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As We Gather ~ The Cry of Faith: Lord, Have Mercy

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" (Luke 17:11–19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. "Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Gal. 5:16–24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy," eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus' help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus' cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10–23).

Opening Hymn 'O Holy Spirit, Enter In'





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Opening Versicles: Common

- This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
- C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
- C Teach me Your paths.
- L Sanctify us in Your truth.
- C Your Word is truth.
- L From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- 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.





Reading

Proverbs 4:10-23

10Hear, my son, and receive my words, that the years of your life may be many.

11I have taught you the way of wisdom;
I have led you in the paths of uprightness.

12When you walk, your step will not be hampered, and if you run, you will not stumble.

13Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.

14Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil.

15Avoid it; do not go on it;

turn away from it and pass on.

16For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong;

they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble.

17For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence.

18But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day.

19The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble.

20My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings.

21Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart.

22For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh.

23Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Introit

Psalm 84:1–2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: vv. 9–10



Behold our shield, | O God;*

look on the face of your a- | nointed!

For a day | in your courts*

is better than a thousand | elsewhere.

How lovely is your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!*
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.

Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,*

ever sing- | ing your praise!

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house | of my God* than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.

The LORD bestows favor and | honor.*

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.

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.

Behold our shield, | O God;*
look on the face of your a- | nointed!
For a day | in your courts*
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Reading Galatians 5:16–24

16But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. 17For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. 18But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, 20idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, 21envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. 22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. 24And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Reading Luke 17:11–19

11On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. 12And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance 13and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." 14When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. 15Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; 16and he fell on his face at His feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. 17Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? 18Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" 19And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has saved you."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory: Common

- Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

- L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Lord's Prayer

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.

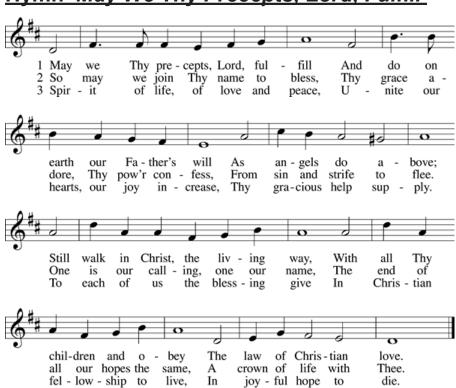
Sermon

"Desirable Fruits"

Galatians 5:16-24

Hymn 'May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill'

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Offering

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

- L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

- O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Collect for the Word

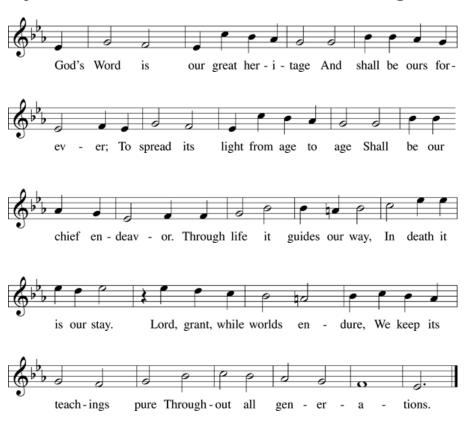
- Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Hymn 'God's Word Is Our Great Heritage'

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Benedicamus

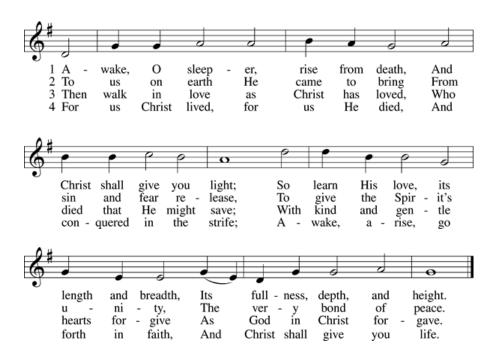
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- L Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 267

- L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ♣ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn 'Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death'



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Immanuel Spirit

Scripture Lessons for next Sunday: 1 Kings 17:8–16, Galatians 5:25—6:10 and Matthew 6:24–34.

Stewardship: Luke 17:18-19 – [Jesus said,] 'Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' And he said to him, 'Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.' " Faith and thanksgiving go together. How could they not go together? Our Lord gave Himself for us, and we trust Him and His every Word. Once we have this faith, we want to say thank you – it's only natural. And thus, our stewardship is only a natural part of the Christian faith. We thank the Lord with our gifts, which enable the Church to reach more with the Good News of Christ

Building Healthy Families for Sept 5th: Have you ever been inside a cave? Besides the flashlight you hopefully brought in with you, it is complete darkness. The luxury of flipping on a switch to turn the electricity on just isn't there. Many people right here in lowa live every day in the darkness. We know that in a world of darkness, Jesus is our light! He invites us to share that Light. How can you do that this week? "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14 Lutheran ~ Lutheran Family Service of lowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900. www.LutheranFamilyService.org

Life Quote for Sept 5th: "The people you tell today are the ones who get to tell the next group of people yet to be born. Someday our children will be telling their children about their Savior, knowing God's Word and His story of grace, because you model it and share it every day. Because you put your trust in God." Linda Buxa, Time of Grace ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour Ministries for Sept. 12th: Hear "Who is my Neighbor?" based on Luke 10:25-37 by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We can't build a more hopeful neighborhood if we don't know who our neighbors are and we go out of our way to avoid them. ~ 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.

LWML Update: About \$93 was collected in the noisy bucket from last Sunday. **THANK YOU** to all who contributed!

Life Thoughts in the Church Year: Trinity XIV – Jesus' merciful words and ways work life and healing (Proverbs 4:20-22). He brings forth brilliant and abundant fruit (Galatians 5:22-23) even from flesh like ours (Galatians 5:19-21) that was born broken. We who take these words to heart—and the hearts we touch with them—will live indeed. Gracious Savior, bring life to us and bring life through us. Amen.

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Cleaning: Household(s) responsible for the week of 9/5--9/11 is Louden. Household(s) responsible for the week of 9/12--9/18 is Mahaffey. 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 the church office at manuelutheran@iowatelecom.net no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

Celebrating Baptismal Birthdays This Week

Tammy Smith...Wednesday

Celebrating Birthdays This Week

Jordan Cloyed...Saturday

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

5th/6th Grade Confirmation Memory Work for September 8 All Books of the Old Testament

7th/8th Grade Confirmation Memory Work for September 8 Lord's Prayer: Introduction & Meaning



News and Notes #1 from LWML Iowa East District

The LWML Iowa East District (IED) women voted at their 2020 Convention to support 14 different mission projects totaling \$105,000.00 through the collection of LWML "mites".

Based on the Biblical account of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4), the Mite Box is intended for regular contributions of "mites" — offerings above and beyond the support given to congregations and the LCMS. Nationally, Mite Box contributions amount to millions of dollars that fund district and national mission grants and implement the LWML program.

Of the 14 IED Mission Grants, the first three (3) are for educational expenses for men and women of Iowa East District going into full-time church work.

Grant # 1, in the amount of \$15,000, is for Concordia Undergraduate Student Aid.

Grant # 2, in the amount of \$10,000, is for Concordia Seminary Student Aid

Grant #3, in the amount of \$5,000 is for Concordia Deacon/Deaconess Graduate Student Aid

Applications for each of the above are received and approved in the Spring for distribution prior to the beginning of the Fall semester. For the 2021-2022 Academic year, 4 students are receiving assistance.

For more information, please contact Margaret Kistler at president@lwml-ied.org

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This year St. Paul Lutheran Church in McGregor, Iowa celebrates its 90th anniversary. As part of our anniversary celebration during the weekend of September 11th and 12th, we are hosting a day of study with much fun on that Saturday for our members but we are also inviting all members of Iowa District East to participate. Along with an afternoon study on the Augsburg Confession with Rev. Dr. Ken Schurb the day will include Matins, a hymn sing, an hour background on where the reformation took place over in Germany and Dr. Martin Luther and his wife, Katharina von Bora, in person. You heard right, Martin Luther and Katie, in person. This event is free and sure to be a day you will remember.

Please consider joining us on Saturday, September 11th in McGregor. The day begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. so the event can really be a day trip. We ask that you call ahead to reserve a seat so that we can plan and prepare ahead accordingly. To reserve a seat or ask for more information please call Dave Wesener, event co-chair, at (715) 459-6204 for additional information.

Come for the morning, the afternoon, or all day. It's all free, all day, unless you choose to enjoy the German favorites lunch in our fellowship hall.

Dave Wesener

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, McGregor, Iowa 2021 - St. Paul's 90th Anniversary Year The Word of the Lord Endures Forever

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS

For the week of August 29, 2021

Attendance 40 Communion 29

General Fund \$13,686.41 Missions \$25.00

WEEK AHEAD

Today 8:00am Elders Meeting

9:00am 14th Sunday after Trinity 10:30am Sunday School/Bible Study

Greeter: Huedepohl Usher: Verne Cadwell

Servers: Esther Huedepohl/Richelle Mahaffey

Acolyte/Crucifier: Kaitlynn/Elizabeth

Elder: Steve Haase

Missions: IDE Student Aid

Tues. 10:00am Greek Study, Pastor in Newton

Wed. 12:00pm GMA

4-5:30pm 5th/6th Confirmation 5:30-7pm 7th/8th Confirmation

Thurs. 11:00am Bible Study

1-3pm Pastor in class

Fri/Sat. LWML Fall Retreat, Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

Sat. 9am-3:30pm St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

90th Anniversary, McGregor

Next Sun. 8:00am Council Meeting

9:00am 15th Sunday after Trinity 10:30am Sunday School/Bible Study 11:30am Board of Education Meeting

Greeter: Johnson

Usher: Richard Huedepohl

Servers: Julie Roberts/Denise Cadwell

Acolyte/Crucifier: Sloane/Lauren

Elder: Joel McDonough