

Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧

Welcome!

"Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, to dwell in your courts! We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, the holiness of your temple!"

Psalm 65: 4



Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to**

please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar. Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

Prayers of the Church

Mourning + Family of Arlene Geitz **Circuit Congregation** St. Paul, Lowell
Expectant Mother + Becca Pettit + Jenna Hesterman **Health Issues**
+ Kellie Boutin + Andy Jacques + June Rose + Bill Fintel + Linda Parsons
+ Kara Nissen + Don Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring
Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran,
Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt

Organist: Cantor: Mr. David Witt

Altar Guild: August - Dianne Stutheit, Diane Gundlach

Elders: Dick LeBeau, Dustin Russell, Derek Zeisler

Acolyte: Arnold Gaunt

Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.

A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters'

Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

The Lord's Week

Sunday	Aug.	20	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
			9:00am	Divine Service
			10:15am	Board of Education Town Hall Meeting
			3:00pm	LCMS National Convention Recap
Monday	Aug.	21	11:00am	Senior Bible Study Village Diner
Tuesday	Aug.	22	9:30am	Bible Study
Midweek	Aug.	23	2:00pm	Calling and Caring
			5:30pm	Meal
			6:00pm	Parent Meeting, Youth bead craft
			6:30pm	Choir: Adult and Youth
			6:30pm	Right to Life Board, heritage room
Saturday	Aug.	26	9:00am	Breakfast w/Baby
			11- 6pm	Fellowship Hall Reserved Baby Shower
Sunday	Aug.	27	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
			9:00am	Divine Service
			10:30am	Prayer Project

The Lord Lifts Up the Lowly

"And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard" (Gen. 4:1-15). For unlike Abel, Cain's offering did not proceed from a heart that revered and trusted in the Lord. Thus, the lowly tax collector who prayed, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" was the one who went down to his house justified before God, not the respectable, outwardly righteous Pharisee who trusted in himself and his own good living (Luke 18:9-14). "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast" (Eph. 2:1-10). The one who penitently despairs of his own righteousness and relies completely on the atoning mercy of God in Christ is the one who is declared righteous. For Christ died for our sins and rose again the third day (1 Cor. 15:1-10). Therefore, "everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."



DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four

Prelude & Ringing of Bells

Hymn #915

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Service of the Word

Introit (Spoken) *insert*

Kyrie p. 204

Gloria in Excelsis

Salutation & Collect

Old Testament Reading

Gradual (Spoken)

Epistle Reading

Alleluia and Verse

Gospel Spoken

Nicene Creed

Hymn of the Day #559

Sermon **Luke 18:9-14**

Prayer of the Church

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Sanctus, Prayer & Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini & Agnus Dei

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Dismissal & Nunc Dimittis

Post-Communion Collect

Benedicamus & Benediction

Hymn #984

Postlude

Announcements

P: Go In Peace

C: "Thanks Be To God!"

News and Notes of Interest

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M.
10:30 A.M. Town Hall Meeting

Disciples of Jesus are “Saved by grace; Solid in the word; Here to serve”. Today, we will be talking about education and how we grow in God’s Word together. This will be an opportunity for us to share some ideas with you and for you to ask questions. Hope to see you there!

LCMS National Convention Recap. All circuit congregations are invited on Sunday, August 20th, 2023 to Peace, Hastings to hear about the resolutions and other events at the National Convention that recently took place in Milwaukee. We will meet at 3 pm, Peace fellowship hall.

Birthdays 8/20 Zoe LeBeau, Laurie Swanson

8/21 Matthew Lundquist **8/23** Anna Ellis

8/26 Gloria Kroger, Wes Christensen

Baptismal 8/22 Marlin Hinrichs, Evelyn Shuler,
Briana Lundquist, Matthew Lundquist, Nathan Reiners

8/24 Isaac Russell **8/25** Janelle Ham

Wedding Anniversary 8/22 Dale & Liza Grotelueschen

Lifequote “Live as a son or daughter of God, for He loves you as only a Father could. One thing you can know about God: He will never say about you, ‘These are not Our kind of people.’ Because of Christ and what He has done for you, the Father will never say that about you.”

• lutheransforlife.org

All **Midweek families** are invited to a supper and brief meeting on **Wednesday, August 23rd**. We will start eating around 5:30 pm. Afterwards, the kids will make prayer beads that we will use as we pray and learn the catechism, and the parents will talk about the upcoming year, etc. **At 6:30 the children will be rehearsing with the adult choir on a piece of music that we will sing for the 75th anniversary.** We will be done by 7 at the latest.

Breakfast with Baby event for single mothers on Saturday, August 26, 2023, from 9-10 a.m. Any woman who would like to serve as a mentor to a young mother or help serve in the kitchen is welcome to be of service. You may direct questions to Liza and Dale Grotelueschen or Joan Primrose.

75th Church Anniversary September 10th, 2023 at noon a catered dinner is planned. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex, will need a head count per each family.

Lamplighter please have newsletter items in by the third Thursday of each month.

The Congregation at Prayer

Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The 10 Commandments

The Apostles Creed

The Lord’s Prayer

Catechism:

What does such baptizing with water indicate?

It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written?

St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: “We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.” (Rom. 6:4)

Other Readings for the Week: *The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.*

*Pray in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week. What is God teaching you to **thank** Him for? What **sin** is He teaching you to **confess**? What is God teaching you to **ask** for? You may also pray this week’s Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).*

May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.

Hymn- #559 “Oh, How Great Is Your Compassion”

**Next Week’s Readings: Isaiah 29:17-24,
2 Corinthians 3:4-11, Mark 7:31-37.**

**11th Sunday after Trinity
Divine Service Setting 4**

**August 20th
9:00am**



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