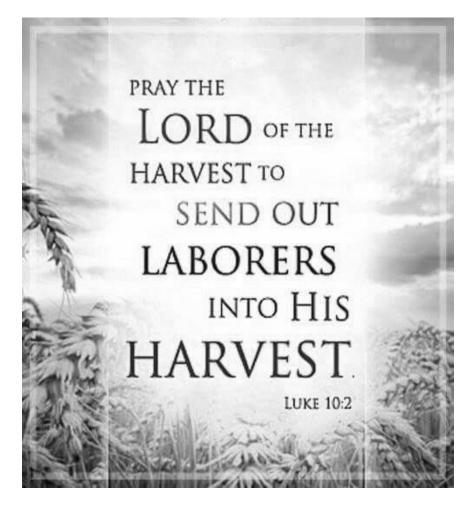


4th Sunday after Pentecost – July 10, 2022



Welcome to Worship!

Jesus is called our good shepherd. He watches over us, keeps us from harm, and guides us to eternal life. But he has also chosen to send undershepherds, people given responsibility for the spiritual well-being of Jesus' flock. The authority and the power of our human shepherds comes not from themselves, but from God's Word!

Prayer Before Worship

Lord Jesus, we thank you for faithful ministers everywhere. There is a great harvest today just as there was when you sent out your very first missionaries. Give us faith to trust that the work is done not by our own efforts or ingenuity, but by the power of your Word, which you have sent with us to bring in the harvest of souls to eternal life! Amen.

Our Communion Practice

In the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we express unity with our Savior and those who share our faith and stand on the teachings of God's Word. Therefore, we invite to our altar those who are members of Our Savior's or members of the WELS/ELS. Visitors who wish to commune are asked to speak to a pastor before the service begins.

Prayer Before Communing

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Prayer After Communing

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Our Worship

Opening Hymn

CW 742 On Galilee's High Mountain

- On Galilee's high mountain Christ gave the great command in words of strength and promise which all can understand: "All pow'r to me is given to do what I shall choose; therefore I send my children, their witness I will use."
- 2 The Lord, who, born of Mary, came down as man and died, who preached to all who listened, for us was crucified. This Lord, our living brother, in pow'r at God's right hand has chosen us to carry his truth to ev'ry land.
- His strength within my weakness will make me bold to say how his redeeming power transforms my stubborn clay. His touch of fire ignites me, with courage I am sent, my tongue-tied silence broken, with grace made eloquent.
- And not alone to nations in faraway retreats,
 but ev'rywhere I broadcast his love through crowded streets.
 The lives that my life touches, however great or small—
 let them through me see Jesus, who served and saved us all.
- 5 Lord, gather all your children, wherever they may be, and lead them on to heaven to live eternally with you, our loving Father, and Christ, our brother dear, whose Spirit guards and gives us the joy to persevere.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

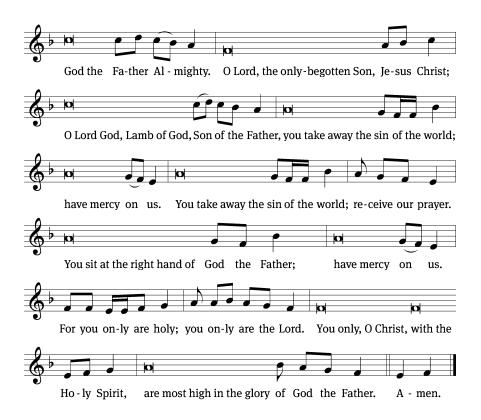
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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



Glory Be to God



The Word

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Almighty God, you have built your church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send your messengers to preserve your people in true peace, that, by the preaching of your Word, your church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:9-3:11

Ezekiel was called to shepherd his fellow exiles

⁹Then I looked, and I saw a hand stretched out to me. In it was a scroll, ¹⁰which he unrolled before me. On both sides of it were written words of lament and mourning and woe.

¹And he said to me, "Son of man, eat what is before you, eat this scroll; then go and speak to the people of Israel." ²So I opened my mouth, and he gave me the scroll to eat.

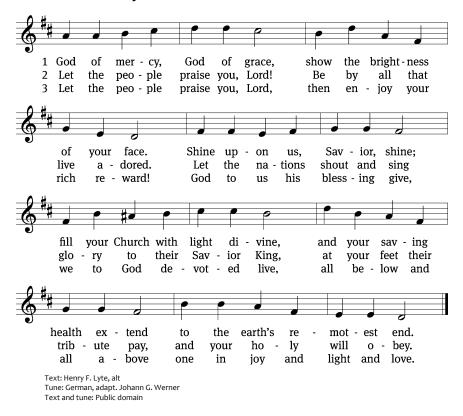
³Then he said to me, "Son of man, eat this scroll I am giving you and fill your stomach with it." So I ate it, and it tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth.

⁴He then said to me: "Son of man, go now to the people of Israel and speak my words to them. ⁵You are not being sent to a people of obscure speech and strange language, but to the people of Israel— ⁶not to many peoples of obscure speech and strange language, whose words you cannot understand. Surely if I had sent you to them, they would have listened to you. ⁷But the people of Israel are not willing to listen to you because they are not willing to listen to me, for all the Israelites are hardened and obstinate. ⁸But I will make you as unyielding and hardened as they are. ⁹I will make your forehead like the hardest stone, harder than flint. Do not be afraid of them or terrified by them, though they are a rebellious people."

¹⁰And he said to me, "Son of man, listen carefully and take to heart all the words I speak to you. ¹¹Go now to your people in exile and speak to them. Say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says,' whether they listen or fail to listen."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** Psalm of the Day

Psalm 67B



Second Reading

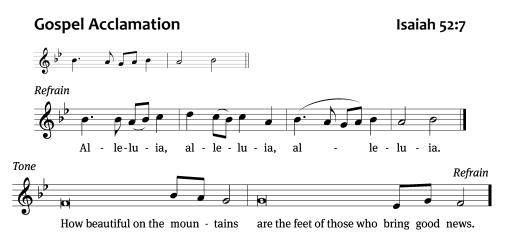
1 Peter 5:1-4

Ministers are to shepherd God's flock as Jesus would

¹To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder and a witness of Christ's sufferings who also will share in the glory to be revealed: ²Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them— not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; ³not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. ⁴And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**





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Gospel

Luke 10:1–12, 16–20

Jesus sends out messengers of his Word

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ²He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

⁵"When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' ⁶If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

⁸"When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁰But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, ¹¹'Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.' ¹²I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹⁶"Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me."

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name."

¹⁸He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. ²⁰However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

CW 901 O Christians, Haste

- O Christians, haste, your mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is light, that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night.
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
- Behold how many thousands still are lying bound in the dreary prison-house of sin with none to tell them of the Savior's dying or of the life he died for them to win.
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

- Proclaim to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is love; tell how he stooped to save his lost creation and died on earth that they might live above.
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
- 4 Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious, give of your wealth to speed them on their way; pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious; O Christians, haste to bring the brighter day! Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

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Sermon

Luke 10:1-12, 16-20

God's Kingdom is Near

Stand

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 truly 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.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase. **Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws. **Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

Offering

Moved by God's love, we offer him our first and best gifts out of thanks to him. As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register as it is passed.

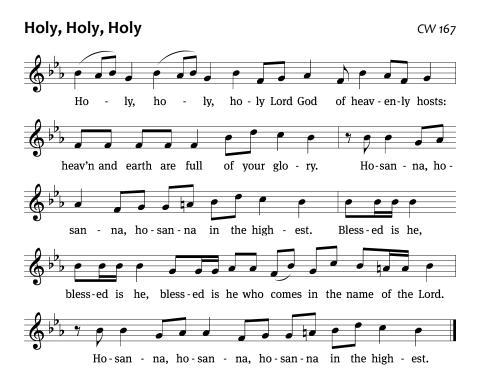
The Sacrament

Stand

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise. 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 until 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:



We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you. As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

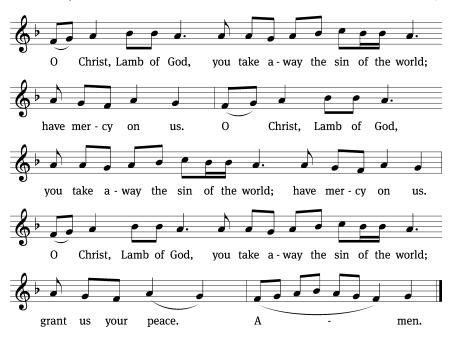
Words of Institution

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. **Amen.**

O Christ, Lamb of God



Be seated

Distribution

Hymn

CW 659 Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior

CW 169

- I Jesus Christ, our blessèd Savior, turned away God's wrath forever; by his bitter grief and woe he saved us from the evil foe.
- 2 As his pledge of love undying, he, this precious food supplying, gives his body with the bread and with the wine the blood he shed.
- 3 Jesus here himself is sharing; take heed how you are preparing, for if you do not believe, judgment instead you shall receive.

- 4 Useless would be Jesus' passion if salvation you could fashion.Do not come if you suppose you need not him who died and rose.
- 5 Christ says, "Come, all you that labor, and receive my grace and favor; those who feel no pain or ill need no physician's help or skill."
- 6 Then hold fast with faith unshaken that this food is to be taken by the souls who are distressed, by hearts that long for peace and rest.
- 7 Praise the Father, who from heaven unto us such food has given and, to mend what we have done, gave into death his only Son.
- 8 If your heart this truth professes and your mouth your sin confesses, surely you will be his guest and at his banquet ever blest.

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Hymn

CW 706 Come unto Me, Ye Weary

- "Come unto me, ye weary, and I will give you rest."
 O blessèd voice of Jesus, which comes to hearts oppressed!
 It tells of benediction, of pardon, grace, and peace, of joy that has no ending, of love that cannot cease.
- "Come unto me, ye wand'rers, and I will give you light."
 O loving voice of Jesus, which comes to cheer the night!
 Our hearts were filled with sadness, and we had lost our way, but thou hast brought us gladness and songs at break of day.
- 3 "Come unto me, ye fainting, and I will give you life." O cheering voice of Jesus, which comes to aid our strife! The foe is stern and eager, the fight is fierce and long, but thou hast made us mighty and stronger than the strong.
- 4 "And whosoever cometh, I will not cast him out." O patient love of Jesus, which drives away our doubt, which, though we be unworthy of love so great and free, invites us very sinners to come, dear Lord, to thee!

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Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. 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.

Amen.

Blessing

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. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

CW 981

In This Place Your Word Is Planted

- In this place your Word is planted; on our path the seed is sown.
 To the Church your Word is spoken; in our hearts a light has shone.
- Let your planting not be wasted, wilted soon in stony field.
 Let our worldly cares not choke it, robbing you of rightful yield.
- Help us treasure holy wisdom, savor ev'ry word you give.
 Help us cherish Jesus' gospel, bread by which your people live.
- 4 Blest are they who, truth receiving, know its value more than gold. Blest are they who, persevering, bear good fruit a hundredfold.

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Serving You in Worship

- Minister Vicar Sam Helwig
- Organist Marie Kurth
- Ushers Bob Gresens, Rolain Scharbarth (Next Sunday – Mark Krohn, Kurt Schubring)

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy

Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is pastorm@mysaintpeter.org.

Divine Call News

Our congregation has issued a divine call to Rev. Benjamin Wessel, who is currently serving at Woodlawn Lutheran Church in West Allis, WI. Please keep him, his wife, and both of our congregations in your prayers as he deliberates where he can best serve our Lord.

Annual Voters Meeting

All members are encouraged to attend the meeting on Sunday, July 17 following our worship service. The 2022-23 budget will be presented for approval.

Volunteers Needed on July 23

On Saturday, July 23rd, the Wausau 150th year Celebration will be held. **Our Savior's members will run the ring toss game from 1:00 to approximately 8:00 pm.** We need volunteers for 2-3 hour shifts. To volunteer please contact Tim Heil @ 715-842-4573. Please leave a call back number if there is no answer.

School Custodian Position

We are searching for a new school custodian to begin working by mid-August. The position is part time. Please speak with Dan Hoenecke for more information. We thank Dave Schultz for his service to our school.

Pastor Installation at Redeemer, Weston

The members of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Weston invite us to celebrate God's goodness as Pastor Ryan Cortright is installed in a 3:30 pm worship service on Sunday, July 17th with a meal to follow. If you are planning to attend, please contact their church office as Redeemer would like a head count in advance for planning purposes 715.359.4433

Kronenwetter Mission Update

The Multi Congregation Task Force and the Core Group for the Kronenwetter mission effort will meet at Northland at 6 pm on Sunday, July 17th. Our special guest will be Pastor Mark Birkholz. He serves the Lord and our synod as a mission counselor, and he will share what we can do in the months ahead to keep this effort moving forward. Everyone is welcome to come!

Memorial

We thank DuWayne & Shirley Marquardt for their gift to Our Savior's Tuition Assistance fund given in memory of their cousin, Hazel Kell and their friend, Gerald Oevroy. Blessed be their memories. Thanks be to God for the love which led to this gift.

Remember in Your Prayers

Carol Smith is hospitalized at Aspirus. May our Lord grant her comfort and healing according to his good and gracious will.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ					
Today	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion Food Pantry Sunday			
Sunday 7/17	9:00 AM 10:10 AM 3:30 PM 6:00 PM	Worship Voters Meeting Pastor Installation at Redeemer Kronenwetter Mission Meeting			

Weekly	Vision	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Plate</u>	OSS Tuition Asst	Missions
\$2,473.00	\$180.00	\$100.00	\$10.00	\$60.00	\$5.00

Attendance: Sunday, July 3 – 56 online – 23 Total = 79



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