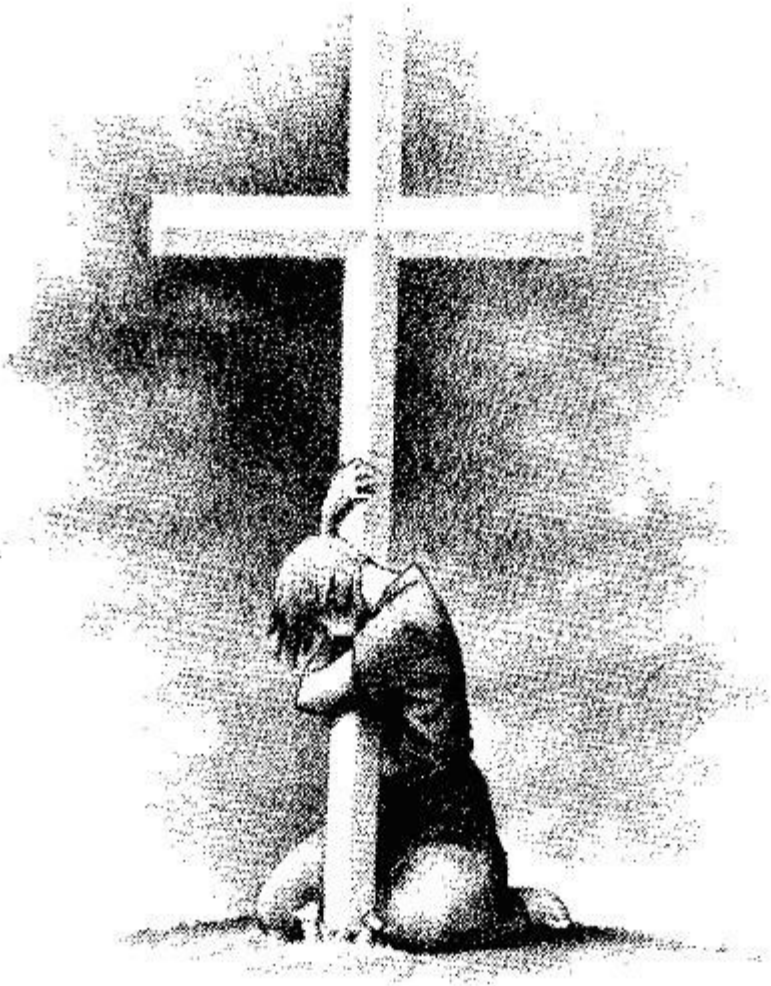


Faith Lutheran Church
January 29th 2023



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

January 29th, 2023

Liturgy: Common Service

Speaker: Pastor Matthew Ude

Organist: Ann Sprengeler

PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 15

Preserve me, O God, for in You I put my trust. ² *O my soul*, you have said to the LORD, "You *are* my Lord, My goodness is nothing apart from You." ³ As for the saints who *are* on the earth, "They are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight." ⁴ Their sorrows shall be multiplied who hasten *after* another god; Their drink offerings of blood I will not offer, Nor take up their names on my lips. ⁵ O LORD, You *are* the portion of my inheritance and my cup; You maintain my lot. ⁶ The lines have fallen to me in pleasant *places*; Yes, I have a good inheritance. ⁷ I will bless the LORD who has given me counsel; My heart also instructs me in the night seasons. ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; Because *He is* at my right hand I shall not be moved. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices; My flesh also will rest in hope. ¹⁰ For You will not leave my soul in Sheol, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption. ¹¹ You will show me the path of life; In Your presence *is* fullness of joy; At Your right hand *are* pleasures forevermore.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#4 "God Himself Is Present"

by Gerhard Tersteegen, 1697-1769

1. God Himself is present:

Let us now adore Him

And with awe appear before Him.

God is in His temple-- All within keep silence,

Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.

Him alone God we own, Him, our God and Savior;

Praise His name forever.

2. God Himself is present:

Hear the harps resounding;

See the hosts the throne surrounding!

"Holy, holy, holy"-- Hear the hymn ascending,

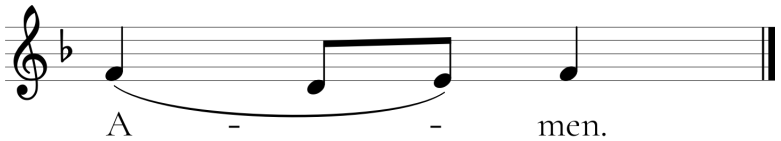
Songs of saints and angels blending.

Bow Thine ear To us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises
That Thy Church now raises.

3. O Thou Fount of blessing, Purify my spirit,
Trusting only in Thy merit.
Like the holy angels,
Who behold Thy glory,
May I ceaselessly adore Thee.
Let Thy will Ever still Rule
Thy Church terrestrial
As the hosts celestial.

INVOCATION

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



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.

all **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.**



Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

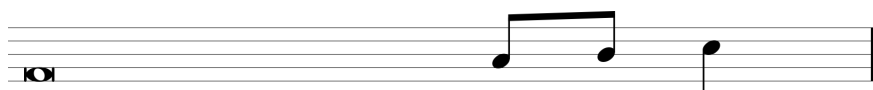
p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacri-

fice 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.



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

A musical score for a hymn in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written on five staves. The lyrics are: 'Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men, We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory O Lord God, heav'nly King God the Father al - mighty,'. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, ties, and fermatas.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus 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; re-cieve our prayer.



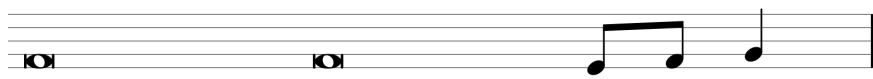
You sit at the right hand of God the Father;



have mercy on us, For you only are holy;



you on - ly are the Lord.



You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,

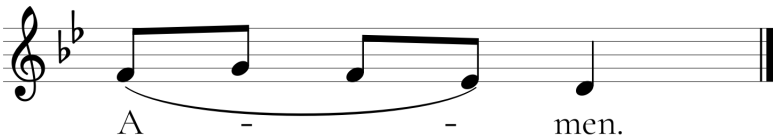


are most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

p The Lord be with you.



p Let us pray . . . Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

Matthew 5:1-12 And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. ² Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying: ³ "Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Blessed *are* those who mourn, For they shall be comforted. ⁵ Blessed *are* the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. ⁶ Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. ⁷ Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. ⁸ Blessed *are* the pure in heart, For they shall see God. ⁹ Blessed *are* the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. ¹² "Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

1 Corinthians 1:18-31 ¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are be-

ing saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." ²⁰ Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. ²² For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; ²³ but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. ²⁶ For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*. ²⁷ But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; ²⁸ and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, ²⁹ that no flesh should glory in His pres-

was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

#355 "Thou Art the Way; to Thee Alone"

by George W. Doane, 1799-1859

1. Thou art the *_Way_*; to Thee alone
From sin and death we flee;
And he who would the Gather seek
Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.
2. Thou art the *_Truth_*; Thy Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind
And purify the heart.
3. Thou art the *_Life_*; the rending tomb
Proclaims Thy conquering arm;
And those who put their trust in Thee
Nor death nor hell shall harm.
4. Thou art the *Way*, the *Truth*, the *Life*;
Grant us that *Way* to know,
That *Truth* to keep, that *Life* to win,
Whose joys eternal flow.

SERMON

Genesis 24:10-26 ¹⁰ Then the servant took ten of his master's camels and departed, for all his master's goods *were in* his hand. And he arose and went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor. ¹¹ And he made his camels kneel down outside the city by a well of water at evening time, the time when women go out to draw *water*. ¹² Then he said, "O LORD God of my master Abraham, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham. ¹³ "Behold, *here* I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. ¹⁴ "Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink'-- *let her be the one* You have appointed for Your servant Isaac. And by this I will know that You have shown kindness to my master." ¹⁵ And it happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, came out with her pitcher on her shoulder. ¹⁶ Now the young woman *was* very beautiful to behold, a vir-

gin; no man had known her. And she went down to the well, filled her pitcher, and came up. ¹⁷ And the servant ran to meet her and said, "Please let me drink a little water from your pitcher." ¹⁸ So she said, "Drink, my lord." Then she quickly let her pitcher down to her hand, and gave him a drink. ¹⁹ And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "I will draw *water* for your camels also, until they have finished drinking." ²⁰ Then she quickly emptied her pitcher into the trough, ran back to the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels. ²¹ And the man, wondering at her, remained silent so as to know whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not. ²² So it was, when the camels had finished drinking, that the man took a golden nose ring weighing half a shekel, and two bracelets for her wrists weighing ten *shekels* of gold, ²³ and said, "Whose daughter *are* you? Tell me, please, is there room *in* your father's house for us to lodge?" ²⁴ So she said to him, "I *am* the daughter of Bethuel, Milcah's son, whom she bore to Nahor." ²⁵ Moreover she said to him, "We have both straw and feed enough, and room to lodge." ²⁶ Then the man bowed down his head and worshiped the LORD.

THE LORD REIGNS

IN THE LIVES OF HIS PEOPLE

Because we fail to trust God's providence, we spend many fruitless hours in worry. The people in our text this morning trust God's control even when there is no evidence.

(worksheet on page 30)



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, followed by a half note G4. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes: D5, E5, F#5, G5, followed by a half note G4. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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, and
take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to
me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-
hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing". It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with the lyrics "Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and". The second staff continues with "take not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re - store un-to". The third staff continues with "me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up-". The fourth staff concludes with "hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men." The music is written in a single melodic line on a five-line staff, using a variety of note values including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and a double bar line at the end.

#360 "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

by Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

1. Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

2. My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad,
The honors of Thy name.

3. Jesus!--the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

OFFERING HYMN #788:1



Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with
That refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of
o-pen heart and hand Blesses free-ly, as a riv-er

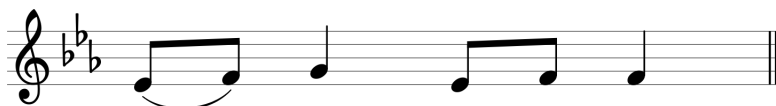
giving with a spirit large and true That our life and
 all our liv-ing We may con-se - crate to You.

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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

p The Lord be with you.



And al - so with you.

p Lift up your hearts.



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

p Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



It is good and right so to do.

p It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lived among us as a human being and revealed his glory as your only Son, full of grace and truth. Therefore, with all the saints on

earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name
and join their glorious song;



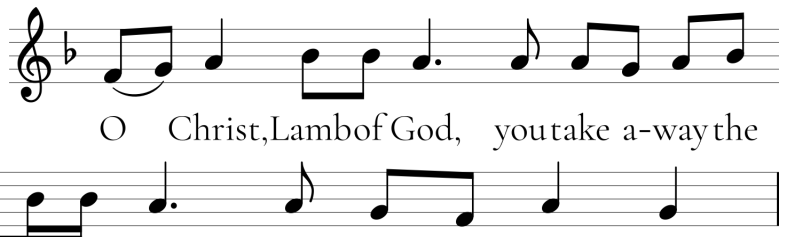
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord
God of heav - en - ly hosts; heav'n and earth are full
of your glo - ry. Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na
in the high - est. bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he,
bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosan - na, ho-san - na, ho-san-na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

p Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take and eat; This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in a single system. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens under 'mer - cy' and 'a-way'.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world; grant us your peace. A - men.

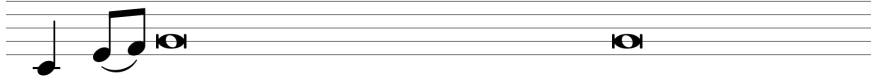
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Prayers for before and after communion are available on page 118 of your hymnal.

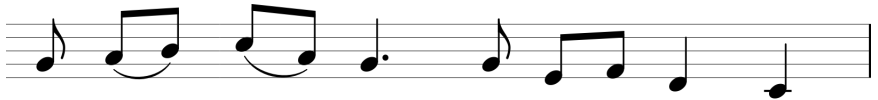
Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace



ac - cord - ing to your word.



For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have



prepared be - fore the face of all people,



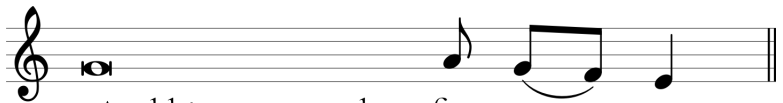
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glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

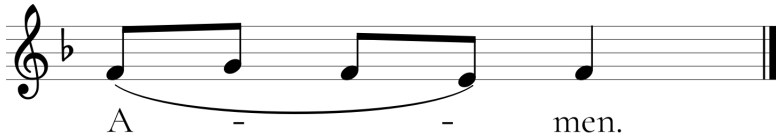
THANKSGIVING

p O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



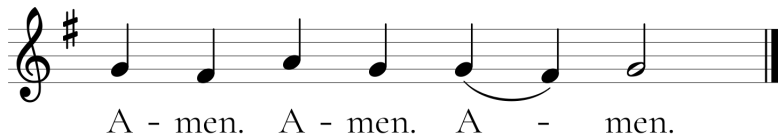
And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

p We give thanks, almighty God, that you have re-
freshed us with this holy supper. We pray that
through it you will strengthen our faith in you and
increase our love for one another. We ask this in the
name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
forever.



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.



#769 Lift High The Cross

Alterer: M. R. Newbolt;

Refrain:

Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

1 Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. [Refrain]

2 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine. [Refrain]

3 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, January 29

9am Communion Service
10am Sunday School
10am Choir Practice
10:15am Bible Class

Monday, January 30

10am Visitation
11am Lee Krueger Funeral

Wednesday, February 1

3:40pm Confirmation Class
6:30 Potluck and Bible Class

Thursday, February 2

5pm BB Game

Saturday, February 4

9am BB Practice

Sunday, February 5

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 30 Funeral of Lee Krueger
February 2 5pm BB game
February 25 Round Robin Tournament

USHERS FOR JANUARY

Ryan Krueger, Kent Quade,
Dale Muehlenhaupt, Jake Kearns

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

Bob Kirst, John Bobek, Tim Gabri-
elski, Jeremy Golz

COUNTERS

This Week Team # 6

Wayne Draeger, David Draeger

Next Week Team # 1

Dennis Jones, Greg Jones

FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service – 80
Sunday School- 5
Bible Class- 12
General - \$ 2694.00
Missions -\$ 105.00
Building Fund- \$ 50.00
School Fund - \$ 50.00

MEETING NOTES

Notes from the January board meetings and annual voters' meeting are available on shelf.

HELP WITH GRL CONFERENCE

The teachers from the Great Lakes Conference are coming here to Markesan for a conference on February 10. The teachers are asking for help preparing and serving lunch. A sign up sheet is available on the bulletin board.

WEDNESDAY BB CLASS

We are starting up our Wednesday bible class again. Potluck, bible class and games every Wednesday night, starting at 6:30pm Everyone is welcome even if you don't have time to bring food.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 58:3-9a
Psalm 112:1-9
1 Cor. 2:1-12
Matt. 5:13-20

SCHOOL CLEANING

I will be having surgery on Feb 28 and be unable to do any cleaning for approximately 8 weeks or more. Help will definitely be needed and appreciated, also, since I am still using a crutch any help prior to that date will be greatly appreciated. Thank you, Marsha Brown

CALL NEWS

Pastor Andrew Schaller of Calvary Lutheran Church, Marquette, MI, has accepted the call to Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI.

Pastor David Ude of Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI, is still considering the call to serve the vacancy at Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac, WI

Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ is still considering the call to Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA and Redemption Lutheran Church and School, Lynwood, WA.

Pastor Wayne Eichstadt of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Spokane, WI, is still considering the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.

Sermon Worksheet - Genesis 24

Presermon

Are there decisions in your life which you worry were wrong ?

How does that worry affect you currently?

How do you view God's promise in Rom 8:28 with regard to those decisions?

What causes you to doubt that this was God's will?

Sermon

What decision did Abraham's servant face?

Where did he turn for an answer?

Why was this decision so important?

What does this teach us about God's power?

What does this teach us about God's power in our lives?

We often doubt God's control because _____

What happens in our text that proves that God is control even when we are making the decisions?

We often doubt God's control because _____

What passages and bible accounts prove that God is control even over man's sin?

We often doubt God's control because _____

Scripture teaches neither predetermined fatalism nor chaotic free will, instead what does scripture teach about God's control?

What confidence do we have with regard to past decisions and future choices?



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