

20th Sunday after Pentecost - October 10, 2021

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR'S

Welcome to worship, especially our guests! We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a church home, we are happy to share ours with you. If we haven't seen you in a while, it is great to see you today! May God bless your time with us richly.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Heavenly Father, I have come to worship you. Draw near to me in your gracious Word and assure me of your love. Curb my wandering thoughts, that with undivided attention I may hear your voice and sing your praise.

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OPENING HYMN - 432 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

- 1 I am Jesus' little lamb; Ever glad at heart I am, For my shepherd gently guides me, Knows my needs 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 hosts attended, He shall fold me to his breast, There within his arms to rest.

Text: Henrietta L. von Hayn, 1724-82; tr. composite.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

- C: Amen.
- M: Beloved in the Lord: 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.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- C: Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us
- M: 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: Amen.

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,

we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory,

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer.

You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you only are holy; you only are the Lord.

You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

FIRST LESSON - Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸ The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is a suitable partner for him." ¹⁹ Out of the soil the LORD God had formed every wild animal and every bird of the sky, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature, that became its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every wild animal, but for Adam no helper was found who was a suitable partner for him. ²¹ The LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, the LORD God took a rib and closed up the flesh where it had been. ²² The LORD God built a woman from the rib that he had taken from the man and brought her to the man.

²³ The man said, Now this one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She will be called "woman," because she was taken out of man. ²⁴ For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother and will remain united with his wife, and they will become one flesh.

SECOND LESSON - Ephesians 5:21-6:4

²¹ and by submitting to one another in reverence for Christ. ²² Wives, submit to your own husbands as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife, just as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he himself is the Savior. ²⁴ Moreover, as the church submits to Christ, so also wives are to submit to their husbands in everything. ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, in the same way as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, by cleansing her with the washing of water in connection with the Word. ²⁷ He did this so that he could present her to himself as a glorious church, having no stain or wrinkle or any such thing, but so that she would be holy and blameless. ²⁸ In the same way, husbands have an obligation to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ To be sure, no one has ever hated his own body, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body, of his flesh and of his bones. ³¹ "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will be one flesh." ³² This is a great mystery, but I am talking about Christ and the church. ³³ In any case, each one of you also is to love his wife as himself, and each wife is to respect her husband.

6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with a promise: ³ "that it may go well with you and that you may live a long life on the earth." ⁴ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

VERSE OF THE DAY – Hebrews 2:12

M: Alleluia. I will proclaim your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Alleluia.

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL LESSON - Mark 10:2-16

- ² Some Pharisees came to test him and asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?"
- ³He replied, "What did Moses command you?"
- ⁴They said, "Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away."
- ⁵ But Jesus told them, "He wrote this command for you because of your hard hearts. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. ⁷ For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸ and the two will become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate."
- ¹⁰ In the house his disciples asked him about this again. ¹¹ He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her. ¹² If she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."
- ¹³ Some people began bringing little children to Jesus so that he would touch them. But the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said, "Let the little children come to me! Do not hinder them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ Amen I tell you: Whoever will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶ And he took the little children in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN – 503 Oh, Blessed Home, Where Man and Wife

1 Oh, blessed home, where man and wife Together lead a godly life, By love their faith confessing! There many a happy day is spent; There Jesus gladly will consent To tarry with his blessing, To tarry with his blessing.

- 2 If they have given him their heart,
 The place of honor set apart
 For him each night and morrow,
 Then he the storms of life will calm,
 Will bring for ev'ry wound a balm,
 And change to joy their sorrow,
 And change to joy their sorrow.
- 3 Oh, Lord, we come before your face, In ev'ry home bestow your grace On children, father, mother. Relieve their wants; their burdens ease. Let them together dwell in peace And love for one another, And love for one another.

Text: Magnus B. Landstad, 1802-80, abr.; tr. Ole T. Arneson, 1853-1917, alt.

SERMON - "For this reason..."

C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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 SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up unto the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts: heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

- O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
- O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
- O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

CW 339 Today Your Mercy Calls Us

- 1 Today your mercy calls us To wash away our sin. However great our trespass, Whatever we have been, However long from mercy Our hearts have turned away, Your precious blood can wash us And make us clean today.
- 2 Today your gate is open, And all who enter in Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin. The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n, A future grace be promised: A glorious crown in heav'n.
- 3 Today our Father calls us; His Holy Spirit waits. His blessed angels gather Around the heav'nly gates. No question will be asked us How often we have come; Although we oft have wandered, It is our Father's home.
- 4 O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door, What should we do without you When heart and eye run o'er? When all things seem against us, To drive us to despair, We know one gate is open, One ear will hear our prayer.

Text: Oswald Allen, 1816–78, alt.

CW 408 Christians, While on Earth Abiding

- 1 Christians, while on earth abiding, Let us never cease to pray, Firmly in the Lord confiding As our parents in their day. Be the children's voices raised To the God their parents praised. May his blessing, failing never, Rest upon his people ever.
- 2 Bless us, Father, and protect us From all harm in all our ways; Patiently, O Lord, direct us Safely through these fleeting days. Let your face upon us shine; Fill us with your peace divine. Praise the Father, Son, and Spirit! Praise him, all who life inherit!

Text: Johann Olof Wallin, 1779–1839, st. 1, abr.; Jesper Svedberg, 1653–1735, st. 2; tr. Hymnal and Order of Service, Rock Island, 1901, alt.

C: Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your word.

For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures forever.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN – 513 Lord Jesus Christ, the Children's Friend

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, the children's friend, To each of them your presence send; Call them by name and keep them true In loving faith, dear Lord, to you.
- 2 In Christian homes, Lord, let them be Your blessing to their family; Let Christian schools your work extend In living truth as you intend,
- 3 That caring parents, gracious Lord, And faithful teachers find reward In leading these, to whom you call, To find in Christ their all in all.
- 4 That all of us, your children dear, By Christ redeemed, may Christ revere. Lead us in joy that all we do Will witness to our love for you.

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We're happy you joined us! May God richly bless your week.

<u>Pastoral Call Returned</u> Pastor Kuske has returned our call. We hope to have another call list in time for the next Voter's Meeting.

<u>Voter's Meeting</u> Please plan to attend the voter's meeting on Sunday, Oct. 24 at 11:30 AM. At this meeting we will elect new council members and hope to extend another pastoral call.

<u>Gift</u> Thank you to DuWayne & Shirley Marquardt for their gift for roof repairs given in honor of their 65th wedding anniversary. May our gracious God continue to shower them with his rich blessings.

<u>Unbudgeted Major Maintenance Items</u> Many thanks to those who have contributed toward repairs to the choir loft flat roof and the gym wall. The estimated cost for these unbudgeted repairs is \$7,500 and we've received over \$3,000 of the needed amount. Praise God!

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ					
Today (10/10) -Food Pantry	9:30 AM 10:30 AM Noon	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship with Communion OSS Packer Party			
Tuesday	1:30 PM	OWLS Meeting at Immanuel, Mosinee			
Wednesday	4:00 PM 6:30 PM	Catechism Small Group Bible Study			
Thursday	1:00 PM	Ladies' Aid			
Saturday	8:30 AM	Baseboard Installation - Room 138			
Sunday 10/17	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 3:00 PM	Sunday School & Bible Class Worship NLHS Pops Concert			

Help Needed on Saturday, October 16, 8:30 am

This coming Saturday we plan to install the baseboard in one classroom on the west wing which never had the baseboard installed. Your help that AM would be greatly appreciated. (The carpet is being cleaned so the furniture will already be removed.) Please let Bill Unruh know if you would be available. Donuts provided!

To be done before winter...

- Concrete/Masonry Repairs: Looking for some help with patching some cracks and chips in the sidewalks along the school building so that when shoveling snow this winter we don't lose our shovel or someone trips because a piece of sidewalk is missing. These are minor repairs if we get them done now while weather is still good.
- Paint some traffic arrows on parking lot that have become faded out. Also the handicap parking spaces could be refreshed.
- Fix the north wall on shed where boards have rotted.
- Help with "Fall Yard" clean up. Shrubs etc. can be trimmed before leaves come down and the weather is nice.

If you could help with any of these projects let Bill Unruh know so materials can be gotten as needed. Call 715-359-6335.

RADA Cutlery Pre-Holiday Sale The Ladies' Aid is sponsoring another RADA cutlery sale. (Psst! It's the best cutlery ever!) Catalogs are available in the narthex. Order by November 7. Please make checks out to Our Savior's Ladies' Aid.

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: October 3, 2021						
Weekly	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Red</u>	Missions	Bldg & Grounds		
\$3,605.00	\$500.00	\$240.00	\$50.00	\$1,635.00		
Windows	Publication	<u>School</u>		<u>Plate</u>		
25.00	\$6.00	\$2,161		\$75.00		

Attendance: Bible Class – 16; Sunday – 68, online – 33 Total – 101



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