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## **+ THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY +**

**June 21, 2020**

### **As We Gather ~ *The Gospel Call Goes Out to All***

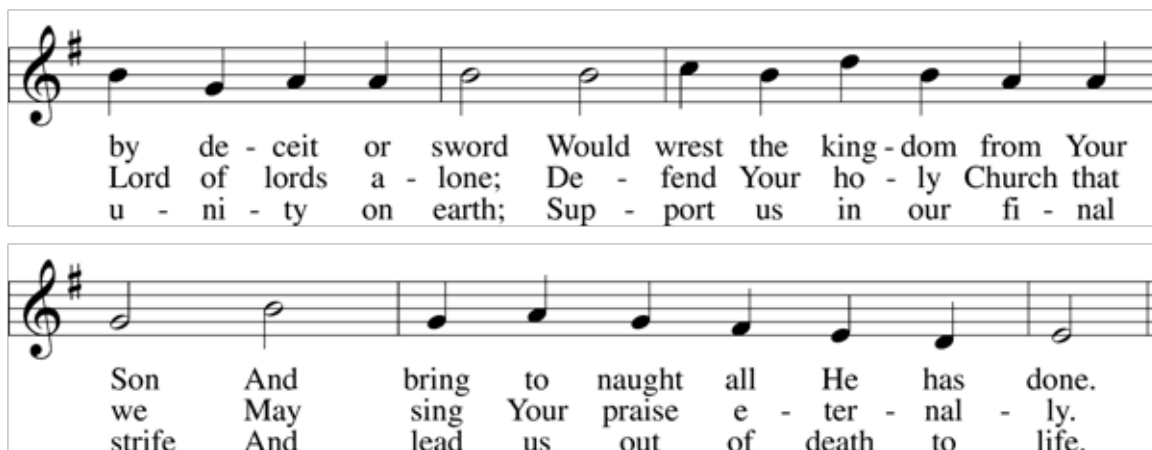
Wisdom has issued an invitation to the divine feast: "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight" (Prov. 9:5–6). This is the call of the Spirit of Christ to believe the Gospel and to receive His saving gifts in the Holy Supper. Many make excuses and reject this invitation, even as the Jews did in the days of Jesus, yet the Master's house will be filled. The Gospel call therefore goes out to the lowly and despised, into the highways, even to all the Gentiles (Luke 14:15–24). For "you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ" (Eph. 2:13–22). In Christ, believing Jews and Gentiles are no longer strangers but fellow members of the household of God. The enmity of class and race is put to death through the cross. Having been reconciled in the one Body of Christ, we are enabled to love one another (1 John 3:13–18) as we await the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which will have no end.

### **Hymn ~ "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"**

LSB 655

1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and





by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
 Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
 u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal  
 Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
 we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
 strife And lead us out of death to life.

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## Common Versicles

LSB 219

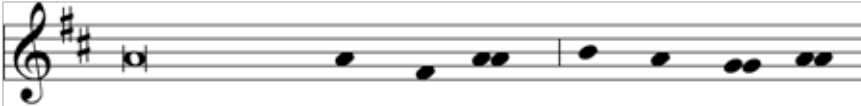


**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,  
**C** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.  
**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;  
**C** make haste to help me, O Lord.  
**C** Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.  
 Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.




## + PSALMODY +

### Antiphon (Proper 3-7, Trinity 1-8)




**L** The Lord has gath - ered us in the true faith.



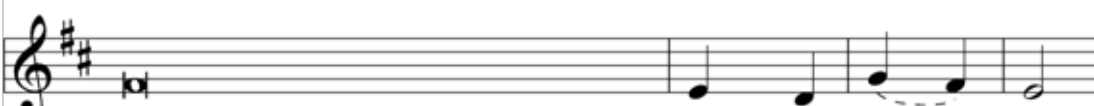
**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

### Venite


LSB 220




**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.  
5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;



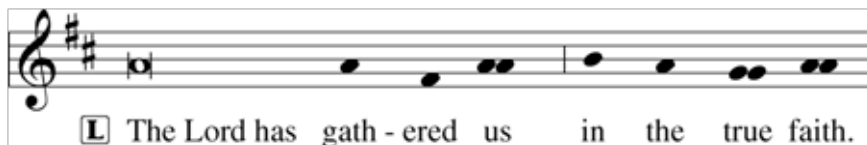
1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

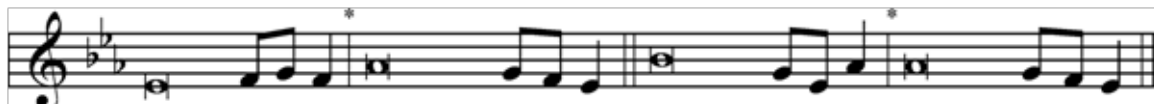


## Antiphon (Proper 3-7, Trinity 1-8)



## Proper: Introit

*Psalm 18:1–2a, 27, 30a, 49; antiphon: vv. 18b–19*



The LORD was | my support\*

in the day of my ca- | lamity.

He brought me out into a | broad place;\*

he rescued me, because he delight- | ed in me.

I love you, O | LORD, my strength.\*

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my de- | liverer.

For you save a humble | people,\*

but the haughty eyes | you bring down.

This God—his way is | perfect;\*

the word of the | LORD proves true.

For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the | nations,\*

and sing | to your name.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

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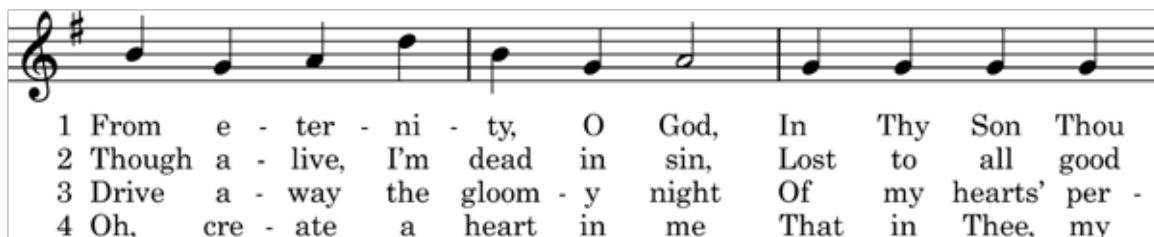
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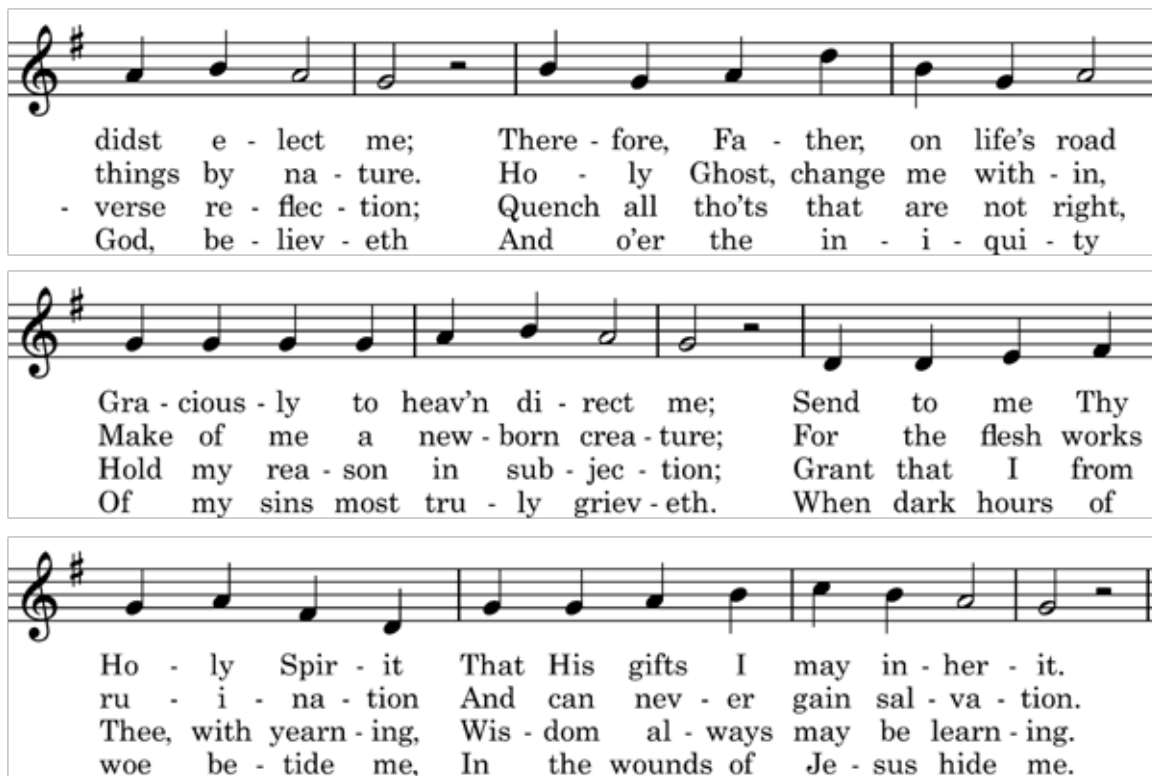
he rescued me, because he delight- | ed in me.

## Hymn ~ “From Eternity, O God”

TLH 411







didst e - lect me;      There - fore, Fa - ther, on life's road  
 things by na - ture.      Ho - ly Ghost, change me with - in,  
 - verse re - flec - tion;      Quench all tho'ts that are not right,  
 God, be - liev - eth      And o'er the in - i - qui - ty

Gra - cious - ly to heav'n di - rect me;      Send to me Thy  
 Make of me a new - born crea - ture;      For the flesh works  
 Hold my rea - son in sub - jec - tion;      Grant that I from  
 Of my sins most tru - ly griev - eth.      When dark hours of

Ho - ly Spir - it That His gifts I may in - her - it.  
 ru - i - na - tion And can nev - er gain sal - va - tion.  
 Thee, with yearn - ing, Wis - dom al - ways may be learn - ing.  
 woe be - tide me, In the wounds of Je - sus hide me.

- 5 As a branch upon a vine  
In my blessed Lord implant me;  
Ever of my Head divine  
To remain a member grant me.  
Oh, let Him, my Lord and Savior,  
Be my Life and Love forever!
- 6 Faith and hope and charity  
Graciously, O Father, give me;  
Be my Guardian constantly  
That the devil may not grieve me;  
Grant me humbleness and gladness,  
Peace and patience in my sadness.
- 7 Help me speak what's right and good  
And keep silence on occasion;  
Help me pray, Lord, as I should,  
Help me bear my tribulation;  
Help me die and let my spirit  
Everlasting life inherit

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## + READINGS +

### Reading

*Proverbs 9:1–10 (Rev. Dr. Koepp's Translation)*

*\*Note – the text in parentheses are not part of the Biblical Text. Some Hebrew words do not translate well with one simple modern English word, they are added as aids to understanding the Biblical words used.*

- 1 Wisdom builds her house;  
she carves out her seven pillars.
- 2 She slaughters her slaughter; (*Hebrew doubling emphasizing slaughter*)  
she mixes her wine;  
also, she arranges her table
- 3 She sends out her servant girls;  
she calls upon the highest heights of the city,
- 4 "Whoever is young (*that is naïve*), turn in here."  
To the one in want of heart she says to him,
- 5 "Come, bread of my bread (*doubling emphasizing eating*)  
and drink of the wine I mix.
- 6 Let go of young (*naïve*) and live, and go straight in the way of understanding."
- 7 He who disciplines a mocker, takes to him ignominy (*deep shame and disgrace*),  
and he adjudges (*declares to be true*) to the wicked is injured.
- 8 Do not adjudge (*declare to be true*) a mocker, lest he hate you;  
adjudge (*declare to be true*) to the wise and he will love you.
- 9 Give to the wise and the wise is still more;  
teach to the righteous and add learning.
- 10 Beginning of wisdom is fear of YHWH  
and knowledge of the Holy One (*Trinitarian ending*) is understanding.

A O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### Reading

*1 John 3:13–18*

13 Do not be surprised, brothers, that the world hates you. 14 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. 15 Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you



16By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. 17But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? 18Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Luke 14:15–24*


**C Thanks be to God.**

## LSB 221

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*Refrain*



**C** Lord, I love  
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

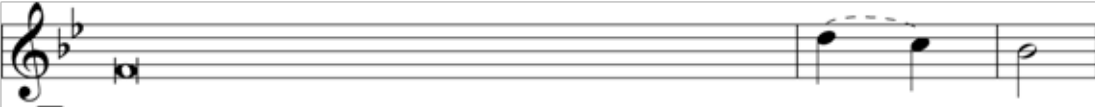
## Sermon

“The Way of Wisdom”


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## Te Deum

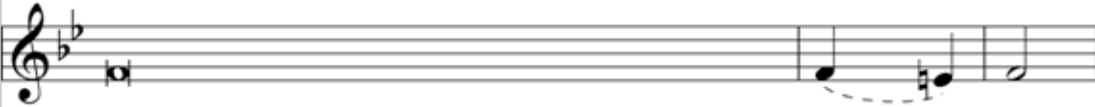
LSB 223




**C** 1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.  
2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of . . . . . Sab - a - oth;  
3 The noble army of martyrs . . . . . praise — You.




1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.  
2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.  
3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You;




1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.  
2 The glorious company of the apostles . . . . . praise — You.  
3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;  
4 You are the king of glory, . . . . . O — Christ;



1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:  
2 The goodly fellowship of the . . . . . proph-ets praise — You.  
3 also the Holy . . . . . Ghost, the Com-fort - er.  
4 You are the everlasting Son . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er of man,  
6 You sit at the right . . . . . hand of God



5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.  
6 in the glory . . . . . of the Fa - ther.



5 When You had overcome the . . . . . sharpness of death,  
 6 We believe that . . . . . You will come

5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.  
 6 to . . . . . be our judge.

7 We therefore pray You to help Your . . . . . ser - vants,  
 8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.  
 9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.

7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.  
 8 Govern them and lift . . . . . them up for - ev - er.  
 9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.

7 Make them to be numbered . . . . . with Your saints  
 8 Day by day we . . . . . magni - fy You.  
 9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.


7 in glory . . . . . ev - er - last - ing.  
 8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.  
 9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

## Offering

+ PRAYER +

## Kyrie

LSB 227

  
 Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.



## Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

## Collects

### Introduction to Collects

LSB 227



### Collect of the Day: Trinity 2

O Lord, since You never fail to help and govern those whom You nurture in Your steadfast fear and love, work in us a perpetual fear and love of Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Prayer of the Church



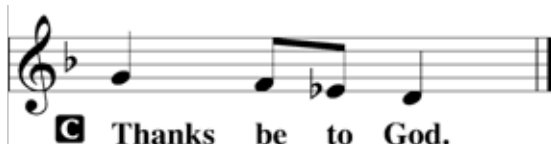
## Collect for Grace

L O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend  
us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day  
we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that  
all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righ-  
teous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.



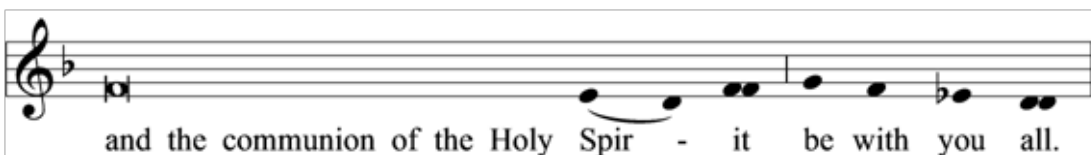
## Benedicamus

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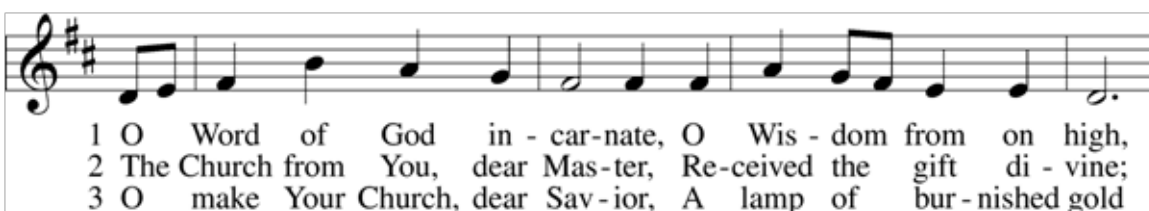
## Benediction

LSB 228



## Hymn ~ "Word of God Incarnate"

LSB 523







O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:  
 And still that light is lift - ed O'er all the earth to shine.  
 To bear be - fore the na - tions Your true light as of old!

We praise You for the ra - diance That from the hal - lowed page,  
 It is the chart and com - pass That, all life's voy - age through,  
 O teach Your wan - d'ring pil - grims By this their path to trace

A lan - tern to our foot - steps, Shines on from age to age.  
 Mid mists and rocks and quick - sands Still guides, O Christ, to You.  
 Till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, They see You face to face!

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# ***The Immanuel Spirit***

## ***Welcome!***

**Scripture Lessons for next Sunday:** Micah 7:18–20, 1 Peter 5:6–11 and Luke 15:1–10.

**Stewardship:** Luke 14:19 – “And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’” The things of this world tempt us to cast aside the things of God. The things of this world demand our attention, time, finances, etc. But Jesus invites us to the feast. What could be more important than this gracious invitation? Today’s parable invites us to examine our own priorities and attempted excuses and to come home to the Lord, who invites us in humble repentance.

**Pastor Koepp will be gone** from June 22nd through June 27. If a need arises, contact him on his cell phone 507-829-3901, or one of the elders.

**Building Healthy Families for June 21st:** Many of us grew up learning to be tough and to never ask for help. But in recent years, we have found that if we ask for help, we can get it from our friends, our family, our pastor and other helpers. Don’t try to be the Lone Ranger. God has placed numerous people in our lives to help us. Remember Paul’s admonition in the last chapter of Galatians: “Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” Galatians 6:2 When you allow others to care for you, you allow them to grow in their relationship to Christ. ~ **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. [www.LutheranFamilyService.org](http://www.LutheranFamilyService.org)**

**Life Quote for June 21st:** “So how do we handle Father’s Day? First, thank God for your father and for any lessons he taught you, either through positive or negative actions. (If Dad is still around, thank him too.) Second, thank your Father God that He fills in all the gaps where earthly fathers don’t always measure up.” Linda Kerr, Time of Grace ~ **A “Life Quote” from Lutherans For Life [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)**



**Lutheran Hour Ministries for June 28th:** Hear “Practice Makes Perfect” based on Matthew 5 by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. When we want something to be perfect, we practice it over and over until it becomes part of us. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages His followers to practice being perfect, because God already sees them that way, through faith in Christ. ~ **Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.**

**PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...** You're invited to watch the Virtual Issues, Etc. “Making the Case” Conference Friday, July 24 and Saturday, July 25. Speakers include: Mark & Mollie Hemingway; Robert George; Matt Walsh; Hans Fiene; and Bryan Wolfmueeller. Registration is \$135 and includes the ability to watch live and on-demand. For more information, visit [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org) or call (618) 223-8385.

**Hear the sanctity of life throughout Scripture and all year long!** LifeMoments from Lutherans for Life listens to each week's appointed lectionary readings with life ears and applies God's Word to life hurts. For more information, visit [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org).

**Life Thought in the Church Year for June 21st:** Our Savior and our Scriptures do not recognize a functional distinction between physical deficiency and spiritual deficiency. All human beings suffer from a fallen sinfulness that makes us decisively compromised (Luke 14:21-23). And Christ's sacrifice, victory, and companionship call and escort every such one into His heavenly household! *God of compassion and mercy, gather together Your precious ones so that we embrace both You and each other. Amen.*

**KFUO Radio**, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on [KFUO.org](http://KFUO.org) via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) and wherever you get your podcasts! This week on [KFUO.org](http://KFUO.org), we have our annual Sharathon, postponed from April. We ask that you prayerfully support KFUO Radio June 25-27 as you are able. Listen live at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org)! We also discuss the importance of Play on Mental Health Monday (6/22 at 9:00 a.m. CT) and continue studying the book of James on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT).



**Cleaning:** Household(s) responsible for the week of 6/21—6/27 is **Johnson**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 6/28—7/4 is **Kaloupek**. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine (641-990-5985) no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

**Celebrating Birthdays This Week**

Cayli Christinson...Today

*We pray God’s blessings upon you in the coming year.*

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS**

Week of June 14th

Attendance	34
Communion	25
General:	\$4320.00
Missions:	\$200.00

**WEEK AHEAD**

Today	9am	2nd Sunday after Trinity
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Pastor out of town through June 27th

Next Sun.	9am	3rd Sunday after Trinity
		Food Pantry Sunday



## ***LOOKING AHEAD...***

JUNE 30--JULY 4

Pastor out of town

JULY 12

Confirmation Sunday for Ellie Mintle & Sophia Loudon

JULY 13, 14, 15 9am--11am

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

JULY 19

Voters' Assembly after the Divine Service

# **Voters' Assembly**

## **July 19th**

### **After the Divine Service**

**If you are not a member and desire to become one:**

**4.3.1 Definition: Voting members are communicants who have reached the age of 18 years and who have been received by the Voters' Assembly.**

**4.3.2 Reception: Applicants for voting membership shall have received a copy of the constitution and be given time to re-view it. They shall be received as voting members by presenting themselves at a meeting of the Voters' Assembly and signing the constitution.**





# Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Lutheran Women in Mission

Greetings from the LWML Iowa East District Board of Directors,

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Iowa District East (IED) Convention, originally scheduled for June 12-13, 2020, was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The LWML IED Convention has been rescheduled to September 12, to be held at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca in place of the Fall Retreat.

In His Service,

Cheryl Killham

LWML IED Vice President of Communication

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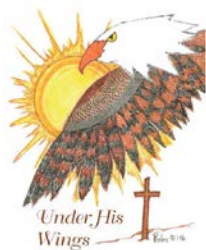




### 2020 Convention/Celebration

9:00 AM	Registration/LWML Store Open/Servant Events
9:40 AM	Singing
10:00 AM	Opening Worship with 1st offering
11:00 AM	Morning Meeting/Events Introduction of new officers Char Kroemer - LWML Rep
11:30 AM	Lunch/ Servant Events/Prayer Walk
12:00 PM	Afternoon Meeting/Events Singing Share new By-Laws and Procedure Manual Brent Smith - Mission Central Bible Study 1 Break Ann Cerrick - Gifts of Love Caitlin and Juancarlos Ramirez - Missionaries in the Dominican Republic Invitation to 2022 - Waterloo Zone Lexington Skit 2nd Offering - Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca 2020-2022 Mission Grants District Mission Grant Challenge Results Bible Study 2
4:00 PM	Servant Events/Prayer Walk
5:00 PM	Banquet
5:30 PM	David Fiala
7:00 PM	Singing/Closing Devotions/Worship





**Lutheran Women's Missionary League  
Iowa East District Convention Celebration  
Registration Form**

**September 12, 2020  
Camp I-O-Dis-E-Ca at Solon, IA**

*Complete one form for EACH person attending and make a copy for your reference.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Clearly)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_ LWML ZONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTENDANCE:** (Please Check One)

- ☐ LWML IED member  
☐ Guest (non LWML IED member)  
☐ Past LWML IED District President  
☐ Pastor

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** (Please specify)

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**BANQUET OPTIONS:** (Please Check One)

- ☐ Chicken ☐ Beef

**OVERNIGHT CAMP ACCOMMODATIONS:** A maximum of 50 people may stay at the camp for a cost of \$20/night (includes sheets, blankets and towels). If more than 50 people have registered, your payment will be returned.

**REGISTRATION FEES:** (Please Check One) A maximum of 120 people may attend this event. If more than 120 have registered, your payment will be returned.

- ☐ Saturday (registration fee, sack lunch, banquet dinner, snacks).....\$55.00  
☐ Saturday (registration fee, sack lunch, banquet dinner, snacks) and Friday night stay.....\$75.00  
☐ Saturday (registration fee, sack lunch, banquet dinner, snacks) and Saturday night stay.....\$75.00  
☐ Saturday (registration fee, sack lunch, banquet dinner, snacks) and Friday and Saturday night stay.... \$95.00

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Make check payable to LWML IED CONVENTION)

Registration forms and fees are due **AUGUST 15, 2020** and are not refundable.

**\*\*\* If you have any symptoms of or exposure to COVID-19 within 14 days before the celebration, please do not attend and your registration will be fully refunded. \*\*\***

Send Registration Form and Check to: Karen Turk  
1036 14th Street SE  
Mason City, IA 50401-6955

*For a confirmation notice, please provide an email address or enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with this form.*

Registration questions may be emailed to Linette Heimbuch at [lnmheim88@gmail.com](mailto:lnmheim88@gmail.com)

You are welcome to bring your own Bible and/or hymnal. You may bring a mask, if you choose. Masks will not be provided. Health checks may be required.

Watch for convention celebration updates on the LWML IED Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/iedlwml>) or LWML IED website (<http://lwml-ied.org/event-items/2020-lwml-ied-convention>).



The logo features the words "Vacation Bible School" in a bold, blue, 3D-style font. The word "Vacation" is on the top line, and "Bible School" is on the bottom line. A large, red, 3D cross is positioned behind the letter "a" in "Vacation". The entire text is set against a bright yellow sun with a gradient from yellow to orange.

# Vacation Bible School

*July 13, 14, 15*

*9:00am to 11:00am*

*Registration forms are on  
the entryway table  
and on our website*



**Dear Father in heaven,**

**Your great love for Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, has brought forth every human life as Your own precious treasure forever.**

**And though You reign exalted over all the universe, You come near to each of us in the blessing of a father.**

**“As a father shows compassion  
to his  
children, so  
the LORD  
shows  
compassion  
to those  
who fear  
him.”  
(Psalm 103:13)**



**Thank you that You have bound one such man also to me in an echo of Your own incarnation next to us in the flesh.**

**Thank you that my father protects me and provides for me at Your ordaining.**

**Thank you that he supplies me with shelter and security that teaches me about You.**

**Thank you that his diligence sustains me and his devotion consoles me with Your hand.**

**Thank you that his affirmation expresses Your unconditional acceptance.**

**Thank you that his counsel and his example support me and prepare me to do Your will.**

**I humbly implore You to enfold him this day and unto eternity in the same heavenly grace that he has shown me.**



Establish him in peace and joy, knowing that His fatherly labors fulfill Your command and that You receive his service as a worship of You.

Let Your blessing rest especially with fathers in exceptional circumstances, including single fathers, adoptive and fostering fathers, fathers of large families, and fathers whose sons or daughters have extraordinary needs.

Grant special healing and hope also to our brothers who have endured fatherhood's losses or sorrows and to the ones who have not known the delight of fatherhood.

As they have ensured our survival, give them all length of days, and in Your Son's resurrection to everlasting life gather them into the fellowship of their fathers and the great reward that awaits every one of us who follows in the faith they have maintained, sharing in Your everlasting gladness. Amen.

