

Third Sunday after Pentecost



The Devil Does His Worst, Yet Jesus Always Wins



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



Today's 9:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

June 9, 2024

DIVINE SERVICE II

OPENING HYMN (by Quintet)

The Lord's My Shepherd

The words are printed for your meditation while the quintet sings.

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green he leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For thou art with me, and the thy rod And staff me comfort still.

Goodness and mercy, all my life, Shall surely follow me, And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

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

Mark 10:47

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.

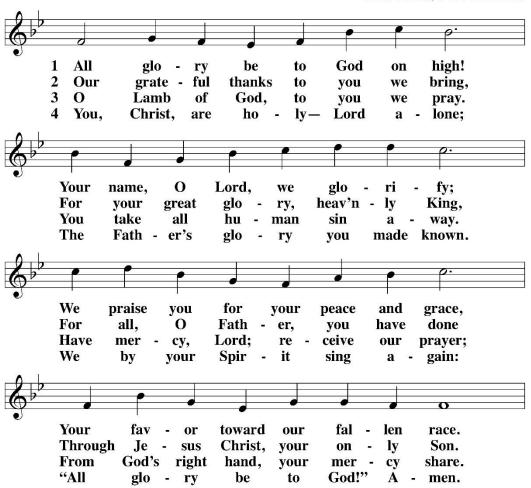
M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

GLORY BE TO GOD

Gloria in Excelsis

Tune: KOMM, GOTT SCHÖPFER



THE WORD

SALUTATION

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, your Son Jesus triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do your will; 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 Revelation 20:1-6

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven. He had the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand. ² He seized the dragon, the ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, bound him for a thousand years, ³ threw him into the abyss, locked it, and set a seal on it, so that he could no longer deceive the nations until the thousand years come to an end. After this he must be released for a short time. ⁴ Then I saw thrones, and those who were sitting on them were given the authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshipped the beast and his image, and they did not receive his mark on their forehead and on their hand. They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. ⁵ (The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years came to an end.) This is the first resurrection.

⁶ Blessed and holy is the one who has a share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them. Instead they will be priests of God and of Christ. And they will reign with him for a thousand years.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 51





Have mercy on <u>me</u>, O God,* according to your unfailing love.

Wash away all my in<u>iquity</u>,* and cleanse me <u>from</u> my sin.

For I know my transgressions,* and my sin is always before me.

REFRAIN

Against you, you only, <u>have</u> I sinned* and done what is evil <u>in</u> your sight.

Surely I was sin<u>ful</u> at birth,* sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face <u>from</u> my sins,* and blot out all my in<u>iq</u>uity.

Restore to me the joy of your sal<u>va</u>tion,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sus<u>tain</u> me.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men.

REFRAIN

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

M: Alleluia. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ They went into a house. A crowd gathered again so that they were not even able to eat a meal. ²¹ When his own people heard this, they went out to take control of him, because they were saying, "He is out of his mind."

²² The experts in the law who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "He drives out demons by the ruler of demons."

²³ Jesus called them together and spoke to them in parables. "How can Satan drive out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand but is finished. ²⁷ On the other hand, no one can enter a strong man's house to steal his possessions unless he ties up the strong man first. Then he can plunder his house. ²⁸ Amen I tell you: Everything will be forgiven people, their sins and whatever blasphemies they may speak. ²⁹ But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin." ³⁰ Jesus said this because they were saying, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹ Then his mother and his brothers arrived. While they were standing outside, they sent word to Jesus, calling for him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him. They began to tell him, "Look, your mother and your brothers are outside looking for you."

³³ He replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴ He looked at those who sat around him in a circle and he said, "Look, my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

HYMN OF THE DAY (CW 455)

Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You



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SERMON Genesis 3:8-15

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

¹⁴ The LORD God said to the serpent:

Because you have done this, you are cursed more than all the livestock, and more than every wild animal. You shall crawl on your belly, and you shall eat dust all the days of your life. ¹⁵ I will put hostility between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed. He will crush your head, and you will crush his heel.

Crushed!

⁸ They heard the voice of the LORD God, who was walking around in the garden during the cooler part of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

⁹ The LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

¹⁰ The man said, "I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself."

¹¹ God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree from which I commanded you not to eat?"

¹² The man said, "The woman you gave to be with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

¹³ The LORD God said to the woman, "What have you done?"

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.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

During the gathering of the thank-offering, please sign and pass the Friendship Register. Thank you!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

For the promised Offspring, Jesus Christ, whose death has crushed Satan's head forever, let us give thanks to the Lord; and that as God received the meager confessions of our first parents for the sake of his grace, so he would forgive our sins and lead us forward in hope, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, her preachers, all servants who work, the generous who give and all who suffer with patience, that we may always do the will of God and so be true and faithful members of the household of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For courage, that as we believe, so we also would speak with confidence of Christ's resurrection; that we would be emboldened to confess this Christian faith; and that, for Christ's sake, grace may extend to more and more people for the glory of God, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our nation and its government, that as no kingdom or house divided can ever stand, God would frustrate the destructive work of Satan and unite our leaders and our people for the common good, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who suffer in this earthly tent, [especially _______,] that fixing their eyes on things unseen, they would not lose heart; and that God would prepare them through this light and momentary affliction for an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, when at last we are raised with Christ and brought into his presence, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who commune, that as Satan once overcame our first parents through the eating of the tree's fruit, so Christ would overcome the devil among us here by the fruit of his cross, his body and blood given and shed for us for the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

What was lost in Paradise has been regained by the conquering wounds of your Son, crucified and raised again. In him, we are restored as your children and made bold to ask for every need. Hear us for his sake and in his name, even Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M:

M:

The Lord be with you. And also with you. **C**: M: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them up to the Lord.

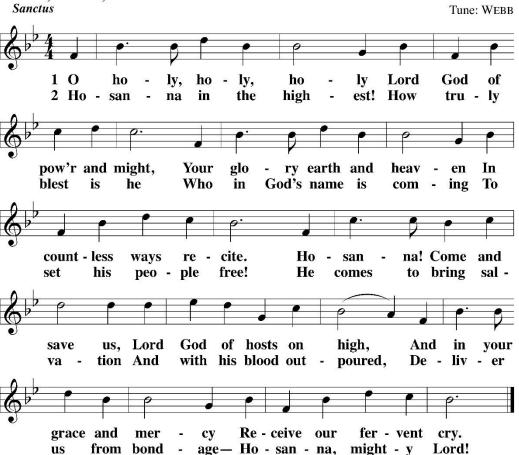
It is good and right so to do. C:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you M: 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

LAMB OF GOD John 1:29



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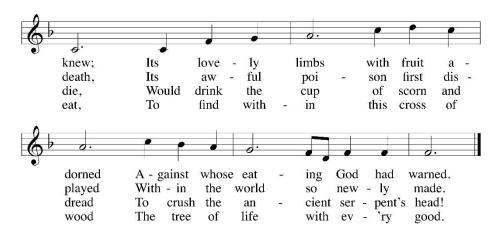
DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CWS 754)

The Tree of Life





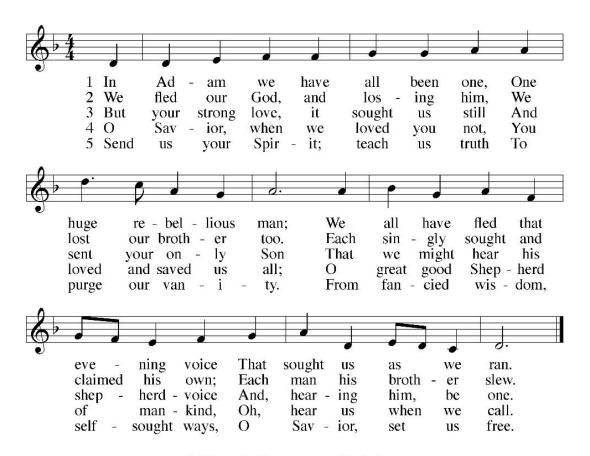
God's first promise to send a Savior, offered in the shadow of Eden, finds its fulfillment on the tree of Calvary, Jesus' cross.

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6 Then shall our song united rise To your eternal throne, Where with the Father evermore And Spirit you are one.

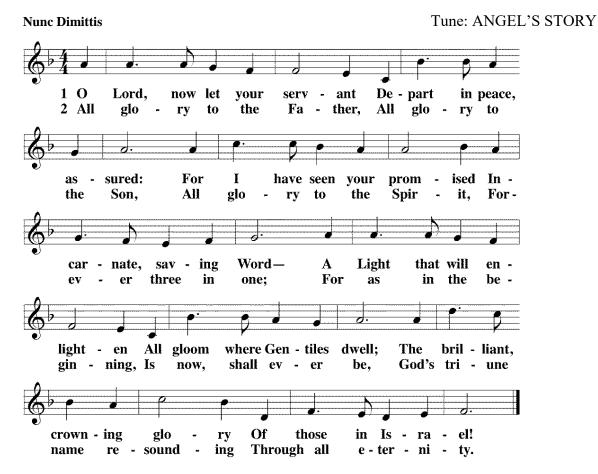
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SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32



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 Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you. **M**:

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 200:3)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us, We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us. This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will, He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done! One little word can fell him.

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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.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 8:00 am: 2 Thessalonians, sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: The Gospel of John, downstairs

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Revelation, Class resumes this Wednesday.

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

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

Sunday June 9th: Third Sunday after Pentecost

Summer Worship Service Begins: 9:00 am with Holy Communion

8:00 am: Adult Bible in Sanctuary, Summer Sunday School/VBS in Lower Level

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman/Elder: Ryan Jaeger
- Ushers 9:00: Greg Zeman and Additional Volunteer Needed
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Sally Kaalberg and Sandy Heath
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: Elaine Wilson and Kristin Vomhof

Sunday June 16: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Services 9:00 am with Holy Communion

8:00 am: Adult Bible in Sanctuary, Summer Sunday School/VBS in Lower Level

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman/Elder: 9:00 am Mitch Myhre and Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers 9:00: Sef Fox, Steven Fox, Ben Olson and Dave Olson
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Sharon Freund
- Altar Guild: Sally Kaalberg and Sandy Heath · A/V & Recording: Jen Olson
- Refreshments: TBA

Sunday School/VBS: Ages Pre K - **5**th **Grade:** Bible Stories, snacks, crafts and games, as time allows. It should be a lot of fun for the children, so I hope your children can join us. There is no sign-up sheet, just come when you can and feel free to bring friends. Preteens and Teens are encouraged to assist with crafts and games.

Retirement: Thank you for the wonderful luncheon and program this past Sunday. It has been a privilege to serve in the church office these past years. I am grateful for the love and support you have continually shown me. Thank you to the many volunteers who hosted the delicious meal, to the choir for your beautiful songs, and a special thank you to the congregation for the Servant of All sculpture. I will treasure it. ~ Jen Olson "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all." *Mark* 9:35

Happy Birthday: We wish God's blessings to Mary Grulke (6/9), Pat Schenck (6/9), John Hill (6/10), Leah Jaeger (6/10), Jon Eckelberg (6/11), Harper Craney (6/12), Charlotte Ruplinger (6/12), Hudson Johnson (6/14), Jerry Midthun (6/15), Tim Sullivan (6/15), Sue Vinson (6/15) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

In Our Prayers: Fred Bakken, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman 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 Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), Shannon & Matthew Garrett and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

Offerings Month May 1 – May 11

• General Fund: \$7998.00

• AV Improvements for wish list \$40

Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$500

Offering Month May 12 - May 18

• General Fund: \$3784.00

• AV Improvements for wish list \$20

Offerings Month May 19 – May 25

• General Fund: \$7202.00

• Mortgage Reduction Fund: \$150.00

Weekly amount to meet budgeted General Fund expenses: \$8200.00

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(May 1 - May 25): In the totals listed above, \$13,641 was given to the general fund and \$40 to AV Projectors through Vanco electronic giving.)

Looking ahead:

- June 9 Sept 1: Summer Worship Time 9:00 am, Bible Study 8:00 am
- June 9, 16, 23 & 30: Summer Sunday School / VBS at 8:00 am.
- June 15: Ladies Coffee/breakfast at M-N-M's Coffee House in Waunakee
- **July 1:** Food Drive begins
- **July 12:** WELS Night at the Brewers, 7:10 pm
- **July 18:** Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:00 5:00 pm
- July 20: Breath New Life Into Your Sunday School Ministry! Conference in Wonewoc, WI
- July 21: Outdoor Worship Service and Church Picnic, Worship 10:30, picnic 12:00 noon