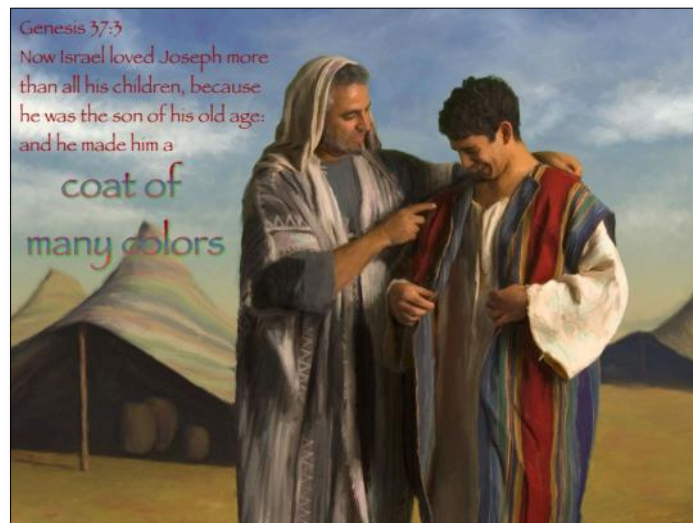


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September 27, 2020

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PRELUDE *During this time, everyone giggles and chats while waiting for the YouTube video to load.*

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Faithful God,

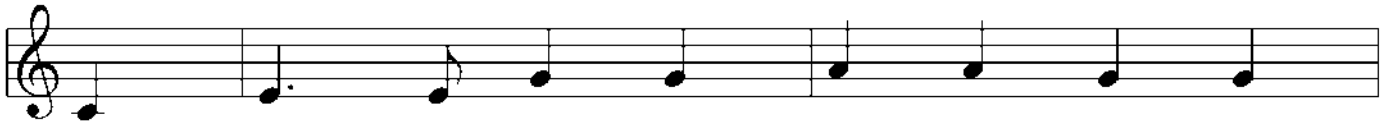
C **have mercy on us. We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways. We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves. We place our own needs before those of our neighbors. We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves. Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims: Your sins are forgiven in the name of ☐ Jesus Christ. Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.

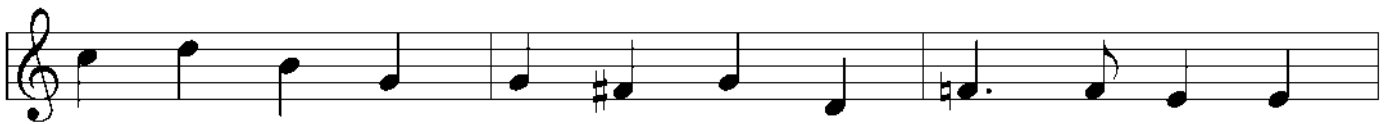
C **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less



1 My hope is built on noth - ing less than
2 When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sus -
4 When he shall come with trum - pet sound, oh,



Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness; no mer - it of my
rest on his un - chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and
tain me in the rag - ing flood; when all sup - ports are
may I then in him be found, clothed in his righ - teous -



own I claim, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
storm - y gale my an - chor holds with - in the veil.
washed a - way, he then is all my hope and stay.
ness a - lone, re - deemed to stand be - fore the throne!

Refrain



On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Text: Edward Mote, 1797–1874, alt.
Music: MILITA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

C **God of dreams and hope,
You spoke to Joseph in his dreams, and those dreams led him to great danger. Yet you used the challenges in his life to save the lives of others. In you, no good thing is accidental. You work in us and through us, even when we are not aware of your presence. Help us to know that you are with us, and that only you are capable of turning all evil to good. Amen.**



FIRST READING *Genesis 37:-8, 17b-22, 26-34, 50:15-21 (p. 30)*

R ^{37:3}Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. ⁴But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. ⁵Once Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him even more. ⁶He said to them, "Listen to this dream that I dreamed. ⁷There we were, binding sheaves in the field. Suddenly my sheaf rose and stood upright; then your sheaves gathered around it, and bowed down to my sheaf." ⁸His brothers said to him, "Are you indeed to reign over us? Are you indeed to have dominion over us?" So they hated him even more because of his dreams and his words.

^{17b}So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. ¹⁸They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. ¹⁹They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. ²⁰Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." ²¹But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." ²²Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" — that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

²⁶Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? ²⁷Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. ²⁸When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. ²⁹When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes. ³⁰He returned to his brothers, and said, "The boy is gone; and I, where can I turn?" ³¹Then they took Joseph's robe, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the robe in the blood. ³²They had the long robe with sleeves taken to their father, and they said, "This we have found; see now whether it is your son's robe or not." ³³He recognized it, and said, "It is my son's robe! A wild animal has devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn to pieces." ³⁴Then Jacob tore his garments, and put sackcloth on his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

^{50:15}Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷"Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

R The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL VERSE

C **Alleluia. [Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.] Alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 35th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL

Luke 6:35 (p. 838)

P ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Robert Neubert online

HYMN OF THE DAY

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling



- 1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
- 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
- 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!"
par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909
Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson

THE CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

P In all the world, give your church unity. Inspire all the baptized with the mind of Christ. Where the church is powerful and where it struggles, shape us with humility and obedience so that your love may be at work in us. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Your Son took on all of bodily life in our world, even to death. Preserve and keep your creation, O God. Mend and redeem places that are polluted and damaged, so that all of creation confesses you as Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Turn the nations toward life. Where our ways are unfair, give us new hearts and new spirits. Where sin permeates our cultures and institutions (especially), change our minds and teach us to trust your authority. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Thank you for those who have gone into the kingdom ahead of us—tax collectors and prostitutes, likely and unlikely, obedient and slow to learn. By their witness, teach us to confess Jesus Christ as Lord in life and in death. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Turn this congregation away from our own interests toward the interests of others. Fill us with your compassion and sympathy. Bless ministries of care in our community; make us into signs of your mercy and justice for our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Our lives are yours, O God. Defend the lives and welfare of children who are abused or neglected, hungry or exploited, bullied or lonely. Relieve the suffering of those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, especially today we lift up Tina Bauman, Lisa Thompson, Bev Lowe, Harper DeBauche, Helen Knuteson, Rudy Nielsen Lucy Wisner, Marv McCoy, Dave Wisner, Stuart Svoboda, Chris McFarlin, Diane Moore and the family & friends of Mary Skinvik and Cheri Krisher. Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin, Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup let us pray the prayer our Lord taught us.

THE 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.**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION INSTRUMENTAL



COMMUNION BENEDICTION

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

P We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ and the Holy Spirit, the comforter, bless you and keep you in eternal love.

C **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Go, My Children, with My Blessing



1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.
2 "Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.
4 "I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.



Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
I the Lord will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er.
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.
I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own."
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure."
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free."
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."

Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919

Music: AR HYDY NOS, Welsh

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DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God. Amen.



Joseph's brothers were jealous of him and in their anger sold him to merchants going to Egypt.

PRAYERS & CARES

Our Prayer List: Contact Peri Beal with prayer concerns. Unless otherwise advised, names remain on our list for two weeks.

Tina Bauman
Lisa Thompson (daughter of Bob & Jeannette Gehrke)
Bev Lowe
Harper DeBauche
Helen Knuteson
Rudy Nielsen
Lucy Wisner
Stuart Svoboda
Dave Wisner
Marv McCoy
Chris McFarlin
Diane Moore
Family & friends of Cheri Krisher and Mary Skinvik

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Dave Wisner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Due to the continued spread of the COVID-19 virus, the leadership of Burke Lutheran Church has voted to suspend all worship services and gatherings until further notice. If you need to talk to Pastor Rob, please call his cell phone or email him directly. May God's love and peace surround you and comfort you in these anxious days ahead.

Alternate Fill the Altar: Rather than our usual food donation, please make direct donations to The River or Sunshine Place food pantries. Please give generously, many people who count on school lunch programs or face lay offs are going to need a lot of help in the weeks ahead.

Bulletin Announcements: Bulletin deadline is noon on Wednesdays. Send them to burkelutheran@att.net.

October Light of Life: Articles are due now. Send items via email to burkelutheran@att.net.

Hospitalized?: Please let the hospital staff know you are a member of Burke Lutheran Church so we are notified.

Budget News: Despite the quarantine, several members have made special contributions. Please do whatever you can to help Burke pay its \$150,000 annual budget. Contributions through 8/31 for the last 3 years:

2020	\$88,870
2019	\$83,221
2018	\$75,646

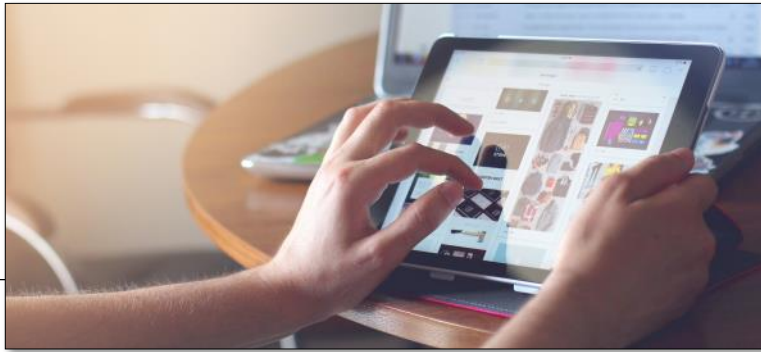
The South-Central Synod of Wisconsin cordially invites you to attend the Worship Celebration and Installation Service for Bishop Joy Mortensen-Wiebe, Sunday, October 11, 2020 at 1:00 in the afternoon.

We will gather as the body of Christ for this Service of Word. During this time of social distancing due to the pandemic, this service will be held via live stream. You can join from the Bishop Installation page on the synod's website: www.scsw-elca.org/bishopinstallation.



Children and Adults are invited to pray for the bishop-elect as she begins her transition to her call as bishop of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin, ELCA. A way to show our unity in blessing our new bishop is to participate in this activity offered by the planning team. We invite your Sunday school children, confirmands, high schoolers and adults ...anyone interested ...to color a downloadable coloring sheet. Please pray for the bishop and the synod as you color these leaves. Think of us as the veins of the leaf as we offer life to each other and to the body of Christ. The various textures and patterns represent the varied gifts that God has given us as we are sent into the world as disciples of Christ. Then send or drop off your coloring sheets to the synod office by October 2. These creative representations and prayers offered up will become a visual element of the worship celebration. (There are three styles to choose from for various ages and skills.) Download the sheets from here: <https://www.scsw-elca.org/bishopinstallation>.

Send your colored sheets flat by October 2 to:
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Madison, WI 53719



ONLINE CHECK-IN

AKA BIBLE STUDY

Join Pastor Rob via Zoom each Thursday at approximately 1:00pm for a bit of chat with a dash of bible study. Watch for the link via Facebook on the Burke Check-In page. Not on Facebook? Contact Pastor Rob to get the link.

A photograph of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a white headscarf and white sunglasses, smiling while driving a car. The car's interior and steering wheel are visible. The background is a bright, outdoor setting.

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Drive-In Service

November 1

9:30am

All Saints & Confirmation

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SAVE THE DATE

Our Drive-In Services are a success, so we're doing it again. Mark your calendar for the first Sunday in November for our next Drive-In Service! More details will be coming later this month via our weekly email blast, website, and Facebook page.