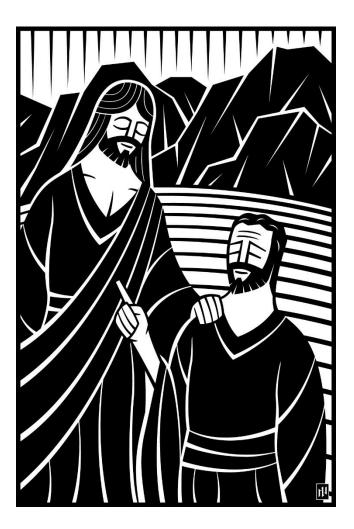


Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Knowing & Confessing Christ



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



Today's service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

August 27, 2023

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (CW 149)

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today



Praise the resurrected Lord!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-88, abr., alt.

Tune: ORIENTIS PARTIBUS (77 77) Pierre de Corbeille, d. 1221, adapt.



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

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

0 0 0 All glo be God high! 1 ry to on -2 grate - ful Our thanks you bring, to we 3 0 Lamb of God. to you we pray. 4 You, Christ, ho -Lord are lylone; a Ó Your name, 0 Lord, glo ri fy; we heav'n For glo ly vour great ry, King. You take all hu sin man way. a The Fath - er's glo made ry you known. ø \overline{a} d We praise you for peace and your grace, Fath - er, For all, 0 have done you Have cy, Lord: prayer; mer re ceive our We Spir - it by sing gain: your a 0 0 Your fav toward our fal or len race. Ŧ -Through Je Christ, your ly sus on Son. -From God's right hand, your cy share. mer -"All glo God!" ry be to 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 God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Exodus 34:5-9

⁵ The LORD came down in the cloud. He took his stand there with Moses and proclaimed the name of the LORD. ⁶ The LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed: "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, and overflowing with mercy and truth, ⁷ maintaining mercy for thousands, forgiving guilt and rebellion and sin. He will by no means clear the guilty. He calls their children and their children's children to account for the guilt of the fathers, even to the third and the fourth generation."

⁸ Moses quickly bowed to the ground and worshipped. ⁹ He said, "If I have now found favor in your sight, Lord, please let the Lord go along with us. Although this is a stiffnecked people, pardon our guilt and our sin, and accept us as your possession."

SECOND LESSON

⁵ Indeed, Moses writes this about the righteousness that comes by the law: "The one who does these things will live by them." ⁶ But the righteousness that comes by faith speaks like this: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down)⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the word of faith that we are proclaiming. ⁹ Certainly, 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. ¹⁰ For it is with the heart a person believes, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

¹² So there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives generously to all who call on him. ¹³ Yes, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

CHILDREN"S MESSAGE

At this time, children are invited to come forward, take a seat on the altar steps, and enjoy a brief children's message.

HYMN (CW382)

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (see page 9)

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt. Tune: MAGDALEN (88 88 88) John Stainer, 1840–1901.

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SERMON

¹³ When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ They said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But you, who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell will not overpower it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then he commanded the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

Who is Jesus?

STAND

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.

GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

While the offering is being collected, please sign, pass, and return the Friendship Register. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the Church throughout the world, that built on the confession of the Gospel and assured that the gates of hell will not overcome it, we may have the faith and courage to confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the Church, that we may proclaim thanksgiving to God and tell of all his wondrous deeds, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That the Office of the Keys may be honored among us, that we may confess our sin and be absolved in Christ's name, and that we may forgive others as he has forgiven us, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all families, children, single adults and youth; and for those who teach and those who learn, that they may advance in wisdom and grace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For victims of violence and oppression, and for those who live with injustice and fear, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all nations and their leaders, that they may act for peace and promote godliness, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For victims of disaster and those stricken by illness or infirmity; for the aged and infirm; and for those who grieve, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

[For _____, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.]

For repentance and faith as we approach the Lord's table, that we may not think more highly of ourselves than is right, but that we would set our hearts and minds on the things of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

From you and through you and to you are all things! To you, O Father, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, be glory now and forever. **Amen.**



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.

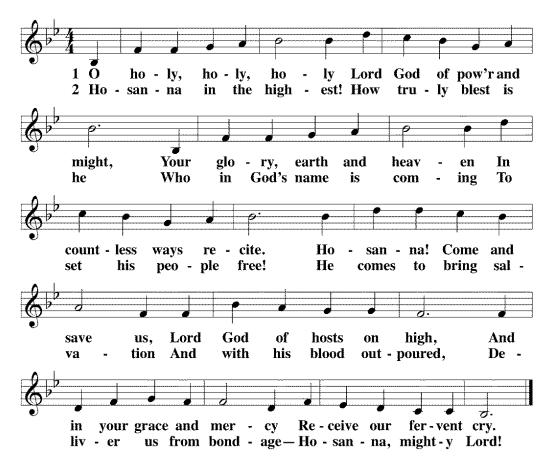
M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve in everlasting righteousness, innocence,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

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

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

Tune: VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBER



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us. By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will. By his innocent death, he overcame hell. By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28 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.

John 1:29



BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

LAMB OF GOD

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 our pastor. We ask other guests in attendance to refrain from taking the Sacrament with us today, and we invite you to speak with our pastor about how you may join our fellowship and commune with us in the future.

KEYBOARD/VIOLIN



DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 76)

Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love

William W. How, 1823-97, abr., alt. Text:

Tune: GOTT SEI DANK DURCH ALLE WELT (77 77) Freylinghausen, Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch, Halle, 1704, alt.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 529) Built on the Rock 1 Built Rock the Church shall stand E - ven when on the 2 Sure - ly tem - ples made with hands God, the Most in are God's house liv - ing stones, Built for 3 We of his Tell - ing how 4 Here stands the font be - fore our eyes, That, when the 5 Grant then, - 0 God. your will be done. Crum-bled have spires stee - ples fall ing. in are a - bove earth High, is not dwell ing; High his hab - i - ta He through bap - tis - mal own tion. Th' al - tar re - calls Christ's God did re - ceive us. Man - y sav - ing church bells are ring ing, in 'ry Bells still are chim - ing ev land: and call tem - ple stands, All earth - ly tem - ples ex - cel grace us owns Heirs of his won - drous sal - va sac - ra - ment gives sac - ri - fice And what the faith may come Where Christ his mes - sage is bring -4 ing, Call - ing the voung and old to rest, dwells ling. Yet he who in heav'n a bove Were tion. but two his name tell. we to Scrip pro - claim us. Here sound the tures that ing: "I know my own; my own know me. But a - bove all the soul dis - tressed, Choos - es live with love. to us in Yet he would deign with us to dwell Christ day, yes - ter day, to the same, You, not the world, face shall my see. d. Long - ing for rest ev er last ing. Mak - ing bod - ies his tem our ple. With alĪ his his grace and fa vor. And our Re deem ev er more, er. My peace I leave with you al ways."

SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32 Nunc Dimittis Tune: ANGEL'S STORY 10 Lord. now let vour De - part ant in peace, serv -2 All the Fa All glo glo to ther. ry ry to as sured: For I have seen your prom ised In -All the Son. glo ry to the Spir . it. For -Word-Α Light that will car - nate, sav - ing en -For ev er three in one; as in the be -All gloom where Gen - tiles dwell; light - en The bril - liant. God's tri - une gin - ning, Is now, shall ev - er be. crown - ing glo Of those in Is ra el! rv Through all re - sound ing e-ter - ni - ty. name -

- 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

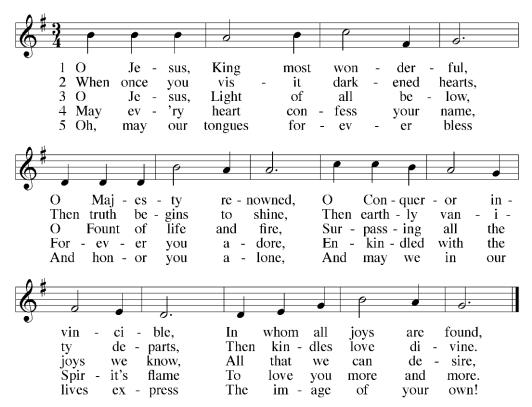
M: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 373:1, 4-5)

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful



Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt. Tune: ST. AGNES (CM) John B. Dykes, 1823–76.

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Personal Prayer 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.

Personal Prayer 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.

Bible Studies this week:

Sunday 8:00 am: Philippians, sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: Song of Songs, downstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Malachi, downstairs

Friday 6:00 am (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45): Matthew

DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Sunday August 27: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service at 9:00 with Holy Communion 8:00 – 8:45 am: Bible Study, *sanctuary*

Children's Message

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Communion assist: Mike Wilson
- Ushers: Joshua Hodkiewicz and Greg Zeman
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Refreshments 10:00 am: Sharon Freund providing treats
- Altar Guild: Bonnie Punzel and Reagan Oughton
- A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

Sunday September 3: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost <u>Worship Service 9:00 am</u> with Holy Communion

8:00 – 8:45 am: Bible Study, sanctuary

WELS Connection

- Pastor Jerry Ewings
- Organist: Jennifer Boll
- Councilmen: Mitch Myhre and Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers: Bob Degnan, Gene Freund, Kayden Zech, Kourtney Zech
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Mandi Miller, Vie Miller and Lia Miller
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Nikki Crary (8/29), Sheri Holzman (8/31), George Kilian (8/31), Walter Kilian (8/31) and Patricia Rimmert (9/1) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversary: We wish God's blessings to Bonnie & John Schueman (8/31) who celebrate their anniversary on Thursday.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Donald Bauer (father of Rich Bauer), Joyce Hamburg (sister-in-law of Karen Tobison), Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all 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).

Offerings July 23 - 31:

- General Fund: \$11,735
- Mortgage Reduction: \$10

Offerings August 1 - 12:

- General Fund: \$8,467
- Mortgage Reduction: \$150
- AV Projectors (Wish List): \$25

Offerings August 13 - 19:

- General Fund: \$5,605
- Mortgage Reduction: \$560
- AV Projectors (Wish List): \$1,050

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8,200

Electronic Giving: You can give contributions to church through the Vanco Mobile app. Download the free app today in the **Google Play store** or the **Apple App store**. Find the church by searching for Lord of Love Lutheran Church in DeForest, or by its invite code, D4K54K.

(July 23- August 19: In the totals listed above, \$9,612 was given to the general fund through Vanco electronic giving.)



Services return to regular times starting September. 10*

*Note date change

Worship 8:00 & 10:30 am

Adult Bible study, Sunday school & teen class between at 9:15 am.

September 3, worship is one service at 9:00 am.





Choir: Our choir director, Elaine Wilson, has been busy selecting the music for the Lord of Love choir for this coming year. If you would be interested in adding your voice and joining the choir, please let Elaine know when you see her at church, or she can be reached at ewilson4519@gmail.com or 608-692-9830. New members are welcome.

The choir meets on Tuesday nights from 6 pm to 7 pm. Choir rehearsals are scheduled to begin this Tuesday, August 29th.

Sunday School and Teen Class begins September 10: Children ages 4 years



through 8th grade are invited to join us for Sunday school starting this fall. Students 9—12 grade are invited to the teen Bible study. Fill out a registration form located at church or on our website. Classes meet downstairs between services each Sunday from 9:15—10:15 am. Music time is included in the Sunday school hour. Come join us!

Looking Ahead:

- August 29: Choir practice begins, 6:00 pm
- August 31: Sunday School Staff Meeting, 6:30 pm
- September 3: Sunday Worship service <u>9:00 am</u>.
- September <u>10</u>: Sunday services return to 8:00 & 10:30 am.
- September 10: New school year Sunday school & teen class begins, 9:15 am.
- September 16: Euchre Card Party, 6:00 pm
- October 7: Outdoor workday. Clear brush and overgrowth. 8:00 12:00 pm
- November 10 12: WELS/ELS Singles Retreat for 2023, Camp Phillip