



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Sing to the LORD! Give
praise to the LORD!
He rescues the life of
the needy from the
hands of the wicked.
Jeremiah 20:13*

WELCOME

We welcome you to the house of the Lord on the fourth Sunday after Pentecost. Our readings today focus on how the gospel is still preached even in the middle of persecution. We'll take a closer look at the prophet Jeremiah. He was beaten and thrown in prison. He thought about forgetting God, but the Word of God was like a fire inside him. He had to share it with others. The Word of God is like a fire in us, and we too can share it with others.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord Jesus, because you crushed the head of the serpent, the Devil, make us bold to face the challenges of life. With you at our side no one can harm us. Help us to share your Word with all those that need to hear it. In Jesus' name. Amen.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Minister ~ Vicar Caleb Gustafson
 - Organist ~ Marie Kurth
 - Ushers ~ Sawyer Burish, Bob Gresens
- Next week ~ Krohn/Schubring*

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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The 4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 2023

*Focus: The Holy Ministry preaches Christ
despite persecution*

Welcome

Opening Hymn

CW 621

- 1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing;
Alleluia, alleluia! praise the everlasting King!
- 2 Praise him for his grace and favor
to his people in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless,
Alleluia, alleluia! glorious in his faithfulness!
- 3 Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes;
Alleluia, alleluia! widely yet his mercy flows!
- 4 Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him;
all who dwell in time and space,
Alleluia, alleluia! praise with us the God of grace!

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In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

CW 154

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.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
Amen.

Glory Be to God on High

CW 157

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.

Prayer of the Day

O God, because your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us
aware of your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in
your eternal love; 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

Jeremiah 20:7–13

Jeremiah was persecuted yet refused to remain silent

⁷You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived;
you overpowered me and prevailed.

I am ridiculed all day long;
everyone mocks me.

⁸Whenever I speak, I cry out
proclaiming violence and destruction.
So the word of the LORD has brought me
insult and reproach all day long.

⁹But if I say, “I will not mention his word
or speak anymore in his name,”
his word is in my heart like a fire,
a fire shut up in my bones.

I am weary of holding it in;
indeed, I cannot.

¹⁰I hear many whispering,
“Terror on every side!
Denounce him! Let’s denounce him!”

All my friends
are waiting for me to slip, saying,
“Perhaps he will be deceived;
then we will prevail over him
and take our revenge on him.”

¹¹But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior;
so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail.
They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced;
their dishonor will never be forgotten.

¹²LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous
and probe the heart and mind,
let me see your vengeance on them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

¹³Sing to the LORD!
Give praise to the LORD!
He rescues the life of the needy
from the hands of the wicked.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 91D, On Eagle's Wings

- 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"
And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

- 2 Snares of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield.
And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

- 3 For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

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Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:1–8

Sadly, many can't bear sound doctrine so they persecute it

¹In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: ²Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. ³For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

⁶For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

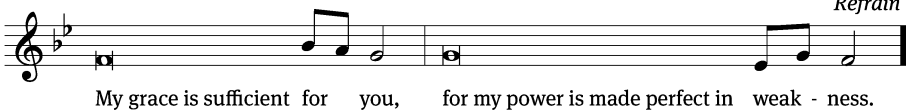
2 Corinthians 12:9



Refrain



Tone



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Gospel

Matthew 10:5a,21-33

Jesus promises that many will hate his followers

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:

²¹“Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²²You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴“The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

²⁶“So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. ²⁸Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. ³⁰And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

³²“Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. ³³But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

CW 867

Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

NOTE: Verse 1 is followed by verse 2, then refrain. All others end in refrain.



1 Af - flict - ed saint, to Christ draw near, your Sav - ior's
2 Your faith is weak, your foes are strong, and if the
3 Should per - se - cu - tion rage and flame, still trust in
4 When called to bear your weight - y cross, or sore af -



gra - cious prom - ise hear; his faith - ful Word you can be -
con - flict should be long, the Lord will make the tempt - er
your Re - deem - er's name. In fi - ery tri - als you shall
flic - tion, pain, or loss, or deep dis - tress, or pov - er -



lieve, that as your days your strength shall be. v. 2
flee, that as your days your strength shall be. *Refrain*
see that as your days your strength shall be. *Refrain*
ty, still as your days your strength shall be. *Refrain*



So, sing with joy, af - flict - ed one; the bat - tle's fierce, but the



vic - t'ry's won! God shall sup - ply all that you need;



yes, as your days your strength shall be.

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Nothing Can Stop God's Word

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

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

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 812 sts. 1, 3

Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor

1 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor in the
3 Christ, the sure and stead - y an - chor through the

fu - ry of the storm— when the winds of doubt blow
floods of un - be - lief— hope - less, some - how, O my

through me and my sails have all been torn,
soul now, lift your eyes to Cal - va - ry.

in the suf - f'ring, in the sor - row, when my
This my bal - last of as - sur - ance, see his

sink - ing hopes are few, I will hold fast to the
love for - ev - er proved; I will hold fast to the

4th stanza repeat italics
an - chor; it shall nev - er be re - moved.
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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 Update –Rev. Samuel Pappenfuss has returned our Call. Please watch the bulletin for ministry updates.

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.



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 TODAY. 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.

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!

Pastor Installation and Divine Call Updates – Pastor Benjamin Phelps will be installed as an associate pastor at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church in Marathon on Sunday, July 9th at 3 pm. We are invited to this service which will be followed with a potluck fellowship meal served in the fellowship hall at the church. May the Lord bless Pastor Phelps and his ministry as he serves alongside Pastor Jon Hadler. ... Pastor Donn Dobberstein continues to hold the Divine Call extended to him by the Western Wisconsin District Mission Board to serve as the missionary pastor for the Kronenwetter mission. He currently serves as the administrator for Discipleship at the synod's headquarters in Pewaukee.

This Week at Our Savior's

Today	9:00 AM	Worship
Saturday	1-4 PM	Audrey Bey's 100 th Birthday Party
Sunday 7/9	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion <i>Food Pantry Sunday</i>

Growing Together

June 25, 2023

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Red</u>	<u>Plate</u>	<u>OS Tuition Assistance</u>
\$4,317.00	\$435.00	\$550.00	\$11.00	\$10.00

NLHS Operating
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Attendance: Sunday, June 25 – 65

Devotion Materials – The July 2023 issue of Forward in Christ and the 3rd Quarter Portals of Prayer are available. Please pick up your copy of these publications in the narthex.

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