



LORD of LOVE
Lutheran Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



**Not Glee and Gratitude
but Rejection and Resentment**



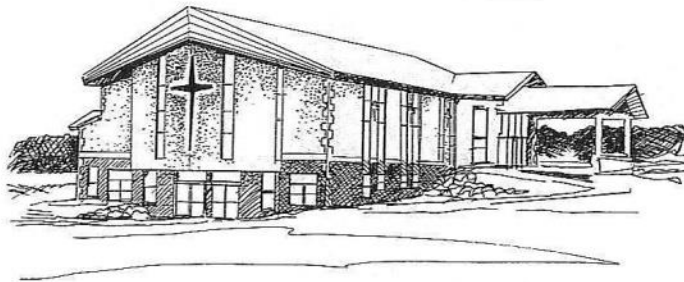
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**“I rejoiced with those who said to me,
‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’”
Psalm 122:1**



*Today's 9:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament.
Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.*

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July 7, 2024

THE COMMON SERVICE

OPENING HYMN (CW 618)

Before the Lord We Bow



1 Be - fore the Lord we bow, The God who reigns a -
2 The na - tion you have blessed May well your love de -
3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er
5 And when in pow'r he comes, Oh, may our na - tive



bove And rules the world be - low In bound - less
clare, From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed
green, Shine in your Word's pure light And its rich
own. Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor - ship
land From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a



pow'r and love. Our thanks we bring; In joy and
by your care. For this fair land, For this bright
fruits be seen! May ev - 'ry tongue Be tuned to
him a - lone. Cast down your pride! Your sin de -
glo - rious band, A count - less throng, And, joy - ful,



praise Our hearts we raise To heav'n's high King.
day Our thanks we pay— Gifts of your hand.
praise And join to raise A grate - ful song!
plore And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied!
sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

Text: Francis Scott Key, 1779–1843, alt.

Tune: DARWALL'S 148TH (66 66 4444) John Darwall, 1731–89.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



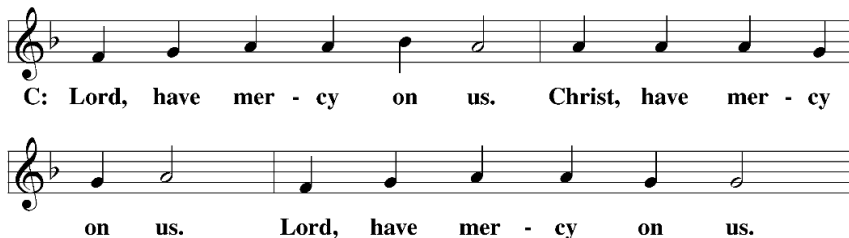
CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: 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.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

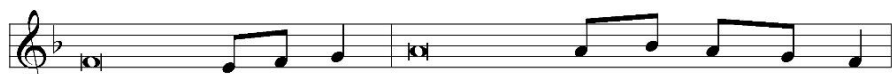


M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: 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 wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. 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 - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of



God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on-ly 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal and righteous God, you revealed your divine Word to teach us what we should do and what we should avoid. Strengthen and lead us by your Holy Spirit that we serve you in new obedience here until we come to complete holiness before you in that life to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 2:1-7

He said to me, “Son of man, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.”² The Spirit entered into me as he spoke to me and brought me up to my feet. Then I heard him speaking to me.³ He said to me, “Son of man, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to disloyal nations, who have been disloyal to me. They and their fathers have rebelled against me to this very day.⁴ These children of mine are brazen-faced and hard-hearted. I am sending you to them, and you are to tell them that this is what the LORD God says.⁵ Then, whether they listen or do not listen—for they are a rebellious house—then they will know that a prophet has been among them.⁶ But you, son of man, do not be afraid of them, and do not be afraid of their words. Even though briars and thorns surround you and you are living with scorpions, do not be afraid of their words, and do not be intimidated by the look on their faces, for they are a rebellious house.⁷ You are to speak my words to them whether they listen or they do not, for they are rebellious.

SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 2:1-13

You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ² Entrust the things you heard from me, in the presence of many witnesses, to faithful men who will also be able to teach others.

³ Share hardships as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴ No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in the affairs of everyday life. If he does, he will not please the one who enlisted him. ⁵ Also, if someone competes as an athlete, he does not receive a crown unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶ The hardworking farmer should receive a share of the crops first. ⁷ Think about what I am saying, because the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, a descendant of David, in accordance with my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. ¹⁰ For this reason I endure all things for the sake of the elect, so that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, along with eternal glory. ¹¹ This saying is trustworthy:

Indeed, if we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² If we endure, we will also reign with him;

If we deny him, he will also deny us;

*¹³ If we are faithless, he remains faithful,
because he cannot deny himself.*

STAND

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

BE SEATED



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Church's head, You are her
 2 O Lord, let this your lit - tle flock, Your name a -
 3 Help us to serve you ev - er - more With hearts both
 4 And for your gos - pel let us dare To sac - ri -



one foun - da - tion. In you she trusts, be - fore you
 lone con - fess - ing, Con - tin - ue in your lov - ing
 pure and low - ly. And may your Word, that light di -
 fice all trea - sure; Teach us to bear your bless - ed



bows, And waits for your sal - va - tion. Built
 care, True u - ni - ty pos - sess - ing. Your
 vine, Shine on in splen - dor ho - ly That
 cross, To find in you all plea - sure. Oh,



on this rock se - cure, Your Church shall en - dure
 sac - ra - ments, O Lord, And your sav - ing Word
 we re - pent - ance show, In faith ev - er grow.
 grant us stead - fast - ness In joy and dis - tress.



Though all the world de - cay And all things
 To us e'er pure re - tain, Grant that they
 The pow'r of sin de - stroy And e - vils
 Lord, for your mer - cy's sake, Let us by



pass a - way. Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Je - sus!
 may re - main Our on - ly strength and com - fort.
 that an - noy. Oh, make us faith - ful Chris - tians.
 grace par - take Of end - less joy and glo - ry.

Jesus left there and went to his hometown. His disciples followed him. ² When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue. Many who heard him were amazed. They asked, “Where did this man learn these things? What is this wisdom that has been given to this man? How is it that miracles such as these are performed by his hands? ³ Isn’t this the carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

⁴ Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and among his own relatives and in his own house.” ⁵ He could not do any miracles there except to lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. ⁶ He was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went around the villages teaching.

**Something Tragic Happened on Their Way to Heaven...
They Tripped on Jesus**

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

C: Cre - ate 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.

GATHERING OF THE THANK-OFFERING

While the offering is being collected, please sign and pass the Friendship Register.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR THE NATION

M: Almighty God, we acknowledge with thanks that all we have and enjoy is a gift from your gracious hand. We come before you today in heartfelt appreciation for our nation and its people.

C: We thank you for enabling us to worship you in freedom and to serve you without fear.

M: You have enriched us with the bounties of farm and factory, the beauty of forest and mountain, and the marvels of medicine and science.

C: For all these blessings, we praise and glorify you.

M: Look with favor upon our nation, and preserve our cherished liberties. Enable our leaders to govern with wisdom, honesty, courage, and justice. Protect those who serve in the armed forces and those who maintain peace and safety in our communities.

C: Give us willingness to obey our nation's laws and to work for the common good.

M: Keep our financial institutions secure and our economy strong. Bless our fields that they may produce abundant harvests. Guard us from calamities of nature and accident, and spare our land from the ravages of disease and epidemic.

C: Teach us not to worry but to cast all our cares on you.

M: Strengthen the homes of our nation. By your Spirit lead husbands and wives to love each other, parents to nurture their children, young adults to assume responsibility, and children to show respect.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

To you, O Lord, we bring our thanks and our requests.

C: Hear our prayers for Jesus' sake. Amen.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -



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. Ho - san -



na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: 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."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: 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; 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.

BE SEATED

DISTRIBUTION

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.



1 Hail, O once - de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, O Gal - i -
 2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, All our sins on
 3 Je - sus, heav'n - ly hosts a - dore you, Seat - ed at your
 4 Wor - ship, hon - or, pow'r, and bless - ing You are wor - thy



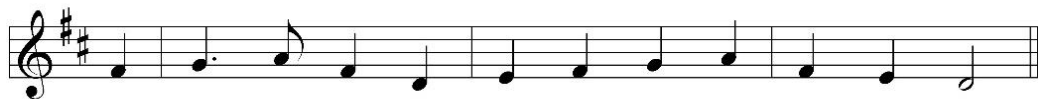
le - an King! You have suf - fered to re - lease us,
 you were laid; By al - might - y love a - noint - ed,
 Fa - ther's side. Cru - ci - fied this world once saw you;
 to re - ceive; Loud - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,



Hope to give and peace to bring. Hail, O u - ni - ver - sal
 You have full a - tone - ment made. Ev - 'ry sin has been for -
 Now in glo - ry you a - bide. There for sin - ners you are
 Right it is for us to give. Help, O bright an - gel - ic



Sav - ior, Bear - er of our sin and shame; By your mer -
 giv - en Through the pow - er of your blood; O - pen is
 plead - ing, And our place you now pre - pare, Ev - er for
 spir - its, All your no - blest an - thems raise; Help to sing



its we find fa - vor; Life is giv - en through your name.
 the gate of heav - en; We are rec - on - ciled to God.
 us in - ter - ced - ing Till in glo - ry we ap - pear.
 our Sav - ior's mer - its; Help to chant Im - man - uel's praise.

Text: *A Collection of Hymns*, London, c. 1757, alt.

Tune: O DURCHBRECHER ALLER BANDE (87 87 D) Freylinghausen, *Geist-reiches Gesang-Buch*, Halle, 1704, alt.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN (CW 523)

God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On your peo -
 2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ,
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e -



ple pour your pow'r; Crown your an - cient Church's
 as - sail his ways. From our fears that long have
 to your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish
 vils we de - plore; Let the gift of your sal -



sto - ry; Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r.
 bound us, Free our hearts to faith and praise.
 glad - ness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
 va - tion Be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the fac - ing
 Grant us wis - dom; grant us cour - age For the liv - ing
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age Lest we miss your
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, Serv - ing you whom



of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 king - dom's goal, Lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 we a - dore, Serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878–1969, abr., alt.
 Tune: CWM RHONDDA (87 87 877) John Hughes, 1873–1932.

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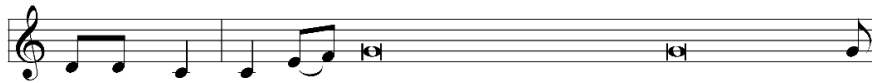
STAND

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis



C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing



to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-

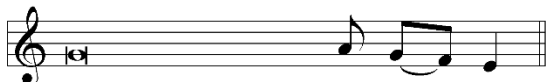


pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the



Gen-tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

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



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed 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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN (CW 620)

God Bless Our Native Land

1 God bless our na - tive land! Firm may she
 2 For her our prayers shall rise To God a -
 ev - er stand Through storm and night! When the wild
 bove the skies; On him we wait. Thou who art
 tem - pests rave, Ru - ler of wind and wave,
 ev - er nigh, Guard - ing with watch - ful eye,
 Do thou our coun - try save By thy great might.
 To thee a - loud we cry, God save the state!

Text: Charles T. Brooks, 1813–83, st. 1, alt.; John S. Dwight, 1813–93, st. 2.
 Tune: AMERICA (664 6664) *Thesaurus Musicus*, London, c. 1740.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you would prefer this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Pre-Worship Meditation

July 7, 2024

Something Tragic Happened on Their Way to Heaven... They Tripped on Jesus

EXPLANATION OF THE THEME OF THE DAY

If ministry involves serving others with love and compassion, you would think that people would respond only with glee and gratitude for the help they received.

Sometimes, but not always. If you offer to help a family member who is having trouble paying his bills, he might be offended, wondering if you are implying that he is not a good provider. Likewise, if you try and share the gospel with someone, he might resent the message that he is a sinner in need of salvation. You are trying to minister to this man's greatest need. Your intentions are loving. Yet he responds with rejection and resentment.

When our ministry efforts are met not with glee and gratitude but rejection and resentment, we are in good company. The prophets, apostles, and even Jesus himself all had those who responded negatively to their ministries. When that happens to us, it doesn't mean our ministry is no longer meaningful. For if others do not appreciate our efforts to serve them, God still appreciates our efforts to serve him.

Summer Worship Schedule
July, August, & September 1, 2024
Sunday Worship 9:00 am
Adult Bible Study 8:00 am

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 8:00 am: Sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: The Gospel of John, lower level

Wednesday 6:30 pm: Revelation, lower level

Friday 6:00 am: Matthew (Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45) at
DeForest Family Restaurant: 505 W. North Street, DeForest

Sunday July 7: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service with Holy Communion

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: Ryan Jaeger
- Ushers: Ryan Jaeger and Aaron Parker
- Counters: Sharon Kalscheuer and Donna Cotter
- Altar Guild: Kristin Huebner and Sophia Strong
- A/V & Recording: Devin Anderson

Sunday July 14: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service with Holy Communion

8:00 am: Adult Bible study

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Organist: Sharon Freund
- Councilman: Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers: Rodger LaGrange and Lynn Biwer
- Counters: Bob Degnan and Gene Freund
- Altar Guild: Kristin Huebner and Sophia Strong
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Barb Schade and June Thayer

July 13 - July 20: Annual Grounds Maintenance *Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to assist with grounds work including landscaping, brush clean up, back trail work and tree work.

The work schedule is a full day both Saturday July 13th and Saturday July 20th beginning at 8:00 am, work throughout the week as weather permits and volunteer schedules allow.

Any time you have to offer is greatly appreciated, and your willingness to assist in maintaining the beauty of our grounds is a blessing for our congregation.

Happy Birthday

We wish God's blessings to Kellan Krueger (7/7), Renee Olson (7/7), Shari Blossom (7/10), and Nathan Vomhof (7/12) who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Anniversaries

We wish God's blessings to Bob and Deborah Nasett (7/11) and Jacob and Ali Kilian who celebrate their anniversaries this week.

In Our Prayers

Fred Bakken, Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Marilyn Lund, Rose Lund, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman and Steve Tobison who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), Shannon & Matthew Garrett and John J. Schueman (son of Bonnie & John Schueman).

COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE LUTHERAN

- **July 1 – July 31:** Food Drive Donation Collection
- **July 13 - July 20:** Work Week for Grounds Maintenance *Volunteers needed*
- **July 18:** Red Cross Blood Drive, 12:00 – 5:00 pm *Volunteers needed*
- **July 18:** Elders and Deaconess meeting, 6:30 pm
- **July 20:** Breathe New Life Into Your Sunday School Ministry! Conference in Wonewoc, WI 8:30 – 2:00 pm (Refreshments at 8:00 am)
- **July 20:** Ladies Coffee/Breakfast at M-N-M's Coffee House in Waunakee
- **July 21:** Outdoor Worship Service and church picnic, Worship 10:30, picnic 12:00 noon
- **July 29:** Lord of Love Open Forum, 10:30 am in the sanctuary

