"Rejoice with me ... Thave found my sheep that was lost.

Luke 15:6, NRSV

Faith Lutheran Church September 11th 2022

WELCOME

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TOD<u>AY'S SER</u>VICE

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 119:169-176

Let my cry come before You, O LORD; Give me understanding according to Your word. ¹⁷⁰ Let my supplication come before You; Deliver me according to Your word. ¹⁷¹ My lips shall utter praise, For You teach me Your statutes. ¹⁷² My tongue shall speak of Your word, For all Your commandments are righteousness. ¹⁷³ Let Your hand become my help, For I have chosen Your precepts. ¹⁷⁴ I long for Your salvation, O LORD, And Your law is my delight. ¹⁷⁵ Let my soul live, and it shall praise You; And let Your judgments help me. ¹⁷⁶ I have gone astray like a lost sheep; Seek Your servant, For I do not forget Your commandments.

SERVI<u>CE OF THE WORD</u>

777 Amazing Grace

By: John Newton

I Amazing grace - how sweet the sound -That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see.

2 The Lord has promised good to me;His Word my hope secures.He will my shield and portion beAs long as life endures.

3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home. 4 When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun. Praise the holy Trinity!

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

- all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- p God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
 By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord
 Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.





Let us pray . . . Almighty and eternal God, increase in us faith, hope, and charity, and help us to receive what You have promised from Your loving and gracious hand; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and rules with You and the Holy Spirit, one God forever.



Ezekiel 34:II-24 "For thus says the Lord GOD: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. 12 "As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. 13 "And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 "I will feed them in good pasture,

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and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 "I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord GOD. 16 "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment." 17 'And as for you, O My flock, thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats. 18 "Is it too little for you to have eaten up the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the residue of your pasture-and to have drunk of the clear waters, that you must foul the residue with your feet? 19 "And as for My flock, they eat what you have trampled with your feet, and they drink what you have fouled with your feet." 20 'Therefore thus says the Lord GOD to them: "Behold, I Myself will judge between the fat and the lean sheep. 21 "Because you have pushed with side and shoulder, butted all the weak ones with your horns, and scattered them abroad, 22 "therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 "I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them-- My

servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 "And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

I Timothy I:5-17 ⁵ "Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith, 6 from which some, having strayed, have turned aside to idle talk, 7 desiring to be teachers of the law, understanding neither what they say nor the things which they affirm. 8 But we know that the law is good if one uses it lawfully, 9 knowing this: that the law is not made for a righteous person, but for the lawless and insubordinate, for the ungodly and for sinners, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, 10 for fornicators, for sodomites, for kidnappers, for liars, for perjurers, and if there is any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine, 11 according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God which was committed to my trust. 12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, 13 although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man;

but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. 14 And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. 16 However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.





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THE 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.

INSTALLTION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

324 vs 1-3,8 Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

By Erdmann Neumeister

I Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander! Here is hope for all who grieve--Jesus sinners doth receive.

2 We deserve but grief and shame,Yet His words, rich grace revealing,Pardon, peace, and life proclaim.Here their ills have perfect healingWho with humble hearts believe---Jesus sinners doth receive.

3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh; Weary souls that lost their way Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh In His arms that they may live--Jesus sinners doth receive.

8 Jesus sinners doth receive. Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave--Jesus sinners doth receive.

SERMON

Luke 15:1-10 I Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. 2 And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." 3 So he told them this parable: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? 5 And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' 7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? 9 And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' 10 Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

GOD'S LOVE KNOWS NO BOUNDS

In Whom it Seeks In How it Seeks



#648 "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"

by Henriette Louise Von Hayn

I I am Jesus' little lamb, Ever glad at heart I am; For my Shepherd gently guides me, Knows my need, and well provides me, Loves me ev'ry day the same, Even calls me by my name.

2 Day by day, at home, away, Jesus is my Staff and Stay. When I hunger, Jesus feeds me, Into pleasant pastures leads me; When I thirst, He bids me go Where the quiet waters flow.

3 Who so happy as I am, Even now the Shepherd's lamb? And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended, He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest.

OFFERING 441:1-2

I. We give Thee but Thine own,Whate'er the gift may be;All that we have is Thine alone,A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus
 As stewards true receive
 And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
 To Thee our first-fruits give!

PRAYERS - 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

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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.



776 Lord, Tis Not That I Did Choose You

by Josiah Conder

I Lord, 'tis not that I did choose you; that, I know, could never be, for this heart would still refuse you had your grace not chosen me. You removed the sin that stained me, cleansing me to be your own; for this purpose you ordained me, that I live for you alone. 2 It was grace in Christ that called me, taught my darkened heart and mind; else the world had yet enthralled me, to your heav'nly glories blind. Now I worship none above you; for your grace alone I thirst, knowing well that, if I love you, you, O Father, loved me first.

3 Praise the God of all creation, praise the Father's boundless love. Praise the Lamb, our expiation, Priest and King enthroned above. Praise the Spirit of salvation, him by whom our spirits live. Undivided adoration to the great Jehovah give.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 11

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

Tuesday, September 13

7pm Elders' Meeting 7:30pm Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 14

3:40pm Confirmation Class

Saturday, September 17

10am Rick Grams Committal Service

Sunday, September 18

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

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 4 Ron Kearley, Tristan Jenkins Next Week Team #5 Jim Kok, Mark Brown-Kempenaar

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Mike Dumke, Clay Bobek, Jeremy Bobek

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 63 General - \$ 2195.00 Missions - \$ 150.00 Building - \$ 200.00

FINANCES

We need \$5,000 for a new boiler. There is a basket in the back of the church.

CLEANING THE CHURCH

Thank you so very much to those wonderful people who helped with cleaning the school. The high parts (lights) in the kitchen and cafeteria still need to be done.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezek. 34:11–24 Psalm 119:169–176 1 Tim. 1:(5–11) 12–17 Luke 15:1–10

CALL NEWS

Pastor Nathanael Mayhew of Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye and Faith Lutheran New Ulm has received the call to serve Immanuel Lutheran, Winterhaven, FL.

Pastor Rob Sauers of Luther Memorial Lutheran, Fond du Lac, WI, has received the call to Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA.



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