

October 8, 2017

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 80:7-19

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it.

9 You prepared room for it, And caused it to take deep root, And it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with its shadow, And the mighty cedars with its boughs.

11 She sent out her boughs to the Sea, And her branches to the River.

12 Why have You broken down her hedges, So that all who pass by the way pluck her fruit?

13 The boar out of the woods uproots it, And the wild beast of the field devours it. 14 Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; Look down from heaven and see, And visit this vine

15 And the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, And the branch that You made strong for Yourself.

16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down; They perish at the rebuke of Your countenance.

17 Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, Upon the son of man whom You made strong for Yourself.

18 Then we will not turn back from You; Revive us, and we will call upon Your name.

19 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; Cause Your face to shine, And we shall be saved!

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Speaker:Pastor Matthew Ude Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Hymn 760 - Oh, 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 in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God the 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.

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- P Let us pray . . . Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; 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

Isaiah 5:1-7 Now let me sing to my Well-beloved A song of my Beloved regarding His vineyard: My Well-beloved has a vineyard On a very fruitful hill. 2 He dug it up and cleared out its stones, And planted it with the choicest vine. He built a tower in its midst, And also made a winepress in it; So He expected it to bring forth good grapes, But it brought forth wild grapes. 3 "And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge, please, between Me and My vineyard. 4 What more could have been done to My vineyard That I have not done in it? Why then, when I expected it to bring forth good grapes, Did it bring forth wild grapes? 5 And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned; And break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. 6 I will lay it waste; It shall not be pruned or dug, But there shall come up briers and thorns. I will also command the clouds That they rain no rain on it." 7 For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, And the men of Judah are His pleasant plant. He looked for justice, but behold, oppression; For righteousness, but behold, a cry for help.





Philippians 3:4b-14 though I also might have confidence in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so: 5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; 6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless. 7 But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. 8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith; 10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, 11 if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. Pressing Toward the Goal 12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.



This is the word of God.

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 LSB 430 - My Song Is Love Unknown



SERMON

Matthew 21:33-46 "Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country.34 Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. 35 And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. 36 Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them.37 Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' 38 But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' 39 So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. 40 "Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?" 41 They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." 42 Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the Lord's doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes'? 43 "Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a nation bearing the fruits of it. 44 And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder." 45 Now when the chief priests and Pharisees heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking of them. 46 But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitudes, because they took Him for a prophet.

THE LOVE OF CHRIST HAS DONE EVERYTHING

Christ has given everything needful, even himself into death, so that we might bear fruit. The Lord accomplishes his plan of our salvation through the death of his Son. This plan although foolish by human standards is glorious in our eyes.

C I 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 465 - Christ Is Our Cornerstone

OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 572 VS. 4

C J 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.



Calendar:

THIS WEEK:

Sunday 10/8 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10:15am Bible Class

Monday 10/9 7pm Worship Service Parent Drive Day for School

Tuesday 10/10 7pm Elders meeting 7:30pm Church Council meeting

Wednesday 10/11 5pm Confirmation Class for Non School Kids

Saturday 10/14 1pm Set Up for Reformation Seminar

Sunday 10/15 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10:15am Bible Class 3:30pm Traveling Reformation Seminar

Monday 10/16 7pm Worship Service 3:30pm Women of Faith meeting

UPCOMING DATES:

Oct 18 - 20 - Teacher's Conference, Mankato MN -No School Oct 19 - Voter's Meeting Oct 22 - Faith Alive Oct 27 - Faith School Fall Party Oct 29 - Area Reformation Service

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week: Team #6: Kent Quade, Jim Kok

Next Week: Team #1: Dennis Jones, Jeff Jones

OCTOBER USHERS

Sundays: Dan Thiem, Dave Dillie, David Draeger, Wayne Draeger

Mondays: Paul Eserhut, Randy Strelow, Kevin Campion, Jim Brown

FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: General Fund: \$695.00 Mission Fund: \$285.00

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.

CHOIR PRACTICE

The Choir is practicing for the Reformation service. Anyone interested should meet after church near the piano.

TRAVELING REFORMATION SEMINAR

Oct 15 at 3:30pm. Messiah Eau Claire is sponsoring a traveling reformation. Three speakers will present 20 minute lectures on the life of Martin Luther. The seminar will include a question and answer section. Snacks will be provided. Help spread the word with posters and invites from the back of the church. We will be talking more about it in Bible Class.

Setup Traveling Reformation Seminar

We'll set up the gym for the seminar on Saturday October 14th, 1pm. Anyone available to help is welcome to stop by.

SCHOOL FUND

Faith Lutheran School's checking account was down to \$16.00. Please remember the school in your prayers and offerings. A special envelope for school offerings has been put in everyone's box.

FAITH ALIVE - POTLUCK

Will meet October 22nd at 5pm



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