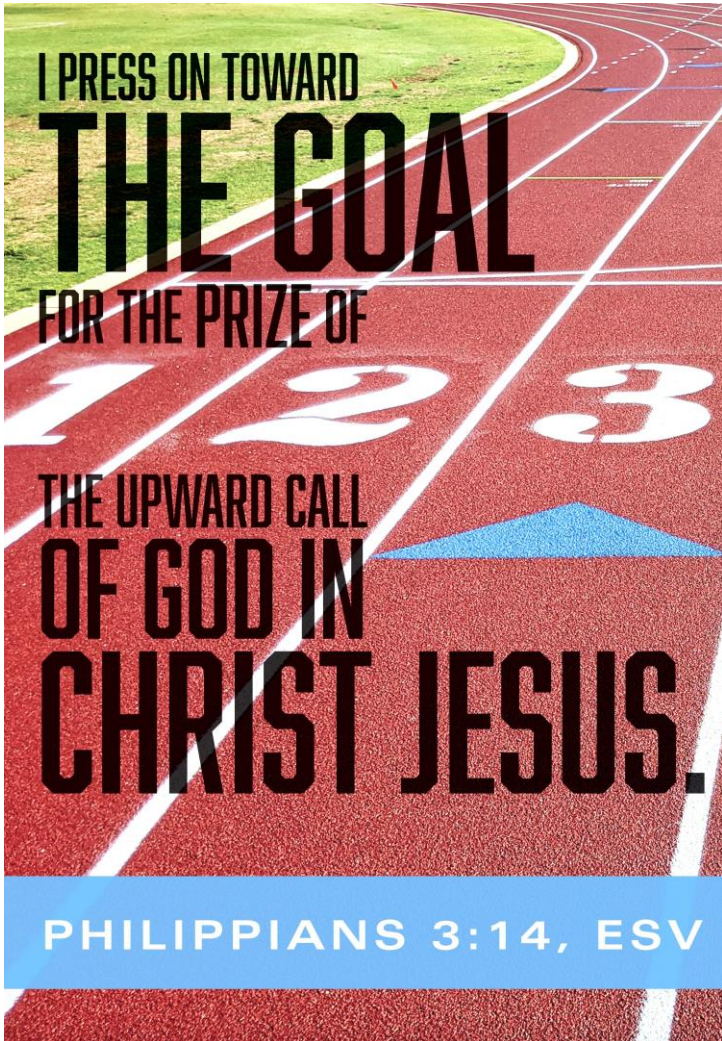




OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

17th Sunday after Pentecost – October 2, 2022



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

"I rejoiced with those said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'" Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Serving Today

- Minister – Pastor Walter Davidson
- Organist – Marie Kurth
- Ushers – Rick & Karen Leopold (*Next Sunday – Stelzer*)

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Our Worship

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn

CW 779

- 1 I sing as I arise today, I call on my Creator's might:
the will of God to be my guide, the eye of God to be my sight;
- 2 The word of God to be my speech, the hand of God to be my stay,
the shield of God to be my strength, the path of God to be my way;
- 3 The work of God to be my joy, the house of God to be my rest,
the grace of God to be my song, the praise of God to be my best.
- 4 I sing as I arise today; I cry out my Redeemer's name:
Lord Jesus Christ, my hope, my all, today and evermore the same.

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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 \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

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

Glory to God in the Highest

Tune: AURELIA



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;

for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.

Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,

we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 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

1 Chronicles 29:1-2,10-18

¹Then King David said to the whole assembly: “My son Solomon, the one whom God has chosen, is young and inexperienced. The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the LORD God. ²With all my resources I have provided for the temple of my God—gold for the gold work, silver for the silver, bronze for the bronze, iron for the iron and wood for the wood, as well as onyx for the settings, turquoise, stones of various colors, and all kinds of fine stone and marble—all of these in large quantities.

¹⁰David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying,

“Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. ¹¹Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. ¹²Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all. ¹³Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

¹⁴“But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand. ¹⁵We are foreigners and strangers in your sight, as were all our ancestors. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. ¹⁶LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you. ¹⁷I know, my God, that you test the heart and are pleased with integrity. All these things I have given willingly and with honest intent. And now I have seen with joy how willingly your people who are here have given to you. ¹⁸LORD, the God of our fathers Abraham, Isaac and Israel, keep these desires and thoughts in the hearts of your people forever, and keep their hearts loyal to you.

My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone

Psalm 62C



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



va - tion; a for - tress strong a - gainst my foes, and
ta - tions; when e - vil seeks to take a hold I'll
plete - ly; with ev - 'ry day pour out my soul and



I will not be shak - en. Though lips may bless and
cling to my sal - va - tion. Though rich - es come and
he will prove his mer - cy. Though life is but a



hearts may curse, and lies like ar - rows pierce me, I'll
rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on them; the
fleet - ing breath, a sigh too brief to mea - sure, my



fix my heart on right-eous-ness, I'll look to him who hears me.
fields of hope in which I sow are har-vest-ed in heav - en.
King has crushed the 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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Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:1–5, 11–12

¹Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

²Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing. ⁴Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring. ⁵All this is evidence that God's judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering. ¹¹With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith. ¹²We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

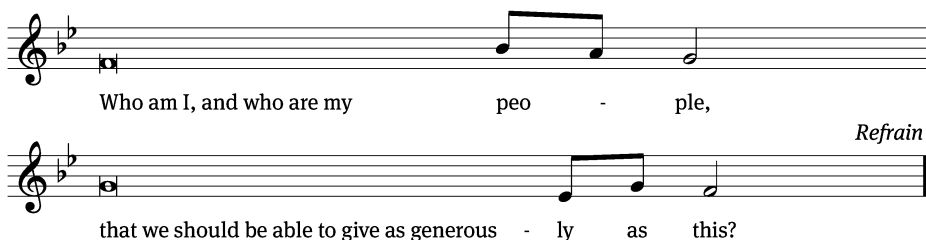
1 Chronicles 29:14



Refrain



Tone



¹Jesus said to his disciples: “Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. ²It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these little ones to stumble. ³So watch yourselves. “If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them. ⁴Even if they sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying ‘I repent,’ you must forgive them.” ⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” ⁶He replied, “If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it will obey you. ⁷“Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, ‘Come along now and sit down to eat’? ⁸Won’t he rather say, ‘Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink’? ⁹Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? ¹⁰So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

CW 876

- 1 Fight the good fight with all your might;
 Christ is your strength and Christ your right.
 Lay hold on life, and it shall be
 your joy and crown eternally.
- 2 Run the straight race through God’s good grace;
 lift up your eyes and seek his face.
 Life with its way before us lies;
 Christ is the path and Christ the prize.

- 3 Cast care aside, lean on your guide;
his boundless mercy will provide.
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life and Christ its love.
- 4 Faint not nor fear, his arms are near;
he changes not, and you are dear.
Only believe, and you will see
that Christ is Lord eternally.

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Sermon

Philippians 3:12-14

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus also took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it yet, but there is one thing I do: Forgetting the things that are behind and straining toward the things that are ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

"You're Not Done Running Yet!"

1. God daily moves you forward...until
2. God finally calls you upward

Stand

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.

Be seated

Thank Offering & Friendship Register

As the offering is gathered, we ask both members and visitors to sign the Friendship Registers, which are located at the end of the pews .

Hymn

CW 838

- 1 The will of God is always best and shall be done forever;
 and they who trust in him are blest; he will forsake them never.
 He helps indeed in time of need;
 he chastens with forbearing.
 They who depend on God, their friend,
 shall not be left despairing.
- 2 God is my comfort and my trust, my hope and life abiding,
 and to his counsel, wise and just, I yield, in him confiding.
 The very hairs, his Word declares,
 upon my head he numbers.
 By night and day God is my stay;
 he never sleeps nor slumbers.
- 3 Lord, this I ask, O hear my plea, deny me not this favor:
 when Satan sorely troubles me, then do not let me waver.
 O guard me well, my fear dispel,
 fulfill your faithful saying:
 all who believe by grace receive
 an answer to their praying.
- 4 When life's brief course on earth is run and I this world am leaving,
 grant me to say, "Your will be done," your faithful Word believing.
 My heav'nly Friend, I now commend
 my soul into your keeping,
 o'er sin and hell and death as well
 in you the vict'ry reaping.

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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.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again, and who has also taught us to pray:

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 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 927

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
trav'ling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration
for the gospel's joyful sound;
may the fruits of your salvation
in our hearts and lives abound!
Ever faithful, ever faithful
to your truth may we be found.
- 3 So whene'er the signal's given
us from earth to call away,
borne on angels' wings to heaven,
glad the summons to obey,
may we ever, may we ever
reign with Christ in endless day.

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Thank you for worshiping 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.

Mission Festival 2022 – We will celebrate Mission Festival with a special worship service focusing on Home Missions on Sunday, October 9th. Please note that a free will door offering will be gathered to support:

- a) the WELS “100 new missions in 10 years” initiative and
- b) Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Beloit, WI.

Good Shepherd is a mission church that is starting up a Little Lambs Learning Center to reach out to young families in a community which is in great need of day care. The Western Wisconsin District Mission Board is encouraging all churches in our district to consider giving an offering to help this ministry.

Lutheran Women's Mission Society – The Fall Rally is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th from 8:30-12:00 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mosinee. All are invited to attend. Registration fee is \$3.00 per person. Pastor Paul will be the speaker. He writes,

“My name was Dr. Jordan Patrick and now my given name is Pastor Paul Luther. I was a surgeon for 36 years in Pakistan, where I was being called to be a doctor of souls... I was promoted to be a pastor for South Asians in the United States. I have three stories to share with you: everyone's story, my story, and Jesus' story and the work our Lord is doing in our church, Christ Lutheran Church in Pewaukee WI.”

NOTE: Anyone wishing to donate for missions may place their donation in the plate by the door on Sunday, October 2. Please make checks out to Our Savior's and write LWMS on the memo line.

(This is separate from the freewill door offering which will be collected next week for our Mission Festival Sunday.)

Christian Education Sunday - On Sunday, October 16, our worship will focus on Christian education. We also look forward to hearing our school students sing.

MLC Concert at NLHS – The Martin Luther College Concert Choir will be at NLHS on Wednesday, Oct. 19. They will present a brief concert at 1:00 pm, and anyone from the area is welcome to join NLHS for this special treat.

WELS Youth Night - Experience an inspiring evening of games, music, prayer, Bible message, small group discussion, and fun with high school youth (9th-12th grade: NLHS, home-schooled, public school) from local WELS congregations. **Pizza will be provided!** The goal is for our youth to see that they are not alone and to be encouraged to enjoy the faith they share with others. This event is **free** and teens are encouraged to invite a friend. This is at Northland, but not just for Northland students. We are inviting teens from all around the area to join us! It is totally free.

Sign-up online: (www.oursaviorswausau.org) or <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a48aeaf22aaf94-easter> or at Northland, see Ms. Schibbelhut.

Planning and Helpers for Outdoor Nativity – The Core Group for mission outreach in the Kronenwetter area is looking for help to plan and present an outdoor Nativity, December 16th & 17th. We are looking for help now with marketing and designing and building sets. We're also looking for those willing to be actors or serve refreshments that weekend. Please partner with us to share the JOY and to warm tummies and hearts that need to hear the GOOD NEWS. Call or text Guy Russ at 715-297-1106 if you want to help.

Men's Club Vets Night at St. Peter – Plans are being made for the annual Men's Club Vets Night scheduled for Monday, October 24th, at 6 pm which will include a chicken supper from Lee's Catering. All veterans are invited and are asked to sign up in the narthex by Oct. 16 if they plan to attend.

2023 Calendars 2023 Calendars – We will not order God’s Creation Calendars this year due to low interest. Instead, we’re offering the 2023 LWMS Prayer Calendar, which focuses on the beauty and power of music in mission work. Learn about amazing vocal and instrumental talent throughout the world – made even more amazing when that talent is used to serve God! Each month lists the missionary birthdays and prayer requests. Cost is \$10 plus shipping. Please sign up in the narthex by October 30.

This Week’s Opportunities for Growing in Christ		
Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship Sunday School & Bible Class
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Board of Education
Saturday	9:00 AM - noon	LWMS Rally at Immanuel, Mosinee
Sunday 10/9	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Mission Festival Worship with Communion Sunday School & Bible Class (Food pantry Sunday)

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts: Sept. 25, 2022				
<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Reduction</u>	<u>NLHS Tuition</u>	<u>NLHS Operating</u>
\$4,982.00	\$390.00	\$455.00	\$20.00	\$250.00
<u>Bldg Maintenance</u>	<u>WELS Lutherans for Life</u>		<u>School Fees</u>	
\$150.00	\$10.00		\$895.33	
<u>Elephant Ear Stand</u>				
\$2,000.00				
Attendance: 62 + 36 (online) = 98				



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