



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*When he saw the crowds,
he had compassion on them because
they were confused and helpless,
like sheep without a shepherd.*

Matthew 9:36 NLT



WELCOME

Thank you for worshiping with us this Third Sunday after the Pentecost as we continue our current worship series under the theme “The Holy Ministry”. Today’s hymns, Scripture readings, and prayers emphasize the compassion for lost souls with which those who are called to serve in the public, or representative, ministry are to have. May the Lord grant this compassion to not only our pastors and teachers, but all of us as we pray for and take part in the spiritual harvest of souls. May the Lord bless your worship!

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 apostles. 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 the pastor before the service begins.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Minister ~ Pastor Jeff Mahnke
- Organist ~ Jodi Langenhahn
- Ushers ~ Dan & Carrie Stelzer

Next week ~ Sawyer Burish, Bob Gresens

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 25, 2023

The Holy Ministry Demonstrates Compassion
for God's People

Opening Hymn

CW 716

O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

- 1 O Christ, who called the Twelve to rise and follow you,
forsaking old, familiar ways for ventures bold and new:
grant us to hear your call to risk security
and, bound in heart and will to you, find perfect liberty.

- 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for ages sealed,
whose words and works awakened faith, the ways of God revealed:
instruct us now, we pray, by your empow'ring Word.
True teacher, be for all who seek their light, their life, their Lord.

- 3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd never trod
to serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim the nearer reign of God:
send us on ways where faith transcends timidity,
where love informs and hope sustains both life and ministry.

- 4 O Christ, th'apostles' Lord, the martyrs' strength and song,
the crucified and risen King to whom the saints belong:
though generations pass, our tribute still we bring,
our hymns a sacrifice of praise, our lives an offering.

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Stand

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

And also with you.

Confession of Sins

We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and to 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.

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.

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.

Amen.

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

**Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues forever.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

Prayer of the Day

Almighty, eternal God, in the Word of your apostles and prophets, you have proclaimed to us your saving will. Grant us faith to believe your promises that we may receive eternal salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

The Word

First Reading

Numbers 27:15–23

Compassionate for his people, God had Moses appoint Joshua

¹⁵Moses said to the LORD, ¹⁶“May the LORD, the God who gives breath to all living things, appoint someone over this community ¹⁷to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so the LORD’s people will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

¹⁸So the LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit of leadership, and lay your hand on him. ¹⁹Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the entire assembly and commission him in their presence. ²⁰Give him some of your authority so the whole Israelite community will obey him. ²¹He is to stand before Eleazar the priest, who will obtain decisions for him by inquiring of the Urim before the LORD. At his command he and the entire community of the Israelites will go out, and at his command they will come in.”

²²Moses did as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole assembly. ²³Then he laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the LORD instructed through Moses.

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Serve him with joy, his praises tell,
come now before him and rejoice!

Trust that the Lord our God is good,
his mercy is forever sure.
His faithfulness at all times stood
and shall from age to age endure.

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 4:1–7

Paul wrote the divided church in Corinth in compassion and to warn them

¹This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. ²Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. ³I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself. ⁴My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me. ⁵Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes. He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. At that time each will receive their praise from God.

⁶Now, brothers and sisters, I have applied these things to myself and Apollos for your benefit, so that you may learn from us the meaning of the saying, “Do not go beyond what is written.” Then you will not be puffed up in being a follower of one of us over against the other. ⁷For who makes you different from anyone else? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as though you did not?

Stand

Verse of the Day

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel

Matthew 9:35—10:8

*Jesus had compassion on the people,
and he appointed 12 to show compassion*

³⁵Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:

“Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

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

Be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

CW 897

Lord Jesus, You Have Come

- 1 Lord Jesus, you have come a teacher sent from heaven
and by both word and deed God's truth to us have given.
You wisely have ordained the holy ministry
that we, your flock, may know the truth that sets us free.
- 2 O blessed ministry of reconciliation,
that shows the way to God and brings to us salvation!
Lord, by your gospel pure you bless and keep your fold,
you call, enlighten, keep, you comfort and uphold.
- 3 Preserve this ministry while harvest days are keeping;
and since the fields are ripe and hands are few for reaping,
send workers forth, O Lord, the sheaves to gather in
that not a soul be lost which you have come to win.
- 4 The servants you have called and to your Church are giving
preserve in doctrine pure and holiness of living.
Your Spirit fill their hearts and charge their words with pow'r;
what they should boldly speak, O give them in that hour!

- 5 Bring those into your fold who still to you are strangers;
guard those who are within against offense and dangers.
Press onward with your Word till pastor and his fold
through faith in you, O Christ, your glory shall behold.

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Sermon

Matthew 9:35-10:8

Lord Jesus, Fill Our Hearts with Compassion for the Lost!

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.

Thank Offering & Friendship Register

Members of Our Savior's give generous and free will gifts to honor the Lord and support our ministry of the gospel. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obligated to do so.

As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God, you treasure your people for Christ's sake and give us your commandments to guide our ways. Grant that we, redeemed by his blood, may do all he has spoken. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy God, send forth laborers to make known the Gospel of your kingdom in Christ Jesus. Prosper the labor of pastors, missionaries and all church workers, that many peoples may hear, believe and praise you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O God, our God, the earth still yields its increase under your care and preservation. Bless us with daily bread, and give us wisdom as stewards of your creation. In your goodness provide our land with the needed rainfall for a bountiful harvest that your people may serve you faithfully. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, your Son demonstrated his power over sin by healing every disease and affliction. Give healing to those in any need of body or soul. Deliver them according to your gracious will. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

O blessed Lord, as you have had compassion upon us, make us empathetic to look with compassion on the many people in our community, nation, and world who are spiritually lost without you in their hearts by faith. Make us eager to pray regularly for workers to be sent out into the harvest field. Raise up from our families and our church family young men and women to serve in the public ministry of the gospel as future pastors, teachers, and staff ministers. Use us as the answers to our prayers as we share the gospel with friends, relatives, associates at work and neighbors. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

O Triune God, help us to live as your people, doing the good works for which we were created, and praying with confidence the petitions and supplications of our hearts; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, in whose name we now join and pray:

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.

The Sacrament

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

CW 169

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

The musical score is written on five staves in a single system. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, and so on. The final line of music ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Be seated

Distribution & Distribution Hymns

Lord Jesus Christ, Our Savior-King

CW 899

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior-King,
to you our highest praise we sing
for blessings to the Church, your bride,
with whom you evermore abide.
- 2 Your Scriptures lead us to rejoice,
for there we hear our Father's voice.
His gracious promises proclaim
forgiveness in your holy name.
- 3 Your Spirit's call to faith we heard
in water's washing with the Word.
Lord, keep us in baptismal grace
and make our hearts your dwelling place.
- 4 With simple food of bread and wine
you feed us with a feast divine.
Your blood and body we partake—
our sins forgiven for your sake.
- 5 As stewards of these means of grace
you send out preachers in your place
your wondrous mercy to proclaim
and glorify your saving name.
- 6 Lord, give us ministers who live
according to the grace you give.
To Scripture may they faithful be,
and so preserve this ministry.
- 7 And then, at last, Lord, hear our prayer:
gather your blood-bought children there
where saints and angels sing your praise,
and we with them, through endless days!

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Spread Abroad, O Mighty Word

CW 902

- 1 Spread abroad, O mighty Word,
telling of a gracious Lord
whose all-pow'rful gospel call
fills his heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2 Tell how God the Father's will
made the world, upholds it still,
how his only Son he gave
all from sin and death to save.
- 3 Tell of our Redeemer's love,
who forever does remove
by his holy sacrifice
all the guilt that on us lies.
- 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n
now to guide us on to heav'n,
strong and holy, just and true,
working both to will and do.
- 5 Spread abroad! Ripe fields of grain
all throughout the world remain,
but the reapers still are few;
great the work they have to do.
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind,
rouse to action heart and mind;
let the gath'ring nations all
see your light and heed your call.

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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 927 sts. 1–2

- 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.

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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.

Pastoral Care – Pastor Mahnke will be on vacation through July 1. If you need pastoral care, please call Pastor Schnake at 715-348-2075.

Divine Call Update –Rev. Samuel Pappenfuss has returned our Call. Please watch the bulletin for ministry updates.

Voters' Annual Budget Meeting – All members are welcome and voters are especially encouraged to attend the annual budget meeting TODAY following our worship service. Our 2023-24 budget will be presented for discussion and then will be voted on at the July 30th Annual Meeting. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

Survey Results – You may pick up a copy of the survey results today in the narthex. If you have further comments or questions, please reach out to one of our Council members.

Gift – Sincere thanks to Bill & Sue Unruh for their gift to the Vision fund given in honor of Len & Loris Becker's 70th wedding anniversary.



Birthday Card Shower & Party for Audrey Bey –

Audrey Bey's 100th birthday is July 9th. We'd love to mark this special birthday with a card shower. Please bring your card to church and put it in the box in the narthex by July 2. We'll deliver them to her on July 8th at her birthday party. If you choose to mail your greeting, she's now in room 2209.

Or deliver your greetings in person at her 100th birthday party. You're invited on July 8th, 1:00-4:00 pm at the Mount View Care Center Community Room.

This Week at Our Savior's

Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship with Communion Voters' Annual Budget Meeting
Sunday 7/2	9:00 AM	Worship

Growing Together

June 18, 2023

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Red</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>NLHS Operating</u>
\$2,417.00	\$160.00	\$120.00	\$10.00	\$40.00	\$20.00

NLHS Tuition Asst

\$15.00

Anticipated Weekly Offerings \$4,038

Attendance: Sunday, June 18 – 85

Favorite Hymns Service at Our Savior's in July – On Sunday, July 16, Pastor Mahnke will be conducting the service at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Burlington, Iowa, so Deacon Ellenberger will lead us in a special service of song and Scriptures. We'll be singing more of your favorite hymns combined with favorite Scripture readings. Join us!

Please pick up your July newsletter today in the narthex!



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