

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 6, 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. C: 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 #364 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

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: Our Lord Jesus, you have endured the doubts and foolish questions of every generation. Forgive us for trying to be judge over you, and grant us the confident faith to acknowledge you as Lord. AMEN

FIRST LESSON: Genesis 2:18-25

Pew Bible pg. 3

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 128

L: Happy are they all who fear the LORD, and who follow in his ways!

C: You shall eat the fruit of your labor; happiness and prosperity shall be yours.

L: Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, your children like olive shoots round about your table.

C: The man who fears the LORD shall thus indeed be blessed.

L: The LORD bless you from Zion, and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

C: May you live to see your children's children; may peace be upon Israel.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 2:1-18

Pew Bible pg. 1254

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 10:2-16

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark the 10th 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

“The Gift of Family”

Pastor Carl Rasmussen

HYMN OF THE DAY

LBW #287 “O Perfect Love”

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic 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.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & 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

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LBW #231 "O Word of God Incarnate"

LBW #235 "Break Now the Bread of Life"

LBW #204 "Cup of Blessing That We Share"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING, CANTICLE & PRAYER (pgs. 72 LBW) (Please rise as you are able) **Congregation sings: Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev'ryone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

LBW #561 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

DISMISSAL

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

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*“Lord, I love the house where you live, the place where your glory dwells”
(Psalm 26:8, NIV). Open my heart to receive your word for me this day.”*

NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:

Denny Doyle Pastor Barb Busboom
Aaron & Kristin Dawson Family of Mike Petersak

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Rodney Larkin	Rich Friemel	Tyler Edwards	Geraldine Gorecki
Lee Briggs	Debbi Dietz	Carla Adkins	Kim Wyre
Jessica Hawn	Loretta Overholt	Jennifer Birkey	Earl Smith
Cindy Williams	Gabbi Reynolds	Ben Moser	William Benton
Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat
Bob & Jenny Hobby	Nick Shepherd	Michael Markarian	Joyce Keith
Bob Selby	Merrill Wattjes	Joan Percival	Joyce Williamson

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING:

Keith Dohleman	Rita Buenting	Ruth Lutz	Janet Withers
Joan Mathis	Genet Dixon	Shorty Baugher	

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

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

TABLE GUILD

ACOLYTES

BULLETIN GREETERS

GREETERS

LECTOR

PRAYER LEADER

WORSHIP STEWARD

USHERS

Sally Bauer, Emily Deal
Peyton Cox, Aubrie Albers
Mary Peters, Emily Deal
Earl Smith, Lindalou Hauersperger
Sally Bauer
Jim Cheek
Richard Peavler
Terry Doyle, Rod & Sandy Heiser

WELCOME “You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, ...God’s special possession.” Welcome to worship, where we are invited to “declare the praises of him who called [us] out of darkness into his wonderful light” (1 Peter 2:9, NIV).

SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS TODAY immediately following the Worship Service.

PRESCHOOL T-SHIRT/SWEATSHIRT ORDERS are due this Monday, October 7th. Order forms and money can be placed in the offering plate or taken to the church or preschool office by 9:30 a.m. tomorrow morning.

DISASTER RELIEF WORKDAY is scheduled for this Wednesday, October 9th, at 10:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Flatville. Volunteers are needed to help assemble flood buckets to send to areas affected by Hurricane Helene. Please contact Terry Doyle as soon as you can to let her know if you are available to help on this day. She will also need help transferring supplies between churches. Please help if you can!

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER SERVICE & MEAL will be held this week with our time of fellowship and meal at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Room then move to the Martin Luther Room at 6:30 p.m. for our time of prayer. 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. All are invited and welcome to attend!

GREAT RIVERS MISSION DISTRICT CONVOCATION will be held on Saturday, October 19th, at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Danforth, IL. The keynote speaker is Pastor David Hefner from the Carolina’s Mission Region. He will be discussing for us the importance of an active PCAT (Pastoral Care & Transition Team) and give us some food for thought on how to begin forming a PCAT here in the GRMD. Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. The convocation will start at 9:30 a.m. To help plan for lunch, please call our church office at (217)893-4550 by 9:00 a.m. this Monday, October 7th, if you plan to attend.

50+ POTLUCK will NOT be held this month. They will resume meeting on Tuesday, November 12th, at 11:30 a.m. in the Youth Hall.

TABLE GUILD MEETING CHANGE The Table Guild Meeting originally scheduled for Saturday, October 19th, will now take place on Saturday, October 26th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Main Sanctuary. If you are already a part of Table Guild or would like to become a part of Table Guild, please plan to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend but would still like to be a part of this group, please talk to Sheila Sherman.

EDEN PARK CEMETERY All decorations you wish to save must be removed from Eden Park Cemetery by October 15th or the caretaker will remove them. After October 22nd, you may replace decorations on the graves.

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.

UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE:

October 13th – Neal White

October 20th – Pr. Jay Johnson (Communion)

October 27th – Pr. Jim Lehmann (Communion)

ATTENDANCE FROM LAST WEEK:

9:00 a.m. Worship Service – 117

ATTENTION WORSHIP ASSISTANTS If you are unable to fulfill your worship assistant job on a particular Sunday, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Once a replacement is found, please contact the church office and let Nikki know of the change for the bulletin. Also, when you arrive on Sunday morning, please check-in with the worship steward that day and let them know you are there.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 3:12-19; Mark 10:17-22

THIS WEEK**Sunday, October 6**

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

Monday, October 7

12:30 p.m. Quilting

Tuesday, October 8

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, October 9

10:00 a.m. Disaster Relief Workday-Flatville

1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study

5:30 p.m. High School Youth Group

5:30 p.m. Confirmation

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

Thursday, October 10

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 13

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

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

High School Youth Group

**Starts
Wednesday
October 9th**

**Meet
in the
Youth
Hall**

**Calling all
9th-12th graders
to join us for Youth Group!**

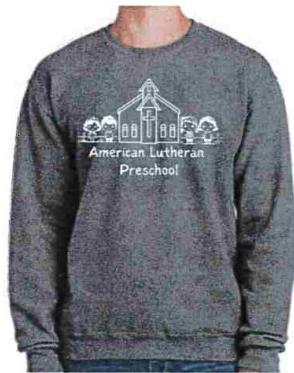
**Dinner at 5:30
Bible Study 6:00-7:30**

If you have any questions, please contact Stacey Albers or Kellie Schluter

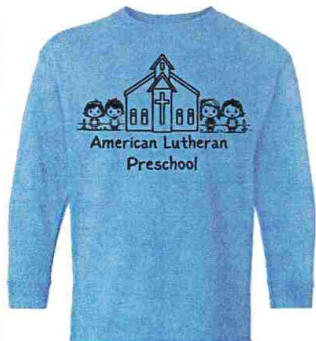
American Lutheran PreSchool Order Sheets



\$15 SOFTSTYLE T-SHIRT COLOR AND
SIZE(S):



\$25 CREW NECK SWEATSHIRT, COLOR AND
SIZE(S):



\$18 CREW NECK T SHIRT LONG SLEEVE,
COLOR AND SIZE(S) YS-A3XL:

ALL SHIRTS COME IN YOUTH AND ADULT
SIZES YS TO ADULT 4XL (2XL - 4XL IS AN
ADDITIONAL \$2

ORDERS AND MONEY DUE BY OCTOBER 7

Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 2024 – October 12, 2024

Prayer: Our Father in Heaven, you have endured the doubts and the foolish questions of every generation. Forgive us for trying to be judge over you and grant us the confidence to confess you as our Lord and master; through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Daily Lessons:

Sunday	2 Kings 19:1-37	Psalms 119:153-160	Acts 4:32-37
Monday	2 Kings 20:1-21	Psalms 119:161-168	Acts 5:1-11
Tuesday	2 Kings 21:1-26	Psalms 119:169-176	Acts 5:12-21a
Wednesday	2 Kings 22:1-20	Psalms 120	Acts 5:21b-32
Thursday	2 Kings 23:1-37	Psalms 121	Acts 5:33-42
Friday	2 Kings 24:1-20	Psalms 122	Acts 6:1-15
Saturday	2 Kings 25:1-30	Psalms 123	Acts 7:1-16

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