



Lord of Life
Lutheran Church



*Loved by God,
Sent to Serve.*

19th Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2022
10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Setting Eight

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Prelude: “All the Way My Savior Leads Me”

Duane Funderburk

Gathering Song: *Our God Saves*

In the name of the Father in the name of the Son
In the name of the Spirit Lord we come
We're gather'd together to lift up Your name
To call on our Savior to fall on Your grace

Hear the joyful sound of our offering
As Your saints bow down as Your people sing
We will rise with You lifted on Your wings
And the world will see that

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There is hope in Your name
Mourning turns to songs of praise
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Greeting

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

And also with you.

Canticle of Praise

Refrain

Glory to God in the highest, the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

- 1 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. **Refrain**
- 2 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. **Refrain**
- 3 For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. Amen. **Refrain (x2)**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

Returning to the home he had fled many years before after stealing his brother's birthright and his father's blessing, Jacob wrestles all night long with a divine adversary who ultimately blesses him and changes his name to "Israel," a name that means "he wrestles with God."

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince,

rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: *Word of God, Speak*

Word of God speak, would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
to be still and know that You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest, in Your holiness
Word of God speak (**repeat**)

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Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus tells a parable of an unjust judge who is worn down by a widow's pleas. Jesus is calling God's people to cry out for justice and deliverance. For if an unethical judge will ultimately grant the plea of a persistent widow, how much more will God respond to those who call.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Song of the Day: *All My Hope*

Light in my darkness peace for my soul
You are my rescue You never let go **(REPEAT)**

All my hope is in You all my strength is in You
With every breath my soul will rest in You

Here in my weakness always the same
Your love is my shelter Your life is my way

All my hope is in You all my strength is in You
With every breath my soul will rest in You **(REPEAT)**

Constant Savior friend forever Lord You have my heart
Sure foundation never failing Lord You have my heart

All my hope is in You all my strength is in You
With every breath my soul will rest in You

All the earth beneath You all my life before You
With every breath my soul will rest in You
With every breath my soul will rest in You

Prayers of Intercession

... Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**
...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering: *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

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Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.



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Offering Prayer in Unison

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Holy Communion

Preparing for the Table

...So if we come to this table angry,
Let this bread and wine be our peace.

If we come to this table broken,
Let this bread and wine be our grace.

If we come to this table betrayed,
Let this bread and wine be our wholeness.

If we come to this table in despair,
Let this bread and wine be our life.

For this is a holy table, with food to fill the hungry world and wine to quench thirsty hearts.

Thanks be to God!

Words of Institution

When Jesus ate with his friends, He took bread, and after blessing it, He broke it and gave it to them saying:

"Take, eat; this is my body given for you. Each time you do this, remember me."

Then he took the cup, and after giving thanks, passed it to his friends, saying:

"Drink. This cup poured out for you and for all people is the promise of God. Whenever you drink it, remember me."

We remember Jesus' death and resurrection, our hope and our life. We break bread and share the one cup.

Thanks be to God!

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Communion Distribution Song: *Eat This Bread*

ELW 472

"Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst."

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Prayer after Communion

Let us pray.

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Announcements

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Song: *All the People Said Amen*

You are not alone if you are lonely
When you feel afraid, you're not the only
We are all the same, in need of mercy,
to be forgiven and be free
It's all you got to lean on, but thank God, it's all you need

Refrain

And all the people said Amen, whoa
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord,
for His love never ends
And all the people said Amen

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter
weak or strong, you know love is what we're after
We're all broken, but we're all in this together
God knows we stumble and fall
and He so loved the world He sent His Son to save us all **Refrain**

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart
Blessed are the people hungry for another start
for theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God **Refrain x2**

And all the people said Amen

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Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “*All the People Said Amen*”

Announcements

Worship Online

Zoom:

<https://bit.ly/2PvSCQJ>
Meeting ID: 563 582 7371
Passcode: Luther

Phone in at:

(312) 626-6799
Meeting ID: 563 582 7371
Passcode: 456037

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are provided by Pastor Paul in celebration of Lorice's birthday.

This Week at Lord of Life

Today	8:00 AM	Worship in-person or online
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	9:15 AM	Adult Forum Re: Bylaws/council structure
	10:30 AM	Worship NOW in-person or online
	6:00 PM	9 th grade Confirmation
Wednesday, October 19	6:00 PM	7 th /8 th Grade Confirmation/Mentor night
	6:30 PM	Choir rehearsal
	7:00 PM	Bell Choir rehearsal
Friday, October 21	6:00 PM	Halloween Parade Hospitality

Halloween Parade Hospitality Help Needed

On Friday, October 21st Lord of Life will once again provide pre-parade hospitality. We are looking for donations of cookies and treats to hand out. We are also in need of helpers to serve hot chocolate and treats to the crowd. It's a LOT of fun and the kids, and the City of Asbury, really appreciate our efforts. Contact Pastor Paul to sign up and to bring treats.

Notice of Congregational Meeting

A special congregation meeting will be held on **October 23 at 9:15** in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Ratify the Constitution: at the last annual meeting the congregation voted to accept changes to the constitution. We are required to have a ratification vote to complete the process.
2. Accept changes to the bylaws: One of the goals of revising the constitution was to also align the bylaws with the constitution and to remove any duplicated language between bylaws and constitution.

A summary of new bylaw language is available in printed form in the gathering space. You may also request a copy by calling the office.

A full copy of the Constitution which includes bylaws language is available upon request. Please contact the church office.

All Saint's Sunday

We invite you to submit the names of loved ones who've died in the past 12 months for reading during the All Saints Sunday service (November 6th). Please contact the office with the information. Thank you.

Breakfast with the Saints!

Join us for a special breakfast gathering between services on All Saints Sunday (November 6th) as we enjoy food and conversation and memories together. Sign up at the coffee bar if you plan to attend. We can't wait to see you there!

Adopt a College Student

We will be adopting college students again this November. The first step is to collect information about students pursuing secondary education. If you have a child you'd like to include in the program, please email Maria Troftgruben the following information by October 30th:

Student's Name, School Address, Favorite snack, Favorite candy, Ideas for small gift cards, Field of study/what they are doing right now, any other helpful information, Date they return home for winter break

Prayer List

Marilyn Koehler

Mark Koehler

Josh & Ashley Lamey and family

Eleanor Lang

Dean & Robin Lilleskov

Barb Lindecker

Amanda & Sean Mairet and family

Servants:

Sunday October 16

	Tech	Assisting	Reader	Ushers
8:00 AM	Nate F.		Steve Heer	Heers
10:30 AM		Roger Klosterman		

Sunday October 23

8:00 AM			Kevin Curoe	Tim Shade Sandy Arp
10:30 AM	Nate F. Timothy T.	Luke Boyle	Diane Frambach	Val Kennedy

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