

*I will gather all nations
to My holy mountain*

Isaiah 66:18,20



FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
AUGUST 21ST, 2022

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

August 21st, 2022

Speaker:

Jonah Albrecht

Organist:

Lila Brown

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 50

The Mighty One, God the LORD, Has spoken and called the earth From the rising of the sun to its going down. ² Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God will shine forth. ³ Our God shall come, and shall not keep silent; A fire shall devour before Him, And it shall be very tempestuous all around Him. ⁴ He shall call to the heavens from above, And to the earth, that He may judge His people: ⁵ "Gather My saints together to Me, Those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice." ⁶ Let the heavens declare His righteousness, For God Himself is Judge. Selah ⁷ "Hear, O My people, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you; I *am* God, your God! ⁸ I will not rebuke you for your sacrifices Or your burnt offerings, *Which are* continually before Me. ⁹ I will not take a bull from your house, *Nor* goats out of your folds. ¹⁰ For every beast of the forest is Mine, *And* the cattle on a thousand hills. ¹¹ I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine. ¹² "If I were hungry, I would not tell you; For the world is Mine, and all its fullness. ¹³ Will I eat the flesh of bulls, Or drink the blood of goats? ¹⁴ Offer to God thanksgiving, And pay your vows to the Most High. ¹⁵ Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#279 "Today Thy Mercy Calls Us"

by Oswald Allen, 1816-1878

1. Today Thy mercy calls us
To wash away our sin.
However great our trespass,
Whatever we have been,
However long from mercy
Our hearts have turned away,
Thy precious blood can cleanse us
And make us white today.

2. Today Thy gate is open,
And all who enter in
Shall find a Father's welcome
And pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten,

A present joy be given,
A future grace be promised,
A glorious crown in heaven.

3. Today our Father calls us,
His Holy Spirit waits;
His blessed angels gather
Around the heavenly gates.
No question will be asked us
How often we have come;
Although we oft have wandered,
It is our Father's home.

4. o all-embracing Mercy,
o ever-open Door,
What should we do without Thee
When heart and eye run o'er?
When all things seem against us,
To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open,
One ear will hear our prayer.

INVOCATION

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

CONFESSION OF SINS

p God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

c **If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanses us from all sin.**

p If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

c **If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

all **Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive**

us for Jesus sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen

p Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

c **Glory be 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**

PRAYER

p Let us pray . . . Oh Lord, You called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son , Jesus Christ , who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

Hebrews 12:4-24 ⁴ You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin. ⁵ And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: "My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; ⁶ For whom the LORD loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives." ⁷ If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? ⁸ But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. ⁹ Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid *them* respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰ For they indeed for a few days chastened *us* as seemed *best* to them, but He for *our* profit, that *we* may be partakers of His holiness. ¹¹ Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it. ¹² Therefore strengthen the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees, ¹³ and

make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed. ¹⁴ Pursue peace with all *people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord: ¹⁵ looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled; ¹⁶ lest there *be* any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright. ¹⁷ For you know that afterward, when he wanted to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought it diligently with tears. ¹⁸ For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard *it* begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore. ²⁰ (For they could not endure what was commanded: "And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow." ²¹ And so terrifying was the sight *that* Moses said, "I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.") ²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, ²³ to the general assembly and church of the

firstborn *who are* registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, ²⁴ to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than *that of* Abel.

Luke 13:22-30 ²² And He went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³ Then one said to Him, "Lord, are there few who are saved?" And He said to them, ²⁴ "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ "When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' ²⁶ "then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' ²⁷ "But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.' ²⁸ "There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out. ²⁹ "They will come from the east and the west, from the north and

the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. ³⁰ "And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last."

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.

#156 "Not All the Blood of Beasts"

by Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

1. Not all the blood of beasts

On Jewish altars slain

Could give the guilty conscience peace

Or wash away the stain.

2. But Christ, the heavenly Lamb,

Takes all our sins away;

A sacrifice of nobler name

And richer blood than they.

4. My soul looks back to see

The burden Thou didst bear

When hanging on the cursed tree

And knows her guilt was there.

5. Believing, we rejoice
To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice
And sing His bleeding love.

SERMON

Isaiah 66:18-23 ¹⁸ "For I *know* their works and their thoughts. It shall be that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come and see My glory. ¹⁹ "I will set a sign among them; and those among them who escape I will send to the nations: *to* Tarshish and Pul and Lud, who draw the bow, and Tubal and Javan, *to* the coastlands afar off who have not heard My fame nor seen My glory. And they shall declare My glory among the Gentiles. ²⁰ "Then they shall bring all your brethren for an offering to the LORD out of all nations, on horses and in chariots and in litters, on mules and on camels, to My holy mountain Jerusalem," says the LORD, "as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD. ²¹ "And I will also take some of them for priests

and Levites," says the LORD. ²² "For as the new heavens and the new earth Which I will make shall remain before Me," says the LORD, "So shall your descendants and your name remain. ²³ And it shall come to pass *That* from one New Moon to another, And from one Sabbath to another, All flesh shall come to worship before Me," says the LORD.

THE SIGN GOD HAS SET CALLS ALL PEOPLE

Those who ignore it to judgement

Those who hear it to glory

(worksheet on page 23)

#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.

OFFERING HYMN 442:2

2. Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.

PRAYERS - 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.
Amen

#761 In You Is Gladness

Author: Johann Lindemann

Translator: Catherine Winkworth

1 In You is gladness Amid all sadness,
Jesus, Sunshine of my heart.
By You are given The gifts of heaven;
You the true Redeemer are.
Our souls are waking; Our bonds are breaking.
Who trusts You surely Has built securely
And stands forever. Alleluia!

Our hearts are pining To see Your shining,
Dying or living To You are cleaving
Now and forever. Alleluia!

2 If He is ours, We fear no powers,
Not of earth nor sin or death.
He sees and blesses In worst distresses;
He can change them with a breath.
Wherefore the story Tell of His glory
With hearts and voices;
All heav'n rejoices In Him forever. Alleluia!
We shout for gladness, Win over sadness,
Love Him and praise Him And still shall raise Him
Glad hymns forever. Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, August 21

9 am Worship Service

11 am Worship in the Woods

- Potluck following service

Monday, August 22

7 pm Worship Service

Wednesday, August 24

4pm School Registration

Sunday, August 28

9 am Communion Service

Monday, August 29

7 pm Communion Service - Last

Monday Night Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 21 - Worship in the Woods – service starts at 11am, potluck follows

August 24 – 4pm School Registration

August 28 – 4pm Bingo Night

August 29 – Last Monday night service

September 11 – Sunday School Teacher Installation, Sunday School and Bible class resume

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Sundays

John Bobek , Kent Quade,

Andy Reyes, Bill Herbst

Mondays

Ryan Krueger, Bob Kirst,

Dennis Jones, Lynn Dumke

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Jeff Jones, Mike Dumke, Clay

Bobek, Jeremy Bobek

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 1

Dennis Jones, Greg Jones

Next Week Team # 2

Lynn Dumke, Keith Dickerson

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 84

Monday Service - 15

General - \$ 4905.00

Missions - \$ 6542.34

In memory of Ruth Pamenter \$

25.00 to Stained Glass Fund

Building - \$ 6789.12

FLOWERS ON ALTAR IN MEMORY OF RUTH PAMENTER

BINGO NIGHT

August 28th is Bingo night. Everyone coming to play should bring ONE candy bar for prizes. We will also be having a potluck during the game. For more information contact Lisa Reyes.

MOWING

Mowing is taken care of for the rest of the year. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

ILC BOOKS

Books from the Book House at ILC are for sale on the table by the bubbler.

FINANCES

We need \$5,000 for a new boiler. There is a basket in the back of the church.

WORSHIP IN THE WOODS

August 21 worship in the woods, potluck following the service. A map to the campground is on the bulletin board. Remember to bring a chair, your own drinks, meat for the grill and a dish to share.

SS TEACHERS NEEDED

We need help with Sunday School for the coming school year. Especially we are looking for someone to teach the preschool age Sunday school group. If you think you can serve the Lord in this way please talk to the pastor.

CLEANING THE CHURCH

Thank you so very much to those wonderful people who helped with cleaning the school. The high parts (lights) in the kitchen and cafeteria still need to be done.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Prov. 25:2-10

Psalm 131

Heb. 13:1-17

Luke 14:1-14

FAITH GEAR

Looking to order some Faith gear? Then check this out! Faith will be having an online store starting on 8/21 through 9/4. If you try to access the store prior to 8/21 it will be closed. If you have any questions please reach out to Korlea Thiem. The link to the store is: <http://cvsports.chippily.com/faithschool22>

INSTALLATION OF MARK TIEFEL

Pastor Mark Tiefel will be installed as pastor of Peace Thru Christ in Middleton, WI on Sunday, August 21st. The service will be at 3:00 pm with a fellowship meal to follow.

MAN UP

WHEN: September 22-25, 2022

WHERE: Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI Registration:

\$75 (\$150 after August 31)

Deadline: August 31, 2022

manup.clclutheran.org

SOUTHEASTERN WOMEN'S RETREAT

The women of the Southeastern Conference of the CLC will be hosting a women's retreat at Myrtle Beach, SC October 7-9, 2022. Any CLC women who would like to join us (as well as any friends you would like to bring) can obtain a registration form from their pastor or can find it on the "CLC Southeastern Women's Retreat Information" Facebook page. The registration deadline is September 1, 2022.

CALL NEWS

Pastor James Albrecht of St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN, has received the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, is still considering the call to Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA

Sermon Worksheet - Isaiah 66:18-23

1. (Pre-Sermon) What purpose do warnings serve?
2. What is the warning God gives in Isaiah 66:15-17?
3. To whom is this warning directed?
4. Would we, by nature, believe in the Gospel?
5. What is the sign that God has set among all nations?
6. What fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy will you receive?
7. What is the work God gives us to do?



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