



OUR SAVIOR'S

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



WELCOME

Welcome to God's House today. We are so glad you could join us and we hope you find your time with us beneficial to your soul for many days to come. If you are visiting with us, do come again soon.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord Jesus, you took little children into your arms and blessed them. Move us to love and protect the children committed to our care, that by word and example, we bring them to you and teach them to know you, love you, and trust in your protection; you live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Minister ~ Pastor Jeff Grundmeier, NLHS Campus Pastor
 - NLHS Northwinds Choir, directed by Mrs. Debra Price
 - Our Savior's Lutheran School Children
 - Organist ~ Debra Price
 - Ushers ~ Travis Kurth, Bill Unruh
- Next week ~ Rick & Karen Leopold*

Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2023

Christian Education Sunday

Opening Hymn

CW 911

God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises

- 1 God, we sing your glorious praises
 as we tell your awesome deeds;
you have fashioned all creation,
 and you meet each creature's needs.
We rejoice in how your people
 tasted your great faithfulness;
graced through ev'ry generation,
 we your mighty acts profess.
- 2 We remember, Lord, your covenant,
 which extends from heav'n to earth:
how Christ's death and resurrection
 conquers sin, renews our birth.
Thank you for this gospel message,
 which inspires your Church to preach
grace to ev'ry generation
 in our deeds and in our speech.
- 3 Filled with all your Spirit's power,
 we commit ourselves anew
to be faithful to your gospel
 in the daily work we do.
We will shout your glorious praises,
 telling all who have not heard;
grace for ev'ry generation
 is embodied in your Word.

4 Lord, with joy we lift our voices
as we celebrate your grace
which you shower on your people
gathered here and ev'ryplace.
Blessed by water, Word, and table,
we, your Church, now pledge to share
grace with ev'ry generation
in our witness, work, and prayer.

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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.

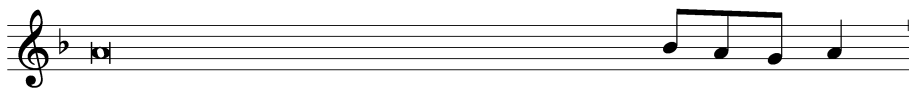
Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son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

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



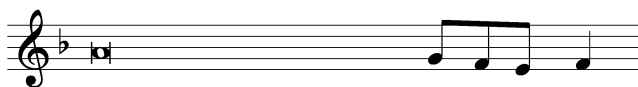
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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 mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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 wor - ship you, we glorify you,



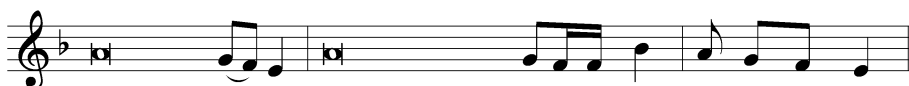
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



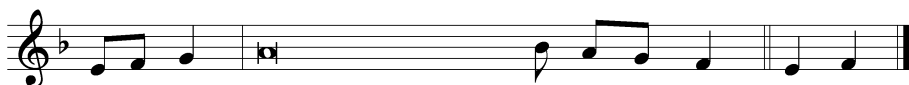
have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.



For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you have committed to your church the task of making disciples of all nations. Enlighten with your wisdom those who teach and those who learn, that, rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship and serve you from generation to generation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

I Am Jesus' Little Lamb

Our Savior's School Children

The Word

First Reading

Proverbs 2:1–6

- ¹My son, if you accept my words
and store up my commands within you,
²turning your ear to wisdom
and applying your heart to understanding—
³indeed, if you call out for insight
and cry aloud for understanding,
⁴and if you look for it as for silver
and search for it as for hidden treasure,
⁵then you will understand the fear of the LORD
and find the knowledge of God.
⁶For the LORD gives wisdom;
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

Psalm of the Day: 150 (Praise the Lord)

Northwinds Choir

Words and Music by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

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Second Reading

Romans 15:4–6

⁴For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

⁵May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, ⁶so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Proverbs 2:6



Refrain

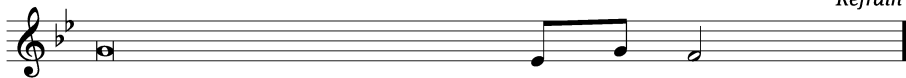


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Tone



For the LORD gives wis - dom;



from his mouth come knowledge and under - stand - ing.

Refrain

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Gospel

Mark 10:13–16

¹³People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

CW 518

- 1 Christ be my leader by night as by day;
safe through the darkness, for he is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future his care,
darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,
drifting or doubting, for he is the truth.
Grant me to trust him; though shifting as sand,
doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
death cannot hold me, for he is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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It's Not About Now

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.

Prayer of the Church

Eternal Father, your Word is a lamp for our feet and a light to our path. You inspired the Scriptures for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that your servants might be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Lead us to love your Word more and more and to receive your message with great eagerness.

You have given us your Word that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in his name. Enable us to see the wonders of your love in Christ from the beginning to the end of your holy book.

Help us to see Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Work in all your people, especially in parents, the resolve and patience to teach little children the simple truths about the Savior who loves them. Walk with us as we take our children to the manger, the cross, and the empty tomb. Let them find Jesus in stories, songs, and prayers. **Move us to bring up our children in the training and instruction of the Lord.**

Provide wisdom and commitment to teachers who train our young people in Sunday Schools and youth Bible classes. Deepen their knowledge of your Word as they prepare and share the lessons they teach. Move them to model a sincere devotion to the Scriptures. **Lead us to plan for and support the Christian training of children.**

We thank you for enabling our congregation to provide elementary and secondary education for our children. We know our schools are your special blessing, and we pray for the resolve to establish and maintain standards of excellence in all aspects of education. Move us to be generous in our offerings so that teachers may teach and students may learn in fitting surroundings. **Lead us to provide Christian schools that reflect the immensity of your love.**

Bless the schools and teachers who prepare public ministers of the gospel for service in our churches and around the world. Lead teachers and professors to be faithful to your Word and provide insights that enable them to pass on your truth to their students. Ignite the zeal of young men and women to be willing and eager to share the truths of Scripture with others. Move us to support with our prayers and gifts the schools our synod has established. **We pray that you send workers in your harvest fields.**

Work in us that we may find the lasting value of growing in the grace and knowledge of Christ. Lead us to be faithful in our personal study of the Scriptures and in participating in regular Bible classes. Rid us of all thoughts that Christian education ends in our youth. Make us life-long students of your precious Word.

Lead us to believe that at every age your Word remains a lamp for our feet and a light to our path.

How can a young person stay on the path of purity? By living according to your Word. Even when we are old and gray, lead us to meditate on your decrees that we may delight in your wonderful deeds.

Do good to your servants, Lord, according to your Word. 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.

Trust in You by Dan Galbraith & Erik Foster Northwinds Choir

Prayer & 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.

- 1 O Lord, our God, your gracious hand
has crowned our lives with blessing;
your goodness has enriched our land
with gifts for our possessing.
Our homes, our food, and ev'ry good
for earthly work and living,
abundant wealth and life and health
your faithful love is giving.
- 2 For ev'ry earthly grace and gift
we thank you, dearest Father;
now teach us, Lord, our thoughts uplift
that heav'nly fruit we gather.
Our fathers knew and kept in view
true wisdom's worth and pleasure;
they prized as jewels their Christian schools
and left a lasting treasure.
- 3 We thank you, Lord, and sing your praise
for blessings you have given;
be with us still in future days
to guide our youth to heaven.
Lord, grant that we may clearly see
the worth of Christian training
that youth may grow your love to know,
eternal riches gaining.
- 4 Your Word alone, great God of pow'r,
can feed our soul and spirit.
Christ's love gives strength for ev'ry hour
without our deeds or merit.
Grant schools that teach and men who preach
true Christian education;
let youth grow strong by Word and song
in ev'ry land and nation.

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

Sincere Thanks – We thank Pastor Jeff Grundmeier, Mrs. Debra Price and the Northwinds Choir from Northland Lutheran High School for leading our worship service today. We also thank Our Savior's School students for adding their voices to our worship service.

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 – Our voters issued a Pastoral Call to Rev. Darin Warnecke. Pastor Warnecke currently serves St. John's Lutheran Church in Sturgis, Michigan. Please keep him and his wife, as well as both of our congregations in your prayers as he deliberates where he may best serve our Lord. You may contact him by email to offer your words of encouragement or to set up a time to chat: dwarnecke12@gmail.com

Sunday School and Bible Class Continue Today – Join us following our worship service (about 10:15).

Devotion Materials - The September issue of *Forward in Christ* and the most current issues of *Meditations* and *Portals of Prayer* are available. Please pick up your copy of these publications in the narthex.

Memorial – We thank Mark & Beth Krohn for their gift given in memory of Scott Weith, son of Geneva Weith. *Blessed be his memory. Thanks be to God for the love which led to this gift.*

Holy Smoke BBQ Contest & Fellowship – Holy Smoke BBQ Contest and neighborhood food drive is once again happening at Redeemer Lutheran in Weston on Saturday, October 7th from 11am – 2PM. There will be free BBQ samples, music and games. Help your neighbor by bringing a nonperishable item for Neighbor's Place food pantry. Everyone is welcome and any person or team interested in competing can call 715-359-4433 or fill out the team registration at www.redeemerweston.com

WELS Youth Night - On Sunday, October 22nd, 5:00-8:30 pm our Wausau area WELS teens and their friends in **8th to 12th grade** are invited to come to our first WELS Youth Night of the new school year at Northland Lutheran High School in Kronenwetter. This year Youth Night will have a revamped format and the same great pizza! We are excited to have some time in God's Word together **AND** spend some time with Bob Ross painting some Happy Trees! There will also be "Bob Ross" themed prizes, so you don't want to miss this event! Admission is free again and teens are encouraged to invite a friend. While the event is at Northland, it is not just for Northland students. We encourage teens to sign up soon - space could be limited if you wait too long. The sign-up can be found at mysaintpeter.org.

NLHS Homecoming

- Friday Sept. 22 - Pep Rally and Class Skits 7-8:30 in the NLHS Gym with a bonfire to follow outside near our Giving Garden (open to all friends and family).
- Saturday Sept. 23 - Homecoming soccer match vs. Northland Pines @ 1:00pm (Please come and support our Wildcats!) Tasty concessions will be available for all fans.

This Week at Our Savior's

Today	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 2-4 PM	Worship: Christian Education Sunday NLHS Northwinds & OS School students sing Sunday School & Bible Class Lutheran Pioneers meet at NLHS
Monday	6:00 PM	Coordinating Council
Wednesday	8:00 AM	OSS Grandparents' Day
Thursday	5:00 PM	Home Volleyball
Saturday	9:15 AM	OS Day at Dime & Dollar Cross Country Meet at Sunnyvale
Next Sunday 9/24	9:00 AM 10:15 AM	Worship with Communion Sunday School & Bible Class

Growing Together

September 10, 2023

<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt Red</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>NLHS Op</u>	<u>Publications</u>
\$3,163.00	\$195.00	\$215.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$6.00

<u>Texas Mission</u>	<u>School Fees</u>
\$40.00	\$1,962.00

Anticipated Weekly Offerings: \$4,077

Attendance: Sunday, September 3 – 83

WI River Valley LWMS Fall Rally

October 21, 2023

Theme: Women of Noble Character
Proverbs 31:10

Guest Speaker:
Brittany Jahns

Host:
Immanuel Lutheran Church

From: Christian Life
Resources

420 Lincoln St.
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Topic:
New Beginnings-
A Home for Mothers.

8:00 Doors Open
8:30 Registration
9:00-12:00 P.M. Rally

Registration Fee: \$3.00





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