



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 16th, 2018

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

Speakers:

Pastor Matthew Ude

Organists:

Barry Hay & Ann Sprengeler

Liturgy:

Common Service

large print bulletins available, ask the ushers
Services are streamed live to the TV in the kitchen (channel 4).

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 116:1-9

I love the LORD, because He has heard My voice and my supplications. Because He has inclined His ear to me, Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live. The pains of death surrounded me, And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me; I found trouble and sorrow. Then I called upon the name of the LORD: “O LORD, I implore You, deliver my soul!” Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; Yes, our God is merciful. The LORD preserves the simple; I was brought low, and He saved me. Return to your rest, O my soul, For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you. For You have delivered my soul from death, My eyes from tears, And my feet from falling. I will walk before the LORD In the land of the living.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Hymn 239 — Come, Thou Almighty King

INVOCATION

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

C  A-men.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true
heart and confess our sins to God our Father,
asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to grant us forgiveness.

C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

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

P God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C  A-men.

P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C  Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise You, we bless You, we

worship You, we glorify You, we give thanks to You, for Your great glory, O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For You only are holy; You only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

C  And also with you.

P Let us pray . . . Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C  A-men.

THE WORD

Isaiah 50:4-10 “The Lord GOD has given Me The tongue of the learned, That I should know how to speak A word in season to him who is weary. He awakens Me morning by morning, He awakens My ear To hear as the learned.
5 The Lord GOD has opened My ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn away. 6 I gave My back to those who struck Me, And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard; I did not hide My face from shame and spitting.
7 “For the Lord GOD will help Me; Therefore I will not be disgraced; Therefore I have set My face like a flint, And I know that I will not be ashamed. 8 He is near who justifies Me; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near Me.
9 Surely the Lord GOD will help Me; Who is he who will condemn Me? Indeed they will all grow old like a garment; The moth will eat them up. 10 “Who among you fears the LORD? Who obeys the voice of His Servant? Who walks in darkness And has no light? Let him trust in the name of the LORD And rely upon his God.

Mark 9:14-29 And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. 15 Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him. 16 And He asked the scribes, “What are you discussing with them?” 17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 18 “And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.” 19 He answered him and said, “O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me.” 20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. 21 So He asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. 22 “And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” 23 Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.” 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe;

help my unbelief!” 25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!” 26 Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, “He is dead.” 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. 28 And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” 29 So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.”

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

C  Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All 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.

Hymn 344 — Come, Let Us Join Our Cheerful Songs

SERMON

Ephesians 5:22-33 Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23 For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24 Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify

and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

The Mystery of Christ Revealed in Your Marriage

Marriage is an earthly sacrament in which Christ gives earthly blessings. Marriage is also a parable to remind us daily of Christ and the Church. As Christ sacrificed himself in order to sanctify the church, so also each spouse ought to sacrifice in order to sanctify the other.

C  Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with Your free Spirit.

Hymn 342 — Chief of Sinners Thou I Be

OFFERING AND OFFERING HYMN: 788 VI

C  Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

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.

Hymn 50 — Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

Announcements

THIS WEEK

Sunday 9/16

9am Worship Service
10am Sunday School
10:15am Bible Class
5pm Faith Alive

Tuesday 9/18

3:30pm Women of Faith

Wednesday 9/19

4:15pm Confirmation Class

Thursday 9/20

10:30am Bible Class

Sunday 9/23

9am Worship Service
10am Sunday School
10:15am Bible Class

UPCOMING

Oct 12 – 14 Man Up Weekend
Nov 2 7am Churches of Milwaukee Tour

ENVELOPE COMMITTEE

This Week:

Team #5: Mark Kempenaar, Jim Kok

Next Week:

Team #6: Tim Gabrielski, David Draeger

SEPTEMBER USHERS

Randy Strelow, Bob Kirst, Jack Bremer,
Dean Bremer

FRUITS OF FAITH

Attendance: 79

COUNCIL MEETING

Security Grant was discussed. Proposed placement of security cameras can be seen on map on bulletin board.

Washing machine was purchased for parsonage.

Thanks to everyone who helped out on the church work day. A lot of work was done on the teacherage, church and parsonage.

Financial reports posted on bulletin board.

The council will be recommending a raise for the pastor at the October voters' meeting.

MAN UP WEEKEND

October 12 – 14th, a poster with more information is hanging in the hallway.

CALL NEWS

Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN, has called the Rev. James Albrecht, pastor of St. John's Lutheran, Okabena MN.

Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has called the Rev. David Schaller, pastor of Redeemer Lutheran, Sister Lakes MI, and Rock of Ages Lutheran, Byron Center MI.

The Rev. Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ, has returned the call to Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN.

Resurrection Lutheran, Calgary, Alberta Canada, has called the Rev. Douglas Priestap to serve as their pastor on a part-time basis to be shared with his present charge, Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL.



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