



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

8th Sunday after Pentecost – August 7, 2022



Welcome to Worship!

This is the day the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it! As we focus today on God's generosity, we pray that his love would continue to overflow in your life.

Prayer Before Worship

Dear Lord, you alone give us every good and perfect gift. Forgive us for those times when we have forgotten that you are the perfect giver or have expected your gifts as the "status quo." Remind us that you are our great provider and help us to use the gifts you give us to serve and help our neighbors. In Jesus' name, amen.

Serving You in Worship

- Minister – Vicar Sam Helwig
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Bill Unruh, Tony Sulko
(Next Sunday – Rick & Karen Leopold)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

Opening Hymn

CW 563

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare to make no other claim,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name. (Refrain)

**Refrain: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in ev'ry high and stormy gale
my anchor holds within the veil. (Refrain)
- 3 His oath, his covenant and blood
support me in the raging flood;
when ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. (Refrain)
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before his throne. (Refrain)

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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.

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.

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures you have stored up for us in heaven that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of your grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Word

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:1-2,12-14; 2:18-26

King Solomon learned the limited value of possessions

¹The words of the Teacher, son of David, king in Jerusalem:

²“Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher.

“Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless.”

¹²I, the Teacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³I applied my mind to study and to explore by wisdom all that is done under the heavens. What a heavy burden God has laid on mankind! ¹⁴I have seen all the things that are done under the sun; all of them are meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

¹⁸I hated all the things I had toiled for under the sun, because I must leave them to the one who comes after me. ¹⁹And who knows whether that person will be wise or foolish? Yet they will have control over all the fruit of my toil into which I have poured my effort and skill under the sun. This too is meaningless. ²⁰So my heart began to despair over all my toilsome labor under the sun. ²¹For a person may labor with wisdom, knowledge and skill, and then they must leave all they own to another who has not toiled for it. This too is meaningless and a great misfortune. ²²What do people get for all the toil and anxious striving with which they labor under the sun? ²³All their days their work is grief and pain; even at night their minds do not rest. This too is meaningless.

²⁴A person can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in their own toil. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for without him, who can eat or find enjoyment? ²⁶To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

CW 818 (Psalm 62)



1 My soul finds rest in God a-lone, my rock and my sal - va - tion;
2 Find rest, my soul, in God a-lone a - mid the world's temp-ta - tions;
3 I'll set my gaze on God a-lone and trust in him com-plete - ly;



a for - tress strong a - gainst my foes, and I will not be
when e - vil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my sal -
with ev - 'ry day pour out my soul, and he will prove his



shak - en. Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and
va - tion. Though rich - es come and rich - es go, don't
mer - cy. Though life is but a fleet - ing breath, a



lies like ar - rows pierce me, I'll fix my heart on
set your heart up - on them; the fields of hope in
sigh too brief to mea - sure, my king has crushed the



right - eous - ness, I'll look to him who hears me.
which I sow are har - vest - ed in heav - en.
curse of death and I am his for - ev - er.

Refrain



O praise him, hal - le - lu - jah, my de - light and my re - ward;



ev - er - last - ing, nev - er fail - ing, my Re - deem - er, my God.

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Gospel

Luke 12:13–21

Jesus gives a strong warning against greed

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

¹⁴Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” ¹⁵Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

¹⁶And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.’

¹⁸“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. ¹⁹And I’ll say to myself, ‘You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.’”

²⁰“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’

²¹“This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

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.

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

CW 602

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be. (Refrain)

Ref Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (Refrain)

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (Refrain)

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¹Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

You Died, Now Live

Thank Offering & Friendship Register

As the offering is gathered, we ask both members and visitors to sign the Friendship Register, which is located at the end of the pew (center aisle).

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing

The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

Closing Hymn

CW 521 sts. 1-4

- 1 Christ the eternal Lord,
whose promise here we claim,
whose gifts of grace are freely poured
on all who name your name;
with thankfulness and praise
we stand before your throne,
intent to serve you all our days
and make your glory known.

- 2 Christ the unchanging Word
to ev'ry passing age,
whose timeless teachings still are heard
set forth on Scripture's page;
transform our thought and mind,
enlighten all who read,
within your Word by faith to find
the bread of life indeed.

- 3 Christ the redeeming Son
who shares our human birth,
and by his death salvation won
for ev'ry child of earth;
inspire our hearts, we pray,
to tell your love abroad,
that all may honor Christ today
and follow him as Lord.

- 4 Christ the unfading Light
of everlasting day,
our Morning Star in splendor bright,
the Life, the Truth, the Way;
that light of truth you give
to servants as to friends,
your way to walk, your life to live,
till earth's brief journey ends.

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***Thank you for worshipping with us!
May God richly bless your week.***

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 & Meeting

Pastor Wessel has prayerfully declined our Call. We will hold our next Call meeting on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30 am.

Today: Farewell Door Offering for Vicar Helwig

Vicar Helwig will preach his last sermon at Our Savior's today. The Helwig family has already moved back to the Milwaukee area. We wish Sam and Maddie, as well as their daughters Jolene and Petra, all of God's blessings as he returns to Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary for his final year of education and training for the pastoral ministry.

To thank Vicar Helwig for his service to Our Savior's, we are collecting a door offering today, which will be sent to the seminary to help with his tuition costs.

In Our Prayers

Please remember in your prayers Shirley Marquardt and Rose Schreiber, who were hospitalized this past week. We pray that God would grant them comfort and healing according to his good and gracious will.

Donna Kuehl, a member at Mountain of the Lord and very active in LWMS, is terminally ill. She has been hospitalized in Madison since 5/29/22. Please pray for Donna & her family and, if you wish, send cards of support. She is not allowed visitors or phone calls at this time and will likely be moving to a hospice care facility very soon. The current mailing address is:

Donna Kuehl
UW Health University Hospital
600 Highland Ave
Madison, WI 53792

Sharing God's Love In Jesus

A new Bible Information Class, "Life's Big Questions", will begin on Monday, August 15th, at 6:30 pm at St. Peter in the lower level of the Ministry Center at the Schofield Campus. Please think of friends, co-workers, neighbors whom you could invite to attend! There are informational invitations in the kiosk in the church entryway.

Our Savior's School Registration on Wednesday

We're gearing up for another school year! Our school registration date is this Wednesday, Aug. 10, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. If this date and time do not work for you, please contact the school to set up a registration time ASAP.

School Custodian Position

We are still 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.

Cleaning Before School Opens

There are a couple of items that need to be done to be ready for school opening.

1. Deep clean both bathrooms. With some help this could be taken care of in a few hours one afternoon and early evening. See or call Bill Unruh if you would be able to help. **We'd like to get this done on Monday, August 15.**
2. We also need to power wash the exterior walls, doors, canopy, link area, and church entrance areas. If you could help some morning when the weather is nice (sunshine and 68 degrees) let Bill know and we'll try to get this done.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ

Today	9:00 AM	Worship
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Coordinating Council
Wednesday	4-6 PM	OS School Registration
Sunday 8/14 <i>- Food Pantry</i>	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: July 31, 2022

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Reduction</u>
\$3,219.00	\$150.00	\$160.00

Attendance: Sunday, July 31 – 61 online – 31 Total = 92



Growing in Jesus, Sharing His Love

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