

*Faith Lutheran Church*



I CAN DO ALL

THINGS

THROUGH

HIM

WHO

STRENGTHENS

ME.

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PHILIPPIANS 4:13

*Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2020*

# WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

# TODAY'S SERVICE

November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

Liturgy: Setting Two, WS page 12

**Speaker:**

Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:**

Ann Sprengeler

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# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 95*

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. <sup>3</sup> For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods. <sup>4</sup> In His hand *are* the deep places of the earth; The heights of the hills *are* His also. <sup>5</sup> The sea *is* His, for He made it; And His hands formed the dry *land*. <sup>6</sup> Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. <sup>7</sup> For He *is* our God, And we *are* the people of His pasture, And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His voice: <sup>8</sup> "Do not harden your hearts, as in the rebellion, As *in* the day of trial in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup> When your fathers tested Me; They tried Me, though they saw My work. <sup>10</sup> For forty years I was grieved with *that* generation, And said, 'It is a people who go astray in their hearts, And they do not know My ways.' <sup>11</sup> So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest.'"

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

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## #609 - "Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying"

by Philipp Nicolai, 1556-1608

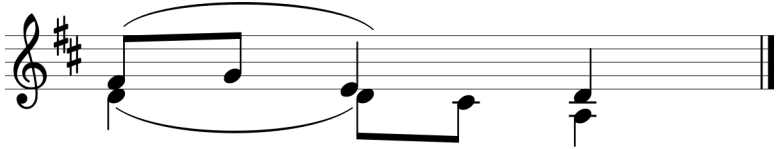
1. "Wake, awake, for night is flying,"  
The watchmen on the heights are crying;  
"Awake, Jerusalem, arise!"  
Midnight hears the welcome voices  
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:  
"Oh, where are ye, ye virgins wise?  
The Bridegroom comes, awake!  
Your lamps with gladness take!  
Hallelujah! With bridal care Yourself prepare  
To meet the Bridegroom, who is near."
2. Zion hears the watchmen singing,  
And all her heart with joy is springing,

She wakes, she rises from her gloom;  
For her Lord comes down all-glorious,  
The strong in grace, in truth victorious,  
Her Star is ris'n, her Light is come.  
"Now come, Thou Blessed One,  
Lord Jesus, God's own Son,  
Hail! Hosanna! The joyful call We answer all  
And follow to the nuptial hall."

3. Now let all the heav'ns adore Thee,  
Let men and angels sing before Thee,  
With harp and cymbal's clearest tone.  
Of one pearl each shining portal,  
Where, dwelling with the choir immortal,  
We gather round Thy radiant throne.  
No vision ever brought,  
No ear hath ever caught,  
Such great glory; Therefore will we Eternally  
Sing hymns of praise and joy to Thee.

# INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



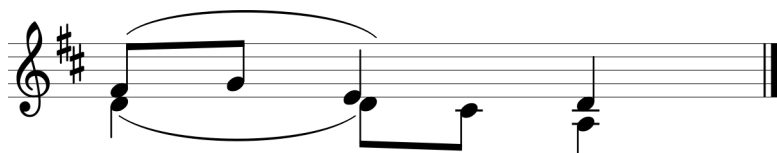
c A - men.

# CONFESSION OF SINS

p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

p God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.



c A - men.



Lord, have, mer - cy on us.



Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.



c  
 Glo - ry to God, we  
 Lord Je - sus Christ, the  
 A - lone, O Christ, You



give You thanks and praise; Of heav'n - ly  
 Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You bore for  
 on - ly are the Lord, At God's right



joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor-ship  
 us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of  
 hand in maj-es - ty most high: Who, with the



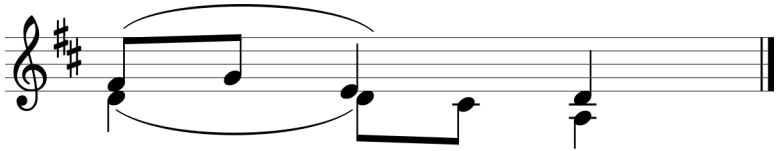
You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al-  
 God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our  
 Spir - it worshiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King  
 prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
 heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.



p Let us pray . . . Eternal God, merciful Father, You have anointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world: through Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



c A - men.

## THE WORD

**Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24** <sup>11</sup> 'For thus says the Lord GOD:  
"Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them  
out. <sup>12</sup> "As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is  
among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and  
deliver them from all the places where they were scattered  
on a cloudy and dark day. <sup>13</sup> "And I will bring them out  
from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and  
will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the  
mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited  
places of the country. <sup>14</sup> "I will feed them in good pasture,  
and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel.  
There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich  
pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> "I will feed My  
flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord GOD.  
<sup>16</sup> "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was  
driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was  
sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed  
them in judgment." . . . <sup>20</sup> 'Therefore thus says the Lord  
GOD to them: "Behold, I Myself will judge between the  
fat and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> "Because you have pushed with

side and shoulder, butted all the weak ones with your horns, and scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup> "therefore I will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup> "I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them-- My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> "And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

**Matthew 25:31-46** <sup>31</sup> "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. <sup>32</sup> "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> "And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup> "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: <sup>35</sup> 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; <sup>36</sup> 'I *was* naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

<sup>37</sup> "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? <sup>38</sup> 'When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? <sup>39</sup> 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' <sup>40</sup> "And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.' <sup>41</sup> "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: <sup>42</sup> 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; <sup>43</sup> 'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' <sup>44</sup> "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' <sup>45</sup> "Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do *it* to one of the least of these, you did not do *it* to Me.' <sup>46</sup> "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



c Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may believe that



Je-sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

# THE 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.

# CHRIST BE MY LEADER

CW 367 - MFH 92

Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926



1. Christ be my lead-er by night as by day,
2. Christ be my teach-er in age as in youth,
3. Christ be my Sav-ior in calm as in strife;



Safe through the dark-ness, for he is the way.  
Drift - ing or doubt-ing, for he is the truth.  
Death can - not hold me, for he is the life. Nor



Glad - ly I fol - low, my fu-ture his care;  
Grant me to trust him, though shift-ing as sand.  
dark-ness nor doubt-ing nor sin and its stain Can



Dark-ness is daylight when Je-sus is there.  
Doubt can-not daunt me in Je-sus I stand!  
touch my sal - va - tion with Je-sus I reign!

# SERMON

**Philippians 4:8-23** <sup>8</sup> Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy-- meditate on these things. <sup>9</sup> The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you. <sup>10</sup> But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity. <sup>11</sup> Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: <sup>12</sup> I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. <sup>14</sup> Nevertheless you have done well that you shared in my distress. <sup>15</sup> Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. <sup>16</sup> For even in



Thessalonica you sent *aid* once and again for my necessities. <sup>17</sup> Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account. <sup>18</sup> Indeed I have all and abound. I am full, having received from Epaphroditus the things *sent* from you, a sweet-smelling aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. <sup>20</sup> Now to our God and Father *be* glory forever and ever. Amen. <sup>21</sup> Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you. <sup>22</sup> All the saints greet you, but especially those who are of Caesar's household. <sup>23</sup> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

## **WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH ALL THE USELESS BLESSINGS CHRIST HAS GIVEN US?**

Oppurtunity - Contentment - Faith



c Create in me a clean heart, O God, and re-



new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a-



way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly



Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal-



va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir-it free.

# PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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.

## THE BENEDICTION

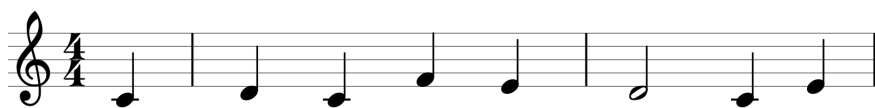
p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



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

# Jerusalem the Golden

CW 214 - Bernard of Cluny, 12th Century



Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With  
They stand, those halls of Zi - on, All  
There is the throne of Da - vid, And  
Oh, sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The



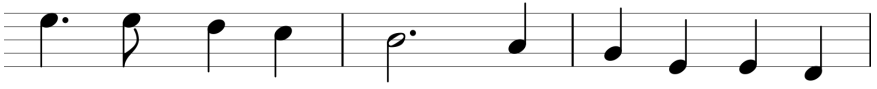
milk and hon - ey blest The sight of it re -  
ju - bi - lant with song And bright with man - y an  
there, from care re - leased, The shout of them that  
home of God's e - lect! Oh, sweet and bless - ed



fresh - es The wea - ry and op - pressed. I  
an - gel and all the mar - tyr throng. The  
tri - umph, The song of them that feast; And  
coun - try That ea - ger hearts ex - pect! Je -



know not, oh, I know not What  
Prince is ev - er in them; the  
they who with their lead - er Have  
sus, in mer - cy bring us To



joys a - wait us there, What ra-dian-cy of  
day-light is se - rene; The pastures of the  
con-quered in the fight For - ev - er and for -  
that dear land of rest; You are with God the



glo - ry, What bliss be - yond com - pare.  
bless - ed Are ev - er rich and green.  
ev - er Are clad in robes of white.  
Fa - ther And Spir - it ev - er blest.

# SERMON WORKSHEET—PHILIPPIANS 4:8-23

## Introduction

What two things give us perspective on how to use God's blessings?

## Part One, verses 10,14-16

Paul gives us another reason to rejoice even in suffering. What is it?

Finish this sentence: the more God bless us the more we are able to . . .

## Part Two, verses 11,12,18

Learning contentment brings what to our life?

Learning contentment gives us time for what?

## Part Three, verses 13,19

What kind of things was Paul speaking about when he said “I can do **all things** through Christ?”

What condition is attached to God’s promise in verse 19?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday, November 22**

8:30 am Worship Service  
9:30 am Christmas Eve Practice  
9:30 am Bible Class  
10:30 am Worship Service

**Thursday, November 26**

10am Thanksgiving Service

**Sunday, November 29**

8:30 am Communion Service  
9:30 am Christmas Eve Practice  
9:30 am Bible Class  
10:30 am Communion Service

## UPCOMING

November 26 - 10am Thanksgiving Service

December 2 - 7pm Advent Service

December 5 - 9am Decorating

December 24 - 6:30 pm Christmas Eve Program

December 24 - 8:15pm Christmas Eve Song Service

December 25 - 10am Christmas Day Service

December 31 - 7pm New Year's Eve Service

## USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Bob Kirst, Kent Quade,  
Tyler Denson, Kevin Ward

## USHERS FOR DECEMBER,

**Sundays and Christmas Eve :**

Russ Brown, Mike Dumke,  
Adam Frederick, Blaine Kempenaar

**Advent, Christmas Day,  
New Year's Eve:**

Bob McElroy, Kent Quade,  
Randy Strelow, Geoffrey Ward

## FRUITS OF FAITH

**11/15/2020**

General \$ 4,855

Missions \$ 55

Memorial:

\$100 - Herman and Irene Dumke

**11/8/2020**

General \$3,110

Missions \$395

Memorial:

\$100 - Herman and Irene Dumke

\$100 - Pastor and Lois Albrecht

\$100 - Jean Dolgne, Building Fund



## **ATTENDANCE**

**11/15/2020**

Sunday Service - 45

Second Service - 11

**11/08/2020**

Sunday Service - 50

Second Service - 8

Pastor Michael Gurath, Holy Cross, Phoenix, AZ has been called by Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY.

Teacher Matt Thurow, Berea, Inver Grove Heights, MN has been called to teach grades 4-8 and serve as principal for Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC.

## **COUNTERS**

This Week: Team # 3

DeLynn Dumke, Roy Draheim

Next Week: Team #4

DeLGreg Jones, Jim Kok

## **CALL NEWS**

Pastor Nathanael Mayhew, Grace, Sleepy Eye & Faith, New Ulm, MN has returned the call extended to him by Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN.

Faith Lutheran, Markesan, WI has called Quinn Sprengeler, Redemption, WA to be their upper grade teacher/principal.

Pastor Aaron Ude, Good Shepherd Rapid, City SD has returned the call to Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY.







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