

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 29, 2024

Service of the Word (WOV pg. 46-53)

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/WELCOME

OPENING HYMN

WOV #725 "Blessed Be the God of Israel"

GREETING

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

L: You are the treasured people of the Lord,

C: a people holy to the Lord our God.

L: Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.

C: Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.

L: One does not live by bread alone,

C: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

CANTICLE (pg. 47 WOV)

Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.

Great and wonderful are your deeds, O God of the universe; just and true are your ways, O Ruler of all the nations. Who can fail to honor you, Lord, and sing the glory of your name?

Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.

For you alone are the Holy One. All nations will draw near and worship before you, for your just and holy works have been revealed.

Refrain: Salvation belongs to our God and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.

SALUTATION

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: God of love, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them; keep us from those things that harm us; and guide us in the way of salvation; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

FIRST LESSON: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

Pew Bible pg. 151

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 104:27-35

L: There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

C: All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

L: You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

C: You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

L: You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

C: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in all his works.

L: He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

C: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

L: May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the LORD.

SECOND LESSON: James 5:13-20

Pew Bible pg. 1269

After the reading: *Lector says: The word of the Lord.* **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (pg. 48 WOV)

(Please rise as you are able)

C: Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you! Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the Scriptures. Word of life, Jesus Christ, all glory to you! Word of life, Jesus Christ, all praise to you!

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 9:38-50

(Before reading) L: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

(After reading) L: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.** (Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Neal White

HYMN OF THE DAY

WOV #778 "O Christ the Same"
(Please rise as you are able)

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

L: In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

C: We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.

L: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C: 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

L: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith; C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

L: Keep yourselves in the love of God

C: look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

L: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

C: Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!

L: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

L: Gracious God, **C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

L: The almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins.

C: Amen

SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (Please rise) Congregation Sings: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Let us pray. God, our Creator, **C: you open wide your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature. With these gifts we bless you for your tender nurture and care. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

L: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen**

SENDING HYMN

LBW #259 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

DISMISSAL

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

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*“Lord, the psalmist says your law revives the soul and rejoices the heart (Psalm 19:7-8).
Feed and water my heart with your good law today,
that I may flourish with love for you and all people. Amen.”*

NEWEST PRAYER CONCERNS:

Aaron & Kristin Dawson
Rodney Larkin Shorty Baugher Family of Martha Bruns
Family of Mike Petersak (husband/Janine Fruhling-Petersak)

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

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	Denny Doyle	William Benton
Steve Ritchie	Marla Osterbur	Sharon Lohen	Mary Mallicoat
Nick Shepherd	Bob & Jenny Hobby	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		

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	Lloyd Schluter, Terri Kirby
ACOLYTES	Carson McClain, Connor Suits
BULLETIN GREETERS	Marcie & Pierce Rodgers
GREETERS	David Hulse, Donna Hustedt
LECTOR	Aubrie Albers
PRAYER LEADER	Joyce Holland
WORSHIP STEWARD	DeAnn McMorris
USHERS	Katie Holland, Jack & Brenda Spitz

WELCOME TO WORSHIP God has gathered us here out of all different circumstances. Whether you carry joy or heaviness in your heart, we encourage you to lay it at the feet of Jesus. Give your whole self to God in worship. Welcome!

FLOWERS TODAY are provided by *Sean & Tracy O'Donnell* in celebration of their 9th Wedding Anniversary on October 3rd.

YOUTH HALL FLOORING PROJECT is still in progress. Please avoid this area until the new floor is completed.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTING DELAYED Due to the flooring project, the Children's Sunday School year will not start until next Sunday, October 6th.

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!

PRESCHOOL T-SHIRTS/SWEATSHIRTS now available to order. Please check out the bulletin insert. Order forms and money can be placed in the offering plate or taken to the church or preschool office.

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. on Monday, October 7th, if you plan to attend.

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.

TABLE GUILD MEETING will take place on Saturday, October 19th, 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.

UPCOMING PULPIT SCHEDULE:

October 6th – Pr. Carl Rasmussen (Communion)

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 – 121

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.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for the fourth quarter (October-December) are available to pick up in the Narthex and outside the church office.

STUDENT CLOTHING DONATIONS We are again partnering with Northview Grade School collecting gently used clothing, and new socks, underwear and shoes for children ages K - 5th Grade (size 5T to Men's & Women's size small). A donation tub is in the Narthex.

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 2:18-25; Psalm 128; Hebrews 2:1-18; Mark 10:2-16

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 29

9:00 a.m. Worship Service

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

Monday, September 30

12:30 p.m. Quilting

Tuesday, October 1

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, October 2

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

5:30 p.m. Confirmation

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

Thursday, October 3

9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Sunday, October 6

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

Daily Prayers & Lessons – Week of the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels

September 29, 2024 – October 5, 2024

Prayer: Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; 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 11:1-12:21	Psalm 119:97-104	Acts 2:14-28
Monday	2 Kings 13:1-25	Psalm 119:105-112	Acts 2:29-47
Tuesday	2 Kings 14:1-29	Psalm 119:113-120	Acts 3:1-10
Wednesday	2 Kings 15:1-38	Psalm 119:121-128	Acts 3:11-26
Thursday	2 Kings 16:1-20	Psalm 119:129-136	Acts 4:1-12
Friday	2 Kings 17:1-41	Psalm 119:137-144	Acts 4:13-22
Saturday	2 Kings 18:1-37	Psalm 119:145-152	Acts 4:23-31

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

High School Youth Group

Starts
Wednesday
October 9th

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

Meet
in the
Youth
Hall

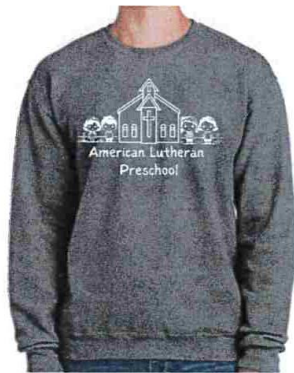
Dinner at 5:30
Bible Study 6:00-7:30

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

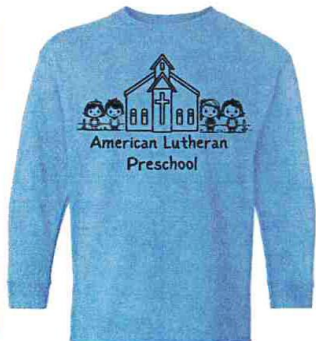
American Lutheran PreSchool Order Sheets



\$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