August 13, 2017



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 18:1-9

To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David the servant of the LORD, who spoke to the LORD the words of this song on the day that the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul. And he said: I will love You, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised; So shall I be saved from my enemies. The pangs of death surrounded me, And the floods of ungodliness made me afraid. The sorrows of Sheol surrounded me: The snares of death confronted me. In my distress I called upon the LORD, And cried out to my God; He heard my voice from His temple, And my cry came before Him, even to His ears. Then the earth shook and trembled; The foundations of the hills also quaked and were shaken, Because He was angry. Smoke went up from His nostrils, And devouring fire from His mouth; Coals were kindled by it. He bowed the heavens also, and came down With darkness under His feet.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Pastor Matthew Ude Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Hymn 760 - O Love How Deep

INVOCATION

- p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- c 🎜 A-men.

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 Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

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.

c 🎜 A-men.

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

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

p Let us pray . . . Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

c 🎜 A-men.

THE WORD

Job 38:4-18 "Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone, When the morning stars sang together, And all the sons of God shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors, When it burst forth and issued from the womb; When I made the clouds its garment, And thick darkness its swaddling band; When I fixed My limit for it, And set bars and doors; When I said, 'This far you may come, but no farther, And here your proud waves must stop!" "Have you commanded the morning since your days began, And caused the dawn to know its place, That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, And the wicked be shaken out of it? It takes on form like clay under a seal, And stands out like a garment. From the wicked

their light is withheld, And the upraised arm is broken. "Have you entered the springs of the sea? Or have you walked in search of the depths? Have the gates of death been revealed to you? Or have you seen the doors of the shadow of death? Have you comprehended the breadth of the earth? Tell Me, if you know all this.

Romans 10:5-17 For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, "'Who will descend into the abyss?" " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." How then shall they call

on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!
- c 🎜 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(My First Hymnal, page 34)

all 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.

Hymn 508 — Thou Whose Almighty Word

SERMON

Matthew 14:22-33 Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

CALL UPON ME IN THE DAY OF TROUBLE, I WILL DELIVER YOU

It is not possible to explain away this miracle. You might hallucinate seeing a man walking on the water, but you certainly can't hallucinate walking on the water yourself. Peter is either lying or this really happened as it says.

The power that held Peter up did not come from his faith but from Jesus. Peter begins to sink not because Jesus' power was weakened by his unbelief, but because Jesus used this opportunity as the ultimate object lesson.

In desperation, in weakness, Peter cries to the Lord, and the Lord saves him. c 🎜 Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

> Hymn 457 — What A Friend We Have In Jesus (My First Hymnal, page 88)

OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 572 VS. 4

c 🎜 As Thy prospering hand hath blest, May we give Thee all our best And by deeds of kindly love For Thy mercies grateful prove, Singing thus through all our days Praise to God, immortal praise.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(My First Hymnal, page 37)

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.
- c 🎜 A-men A-men A-men.

Hymn 649 – Jesus Savior Pilot Me

Calendar:

SUNDAY 8/13 9am Worship Service

MONDAY 8/14 7pm Worship Service

TUEADY 8/15 3:30pm Women of Faith

SUNDAY 8/20 9am Worship Service 11am Camp Service

UPCOMING DATES:

Aug 15 - Women of Faith begins again Aug 20 - Church Camp Outing Auf 23 - School Registration at 4pm Aug 22 - 29 - Pastor's Vacation Sept 1 - School Begins Sept 1 - Timber Rattlers Game Sept 4 - Labor Day, No Monday night service Sept 6 - Confirmation Class begins for non school kids (4pm) Sept 10 - Sunday School and Bible Class begin Sept 12 - 14 - Great Lakes Pastoral Conference Sept 22 - 24 - Man Up Men's Retreat near Prairie Du Chen, WI Sept 22 - 24 - Chadron Women's Retreat, Chadron, NE

Oct 1 - Mission Festival

Oct 15 - Traveling Reformation Conference at Faith Markesan

Oct 18 - 20 - Teacher's Conference, Mankato MN

Oct 29 - Area Reformation Service

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE This Week: Team #4: Wayne Draeger, David Draeger

Next Week: Team #5: Archie Quade, Gary Quade

AUGUST USHERS:

Sundays: Rand Strelow, Russ Brown, Dale Muehlenhaupt, Kade Muehlenhaupt

Mondays: Dave Dillie, Dan Theim, Todd Cotterill, Troy Cotterill

FRUITS OF FAITH LAST WEEK

Attendance: 83/19 General Fund: \$4,009

Mission Fund: \$490

Announcements:

GUESTS AND VISITORS

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest register in the entry as you leave the church today.

TEACHER CALLS

Barry accepted the call to be principal for the upcoming school year.

Marie accepted the call to teach full time for one year.

CHURCH CAMP OUTING

August 20th at Lynn and Lisa Dumke's campground

11am Church service at campground

Followed by potluck, and games

Bring meat for yourself and a dish to pass around

Bring your own paper plates, silverware, drinks etc.

You may also want to bring some lawn chairs or something else to sit on and lawn games.

Directions:

West on County Road X

Right on Valley Road

Left on S Gate Road

Past Rink Brother's Farm, over creek, right on dirt road

Google Map is on the church website

FAITH ALIVE Meet quick after church

COMMUNION

On communion Sunday's the left front row in the church will be reserved for those who would rather not walk up to the altar to receive communion. Sit in the left front row and the pastor will bring communion to you.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation class for non school kids begins Wednesday Sept 6th.

If you have children who will be entering 5th - 8th grade and don't attend Faith Lutheran School please let pastor know.

If Wednesday nights don't work please let me know and we can figure out something else.

MONTHLY GROUP CLASSES

I was wondering about starting discussion groups, let me know if there is interest and if the proposed dates will work:

Youth Group:

2nd Wednesday of every month, 7pm

Focused on defending your faith, dating, and the challenges of being single

High School, College Students and Young Singles (Others are welcome as well)

Parenting / Marriage Classes:

1st Wednesday of every month, 7pm

Focus on the challenges and difficulties of marriage and parenting

Married Couples (Others are welcome as well)

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Total Children for this school year: 21 Sunday School and Bible Class begin Sept 10

COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Screen at front of church - the church council wants to approach the voters at the next voters' meeting with an idea for a projector and/or projection screen at the front of the church, anyone with any knowledge in this area should talk to one of the council members.

We are preparing for a special reformation service on Oct 29th. In preparation we will be learning some new liturgical parts. Over the next few months these parts will be introduced slowly into our worship service.

Next Council Meeting was moved to Sept 19th due to Great Lakes Pastoral Conference

TIMBER RATTLERS' BASEBALL GAME

Living Hope Lutheran of Appleton, WI will be hosting an outing to the home run deck of the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers (Single A team of the Milwaukee Brewers) on Friday September 1st at 7:05 PM. There is room for up to 200 people. It includes an all-you-can-eat buffet and two drinks per person. The total cost is \$23 per adult and \$19 for children under 12. Parking is \$10. There is fun for all ages, a good view of the game and a casual atmosphere for Christian conversation and fellowship! If interested please let Pastor David Ude at david.m.ude@gmail.com.

CALL NEWS

Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called the Rev. Michael Wilke, pastor of Gethsemane Lutheran, Saginaw MI, to serve as co-pastor; Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck of Eau Claire WI, to serve as interim pastor; and member Eric Libby of Mankato MN, to teach 11-12 grade Religion for the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year.

The Rev. Richard Kanzenbach, pastor of Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild; Peace with God Lutheran, Onalaska; and Trinity Lutheran, Millston, all in WI, has returned the call to St. Luke's Lutheran, Lemmon SD.

Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has called Mrs. Valerie Hammett of Mankato to serve as its teacher in the 3rd and 4th grade. Mrs. Hammett has CLC teaching experience, but is not serving a regular call at this time.

Teacher Matthew Thurow, Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran school, Markesan WI.; Faith Lutheran has now called Teacher Barry Hay to be principal for one year and Teacher Marie Muehlenhaupt full time for one year and they both have accepted their calls.





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