Breakfast is at 6:00 am with the study starting at approx. 6:50 am.