

# AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

INVOCATION

*P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Congregation: Amen*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (pg. 56 LBW)

*P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Congregation: Amen.**

*P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Most merciful God,*

**ALL: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

*P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.*

**Congregation: Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

LBW #294 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

GREETING (pg. 57 LBW)

*P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C: And also with you.*

KYRIE (pgs. 57-58 LBW)

*P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: 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. C: Lord, have mercy. P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: Lord, have mercy. P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C: Amen*

HYMN OF PRAISE (pgs. 60-61 LBW)

**Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
whose blood set us free to be people of God. Refrain.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. Refrain. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Refrain.**

SALUTATION (pg. 62 LBW)

*P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you. P: Let us pray.*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**C: O God, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 3:8-15

Pew Bible pg. 3

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 130

*L: Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.*

**C: If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, O LORD, who could stand?**

*L: For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared.*

**C: I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope.**

*L: My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.*

**C: O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is mercy;**

*L: with him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.*

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Pew Bible pg.1210

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 62 LBW)

**Congregation Sings: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 3:20-35

*P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter. Congregation sings: Glory to you, O Lord.*

*P: The Gospel of the Lord. Congregation sings: Praise to you, O Christ. (Please be seated)*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

Rev. Jay Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY

**LBW #390 "I Love to Tell the Story"**  
**(Please rise as you are able)**

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 OF THE PEOPLE

*L: Lord, in Your mercy, C: hear our prayer.*

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

*P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. C: And also with you.*

## OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** (pg. 66 LBW) **(Please rise)** Congregation Sings: **Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** (pg. 67 LBW) *P: Merciful Father, C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING (pgs. 68-69 LBW)

*P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.*

*P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.*

*P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*P: It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**LAMB OF GOD** (pg. 72 LBW) Congregation Sings: **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**POST COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE & PRAYER** (pgs. 73 LBW) **(Please rise as you are able)** Congregation sings: **Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

## BENEDICTION

## CLOSING HYMN

**LBW #229 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"**

## DISMISSAL

*P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.*

## ORGAN POSTLUDE

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*The first humans hid from you, God, but you longed to walk with them in the cool evening  
(Genesis 3:8-9). May we eagerly walk with you, here in worship and all day long.*

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**NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Family of Sandra Ackerman      Family of Darrel Meuser

**CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Maddy & Leah Graves	Debbi Dietz	Carla Adkins	Kim Wyre
Jessica Hawn	Loretta Overholt	Jennifer Birkey	Earl Smith
Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser	Denny Doyle
William Benton	Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen
Mary Mallicoat	Bob & Jenny Hobby	Nick Shepherd	Joyce Keith
Bob Selby	Michael Markarian	Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival
Joyce Williamson			

**NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:**

Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Shorty Baugher	LouAnn Baugher
Mildred Flessner	Ruth Lutz	Ilene Ackerman	Genet Dixon
Janet Withers	Joan Mathis		

**MILITARY (Bolded names are known to be in an area of higher danger):**

Kelly Williamson	Jon Stiebner	Alex Short	Brandon Elrod
Kasey Fenimore	Brian Griswold	Levi Loschen	Ryan Falletti
Riley Falletti			

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<b>TABLE GUILD</b>	Sally Bauer, Midge Seim
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Liam Kaiser, Owen Schluter
<b>BULLETIN GREETERS</b>	Rod & Sandy Heiser
<b>GREETERS</b>	Justin Kaiser, DeAnn McMorris
<b>LECTOR</b>	Sean O'Donnell
<b>PRAYER LEADER</b>	Mary Edwards
<b>WORSHIP STEWARD</b>	Terry Doyle
<b>USHERS</b>	Judy Peck, Sam & Joyce Holland

**WELCOME** to worship and fellowship as the family of God this day. Your presence adds joy to our gathering!

**BROADCAST OF THE SERVICE TODAY** is provided in celebration of *Irene Galindo's* 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday on June 9<sup>th</sup> by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**FLOWERS TODAY** are provided by *Earl Smith* in memory of his wife, Roberta.

**VBS WEEK IS HERE!** The church is going to be full of sunshine and giggles from June 10-14<sup>th</sup>. We encourage church members to pop in as available to interact with the kids and join in the fun. It's guaranteed to be a good time. We will have a closing program this Friday evening, at 6:00 p.m. Please plan to come and see a recap of our week! We are also looking for several church members that would be willing to grill or serve food after the program to our VBS families. Please contact Kellie at 217-417-4015 if you are willing to come out and help! Thank you!

**BATHROOMS CLOSED** The men and women's bathrooms located right outside the Narthex are closed for a few weeks due to remodeling. Please use the bathroom in the back of the Narthex or the ones located in the Education wing.

**NO 50+ POTLUCK** this Tuesday due to VBS. It will be held again on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>.

**HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY** is a service provided to our ALC shut in members. We visit the homebound and serve them communion once a month. Our members include Terry Doyle, Tom & Mary Edwards and Rich & Shirley Friemel. For more information or comments please contact one of the members.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE** for the call of a pastor continues to be held in the Chapel at 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday evening. This time of prayer is devoted to all aspects related to the call of a pastor - praying for our call committee, congregation, Mission District Dean, the pastor (& family) to be called, and any other related needs as the call process continues. A time of fellowship with a light meal begins at 5:45 p.m. prior to the prayer service. All are invited and welcome to attend!

**USHERS NEEDED** We are still in need of more ushers! Please consider helping if you can! Call Shirley Friemel at 217-766-4111 to volunteer or with any questions.

**SHEETS NEEDED** The Quilting group is still in need of cotton sheets (flat only). These are used for liners in the quilts. Donations may be brought to the church office.

**FUNERAL MEALS** We are still collecting names of those who would like to be on the list of people that are called to provide salads and desserts for funeral meals. Please call Nikki in the church office if you would like your name added to our list.

**CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION** If you are a baptized believer, trusting that the life giving and sustaining power and presence of Christ is truly present in bread and wine, we welcome you to the Lord's table. Children who commune in their home congregations are welcome to commune; those who are not currently communing at the Lord's table are invited to come forward for a blessing keeping their hands to their sides. The center of each tray holds light colored, non-alcoholic juice for those with special circumstances. \*\*\*Gluten-free wafers are available upon request for those with allergies.

**ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 133

## **JUNE PULPIT SCHEDULE**

June 16<sup>th</sup> – Pr. Jim Lehmann (Communion)

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Pr. Carl Rasmussen (Communion) June 30<sup>th</sup> – Sean O'Donnell

**BROADCAST/FLOWER CHART** If you would like to sponsor the weekly radio broadcast on WPXN, the cost is \$50. To provide flowers for Sunday, the cost is \$25. Please sign up on the appropriate chart outside the Narthex then notify the church office the details to print in the bulletin prior to that date.

## **NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 1; 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 (11-17); Mark 4:26-34

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## **THIS WEEK**

### **Sunday, June 9**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

### **Monday, June 10**

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

12:30 p.m. Quilting

### **Tuesday, June 11**

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

### **Wednesday, June 12**

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

### **Thursday, June 13**

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

9:00 a.m. NO Bible Study

### **Friday, June 14**

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

6:00 p.m. VBS Closing Program & Meal

### **Sunday, June 16**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School & Women's Bible Study

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**Radio Broadcast Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m. on WPXN 104.9FM**

## **Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Third Sunday after Pentecost**

*June 9, 2024 – June 15, 2024*

*Prayer: Lord God, Heavenly Father, the strength of those who hope in you: Be present and hear our prayers; and, because in the weakness of our mortal nature we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, so that in keeping your Commandments we may please you in will and deed; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen*

### **Daily Lessons:**

Sunday	Joshua 13:1-33	Psalm 19	Luke 13:1-17
Monday	Joshua 14:1-15:12	Psalm 20	Luke 13:18-30
Tuesday	Joshua 15:13-63	Psalm 21	Luke 13:31-35
Wednesday	Joshua 16:1-17:18	Psalm 22	Luke 14:1-11
Thursday	Joshua 18:1-28	Psalm 23	Luke 14:12-24
Friday	Joshua 19:1-31	Psalm 24	Luke 14:25-35
Saturday	Joshua 19:32-20:9	Psalm 25	Luke 15:1-10

**Morning Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all danger and harm. We ask you to preserve and keep us, this day also, from all sin and evil, that in all our thoughts, words, and deeds we may serve and please you. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen

**Mid-Day Prayer** Gracious Jesus, our Lord and our God, at this hour you bore our sins in your own body on the tree so that we, being dead to sin, might live unto righteousness. Have mercy upon us now and at the hour of our death, and grant to us, your servants, with all others who devoutly remember your blessed Passion, a holy and peaceful life in this world and, through your grace, eternal glory in the life to come; where, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, God forever. Amen

**Evening Prayer** We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have this day so graciously protected us. We beg you to forgive us all our sins and the wrong which we have done. By your great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night. Into your hands we commend our bodies and souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels have charge of us, that the wicked one have no power over us. Amen