

November 12, 2017

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 70 Make haste, O God, to deliver me! Make haste to help me, O Lord!

Let them be ashamed and confounded Who seek my life; Let them be turned back and confused Who desire my hurt.

Let them be turned back because of their shame, Who say, "Aha, aha!"

Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; And let those who love Your salvation say continually, "Let God be magnified!"

But I am poor and needy; Make haste to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Speakers: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists: Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Hymn 246 — Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty MFH 79

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.
- c 🞜 Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.
- c J 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 ever-lasting God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.
- C A-men.

THE WORD

Amos 5:18-24 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! For what good is the day of the Lord to you? It will be darkness, and not light. 19 It will be as though a man fled from a lion, And a bear met him! Or as though he went into the house, Leaned his hand on the wall, And a serpent bit him! 20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light? Is it not very dark, with no brightness in it? 21 "I hate, I despise your feast days, And I do not savor your sacred assemblies. 22 Though you offer Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings, I will not accept them, Nor will I regard your fattened peace offerings. 23 Take away from Me the noise of your songs, For I will not hear the melody of your stringed instruments. 24 But let justice run down like water, And righteousness like a mighty stream.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. 15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

- 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

all 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 609 — Wake, awake, for night is flying

SERMON

Matthew 25:1-13 "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. 2 Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. 3 Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, 4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. 6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' 7 Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' 9 But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. 11 "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' 12 But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' 13 "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Jesus prepares us for His coming through the Means of Grace

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 618 — Jerusalem My Happy Home

OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 442 VS. 2

C Grant us hearts, dear Lord to yield Thee Gladly, freely, of Thine own; With the sunshine of Thy goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by Thee, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 606 — O'er the Distant Mountain Breaking

Calendar:

THIS WEEK:

Sunday 11/12 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10:15am Bible Class

Monday 11/13 7pm Worship Service -The last Monday night service until spring

Tuesday 11/14 10:30 am Bible Class (Gospel of John)

7pm Elders meeting 7:30pm Church Council meeting

Wednesday 11/15 10:30am Bible Class 4pm Catechism Class

Fri 11/17-Sat 11/18 Homespun Holiday in Markesan - see below for more information

Sunday 11/19 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10:15am Bible Class

UPCOMING DATES:

Nov 21 - Women of Faith Meeting at 3:30pm Nov 23 - Thanksgiving Service at 10am Nov 23&24 - Faith Thanksgiving breakno school Dec 3 - Faith Alive meeting 5pm - no potluck Dec 16 - Christmas VBS

Dec 17 - Christmas caroling at 2pm with a chili potluck following

Jan 7th - Faith Alive sledding party at 2pm with Pizza and Games to follow

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

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

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

NOVEMBER USHERS

Sundays: Greg Jones, Russ Brown, Bob McElroy, Randy Haight

Mondays 6 & 13, Thanksgiving: Martin Hansen, Bob Kirst, Ryan Krueger, Dan Dumke

FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 94/12 Bible Class/Sunday School: 11/8 General Fund: \$3,825.00 Mission Fund: \$665.00 School Fund: \$225.00

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.

HOMESPUN HOLIDAY NOVEMBER 17 & 18

Faith is setting up a booth at Homespun Holiday in Markesan Friday the 17th from 5pm-8pm & Saturday the 18th from 8:30am-2pm. We are looking for volunteers to come play Christmas CDs and visit with guests or play music with an instrument. The sign up is in the entryway. Please contact Pastor with any questions.

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE

Video, audio and files of the whole service or of parts of it can be viewed and downloaded at http://markesanlutheran. com/500-reformation-service/

you can also get there by going to markesanlutheran.com and clicking on the "Joint Reformation Service" icon immediately beneath our main banner.

The service is also posted on our youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FM-dL9cNifuc

FAITH MUSTANG CLOTHING

We have an online store where you can order Faith Mustang Gear. The store will close November 30th and will be delivered to the church/school three weeks after that.

The link is: http://www.cv-sports.com/ TeamSales.aspx

Store Name: Faith Lutheran

Access Code: faith

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We are going to try out a Tueadsy morning bible class at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome.

FAITH ALIVE

Next meeting will be December 5th at 5pm with no potluck

FOOD DRIVE

You are welcome to join the students of Faith in their annual food drive for the Markesan Food Pantry. Non-perishable food items are to be brought to the school by Monday, December 4th. The Box is in the school hallway.

CHRISTMAS VBS

Will be Saturday, December 16th from 10am-4pm. Parents can bring their children to have a fun day of learning the Christmas story and doing projects. While parents can go finish their christmas errands. Public is welcome so please spread the word. There is a sign up sheet in the entryway to volunteer (high school and college age students are encouraged to help) and provide food. Forms are out in the entryway to sign up children 4yr -8th grade, place form in Pastor's mailbox.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

If you had your picture taken for the Church Directory you will find it in your Church mailbox. If you didn't receive a directory and would like one please contact Lisa Reyes.

MARKESAN DIY SIGN-MAKING EVENT!!

Hello friends! We're having a DIY Sign-Making Event on December 2, 2017 from 10:00am-2:00pm. The coordinator for this event is Jessi Scheberl, a member of Messiah in Eau Claire and owner of JS Designs, a sign-making/sign-event business . Please feel free to invite others! Just make sure to let Jessi know what they want to make if they aren't on Facebook. To attend this event, you only need to do TWO THINGS.

STEP 1) DECIDE WHAT TO MAKE.

There are several basic sizes from which to choose: 11X11 or 12X12 (\$15), 12X16 or 16x16 (\$20), 8x48 (porch sign) or 10x24 (\$20). Any other sign sizes that exceed 300 square inches are \$30. She also has a 4x4 post, 24 inches tall, with a hook that can be used to display a small sign outside for \$20, \$25 if you'd also like to make a small sign to go with the post (scroll down to see pictures of previous projects :)). There are dozens of paint and stain choices available for background colors. Paint for the stenciling is available in almost any color. Jessi designs and cuts reusable stencils, and she currently has over 200 designs, including many seasonal ones, available for the sign sizes listed above. She is unable to take custom stencil requests for this event, but with so many designs already on her website, she's sure you'll be able to find something you'll want to make. Here is a link to Jessi's website, where you can view all of the stencils she already has available. Browse at your convenience! Please note

the website includes several designs that can be used to make a REVERSIBLE sign! Any signs made from single boards (12X12, 12X16, 10X24, 8X48) can be reversible, with a design stenciled on both the front and back. Signs that are made from 3 separate boards (11X11, 16X16, 16X20) are one-side only.

WEBSITE (password: craftnight) -----> www.jsdesignseauclaire.com

STEP 2) RSVP!

If you plan to attend the event, AWE-SOME. The more the merrier! Click "Going" and then start thinking about what you'd like to make. Please post in the event or message Jessi what project(s) you'd like to make so that she has adequate time to prepare everything for the party. She is able to take payment via cash, check, or card at the event.

Let the host Marie Muehlenhaupt or Jessi know if you have any questions. Jessi can be reached via Facebook either through this event, Facebook messenger, email (jsdesigns.eauclaire@gmail.com) or via text (715.379.6716). Looking forward to seeing you all there!



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