



October 14-15, 2023
Pentecost 20

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP! God gathers us through Word and Sacrament to celebrate God's presence and to receive God's gift of grace. God has made us his people through our baptism and keeps us close to him through the preaching of the word and God's presence in the bread and wine of Holy Communion. We give thanks today for the gift of faith God has planted in us, and we depart to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

We extend a special **welcome** to those who are our guests. May God bless this time of worship for you as we are blessed by your presence. If you have no church home we invite you to join with us and consider Our Savior's as your church home. If you are not baptized and would like to talk about baptism as part of your faith journey, please speak with one of the pastors.

FELLOWSHIP PADS: We ask everyone to sign and pass the fellowship pad in the pew and return it to the rack when done.

OFFERING: No offering is collected during our worship this day; however, we do welcome your support of our ministries and thank you for your gifts. Together we make a difference in the lives of others.

Offering plates are available as you leave the sanctuary. For online giving go to the church website: oursaviorswestsalem.org/giving. Or text your gift amount to 608-471-7267 and follow the instructions on the response you receive. Or use the QR Code to the right. Thank you for your generosity and support of our work together.



Order of Worship

*Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*HYMN

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

#167

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion




sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



Refrain
freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



Refrain
glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



Refrain
God; to make all things new.

*GREETING

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

And also with you.

*KYRIE

Bold text is congregational response.

Jonathan Rundman

CHORUS

♩=80



Lord have mer - cy... Lord have mer - cy... Christ have mer - cy... Christ have mer - cy...

VERSES

3



1. We pray for peace from a - bove. We pray for our sal - va - tion. **to CHORUS**

5



2. We pray for peace in the world. We pray for well - ness in your

7



church. We pray for the un - i - ty... of all. **to CHORUS**

9



3. We pray for this ho - ly place. We pray for all who ga - ther here. **to CHORUS**

11



4. Oh Lord... help us, save us. Oh Lord... com - fort and de - fend us.

13



A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men...

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Break the Bread, Pour the Wine" 8 am
Senior Choir

READING Isaiah 25;1-9

¹O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. ²For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. ³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. ⁴For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, ⁵the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. ⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*GOSPEL VERSE

Jonathan Rundman

REFRAIN

♩ = 100

Bm D A E Bm D A E

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia Lord, to whom shall we go

5 Bm D A E Bm D A E Bm

You have the words of e - ter - nal life Al - le - lu - ia

9 Bm D A E Bm D A E

Glo - ry to you glo - ry to you glo - ry to you oh Lord
Praise to you praise to you praise to you oh Christ

13 Bm D A E Bm D A E Bm

2nd Time to REFRAIN

Glo - ry to you glo - ry to you glo - ry to you oh Lord.
Praise to you praise to you praise to you oh Christ.

***GOSPEL** Matthew 22:1-14

The Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

***HYMN**

"Now We Join in Celebration"

#462



1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,



dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.



for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,



stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav' n - ly glad - ness.
seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

***PRAYERS**

P: Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*(After a brief silence...The **congregation** is invited to read aloud individually the prayer petitions as the spirit moves them. If more than one person reads the petition, all the better!)*

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land, that all followers of Christ share the mind of Christ and strive to live together in peace, staying firm in the Lord. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For green pastures and still waters and all the beauty of the natural world, that creation flourishes and humankind lives in right relationship with all you have made. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For the nations of the world and all who hold positions of authority, that they govern in accordance with God's vision of justice and care for all of creation. We especially pray for your spirit of peace in Europe and the Middle East. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For all experiencing valleys of illness and grief, and for all who are isolated and alone, especially Mary, that they be healed and comforted and find rest in the presence of the Good Shepherd who walks beside them. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

For this community of believers and for our partners at Bethany in Mauston, that wherever there is conflict or discord, the love of Christ may keep us united and make us mindful of all that is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, commendable, and excellent. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of love, watch over your servants that they may be faithful disciples of Jesus. Be with our confirmation students, especially Cole and Isaac as they seek to grow in their discipleship, and guide their families that together they may reflect your love and grace. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for the beloved saints who now rest in your mercy, that their faithful witness guides your church until the day we join them at your heavenly feast. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

P: Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

MISSION MOMENT

*GREAT THANKSGIVING/HOLY HOLY HOLY

intro to The Great Thanksgiving The Lord be with you. [C:] And also with you. [L:] Lift up your hearts. [C:] We

6 G D Em Bm7 G D
lift them to the Lord. [L:] Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. [C:] It is

9 Em Bm7 G D Em Bm7 G D
right to give God thanks and praise. [Proper Preface: repeat chord progression beneath prayer]

13 Holy Holy Holy
Em Bm7 G D Em Bm7 G D Em Bm7
[C:] Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, hea-ven and earth are

18 G D Em Bm7 G D G A D G
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

23 G A G D Em Bm7 G D Em Bm7
Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name

28 G D G A D G G A G D
of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.

It is indeed our right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

***LORD'S PRAYER** page 112 (in front of hymnal)

**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.**

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

HOLY COMMUNION *All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table. Younger children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.*

Both wine and grape juice is available – grape juice glasses are purple. Gluten free wafers are also available.

LAMB OF GOD

♩=100

Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world.

5 Have mer - cy, mer - cy on us

9 Lamb of God you take a - way the sin of the world.

13 Oh grant us peace, Lamb of God.

COMMUNION HYMN

"Come, Let Us Eat"

#491

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

*SENDING OF HOME COMMUNION

*BLESSING

The God of glory, Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

***HYMN**

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

#632



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad - ow of your throne your saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood or earth re - ceived its frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in your sight are like an eve - ning gone,



our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
suf - fi - cient is your arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
from ev - er - last - ing you are God, to end - less years the same.
short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home.

***DISMISSAL** (*Done from the back of the church*)

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

OUR SAVIOR'S WORSHIP TEAM

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CARD MINISTRY - Please be sure to sign the cards for this week's shut-ins. The cards are on the table by the Pre-K/K classroom.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP - A time for fellowship and treats between services on Sundays! Please sign up to bring treats or to serve what others have provided.

WORSHIP LEADERS

6 p.m.

Worship Assistant	Candace Drury
Communion Assistant	Judy Morzinski
Welcoming Team	Todd & Inger Michael

8 a.m.

Worship Assistant	Lily Muellenberg
Communion Assistant	Steve Ahles
Welcoming Team	_____

10:30 a.m.

Worship Assistant	Zander Clements
Reader	Dottie Baumgartner
Communion Assistant	Gillian Twite
Welcoming Team	Jeff & Melissa Haldeman
Home Communion	Ilene Pavelko
Altar Guild for October	Stacey Sjoquist/Tracy Skrentny

CONFIRMATION AFTER SCHOOL & CLASS

Wednesday, October 18

3:30 pm – After School
6 pm – 6 Confirm
6 pm - 7 Confirm
7 pm – 8 Confirm
7 pm – 9 Confirm

THIRD GRADE BIBLE WORKSHOP – Sunday, October 22 from 2-3:30 pm.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS – Spam, can chicken, Bushes beans, paper towel, tissue and dish soap.

HUNGRY JAR OFFERING FOR OCTOBER – LWR Quilt Shipping

Our ladies have been hard at work this past year creating more than 300 quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to all who donated supplies and to the kids who helped put 110 kits together.

The quilts and kits were taken to Good Shepherd in LaCrosse on October 14 to be loaded on the truck headed to Minneapolis and then shipped across the country and across the globe. Did you know that it costs \$2.25 to ship each quilt? And, \$1.40 to ship each school kit? The Hungry Jar offering for October will be used to help with the cost of shipping these items.



CHECK IT OUT...NEW LITURGY

We continue to learn "A Heartland Liturgy" by Jonathan Rundman during the month of October. **Join us as we try something new!**

Jonathan Rundman is a songwriter, performer, and recording artist. He is a leading voice in new Lutheran music, and was also a contributing author for *The Lutheran Handbook*. His songs have been used as programmatic theme music for regional and national Youth Gatherings. He is originally from Ishpeming MI (where Pastor Jon knew him as a high school student!).



COOKIES FOR LUMIN



Lutheran Campus Ministry of the LaCrosse Area Synod traditionally shares cookies in the square on the campus of UW-L every Wednesday during the school year. Congregations of the Synod are asked to sign up for a week to provide these cookies – 500 (42 dozen)!! We are signed up for November 1st. We are inviting members of the congregation to bake a batch (or two) of your favorite cookies, put them in plastic bags with a dozen in each bag, and bring them to church (there's a box in the Gathering Area) no later than Monday, October 30. We will make sure the cookies get down to campus. Please sign up to let us know how many you plan to bring.

SCRIP CARDS AVAILABLE

Help support Our Savior's Sugar Creek Bible Camp Camperships and World Hunger!

KWIK TRIP

WOODMAN'S



Culver's, Kwik Trip, Kwik Trip car wash, Woodman's, and Ship Shape car wash.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Pre-K to 3rd Grade

Wednesday, October 25
6-7 PM in the church fellowship hall

Games, activities, stories, candy ...
and yes, *even Jesus!*

Come in your costume – a “best costume contest” is part of the evening.
Parents are encouraged to join us!



Sponsored by the 8th and 9th grade confirmation class.



Norwegian Dinner

November 4

3:30-6:30 PM

It's coming – **the Norwegian Dinner is in the works!**

Carry out and dine in options.
Restaurant style – a plate will be brought to you.
Meatballs & fixings - \$16.00
Lutfisk, meatballs & fixings - \$20.00
No preorder of tickets.

To make this work ... ***we need your help!*** Sign-up in the
Gathering Area. Sign-up early to get your favorite job.

WE NEED YOU!
TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

Why sign up to help? To make a difference! Remember, all the profits go to
support ministries and programs that change people's lives – a great way to live out
your calling as a disciple of Jesus.

For more information see Lynette Ender.

Check out the Oct. newsletter (www.oursaviorswestsalem.org) to find out more.