



“THY WORD IS TRUTH.”

John 17:17

Allowing God's Word to shape
how we view the world around us



Weekend Worship
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 9 & 10, 2022

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Weekend Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 AM
Adult Bible Class 9:15 AM

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG

(Saturday) “Cornerstone” / “Lord, I Need You”

(Sunday) “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

LSB 770

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev’rything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear—
All because we do not carry ev’rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our ev’ry weakness—take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He’ll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

*Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess
our sins unto God our Father, imploring Him in the name of our
Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of
the Lord,*

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Pastor: O Almighty God, merciful Father,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your present and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 45:1-8

(Joseph reconciles with his brothers.)

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all his attendants, and he cried out, "Have everyone leave my presence!" So there was no one with Joseph when he made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard him, and Pharaoh's household heard about it. Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father still living?" But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come close to me." When they had done so, he said, "I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance. "So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:17-32

(As followers of Christ, we are called to live differently than those in the world around us.)

So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

That, however, is not the way of life you learned when you heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 18:15-20

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter, beginning at the 15th verse.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Pastor: Together, as God’s People, united in faith by our Ascended Lord, let us join together professing our common faith using the words of the Apostles Creed:

People: 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.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

(Saturday)

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

LSB 770

(Sunday)

“What Is the World to Me”

LSB 730

What is the world to me with all its vaunted pleasure
When You, and You alone, Lord Jesus, are my treasure!
You only, dearest Lord, my soul’s delight shall be;
You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!

The world seeks to be praised and honored by the mighty
Yet never once reflects that they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize above all things is He,
My Jesus, He alone. What is the world to me!

The world seeks after wealth and all that mammon offers
Yet never is content though gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good, content with it I’ll be:
My Jesus is my wealth. What is the world to me!

What is the world to me! My Jesus is my treasure,
My life, my health, my wealth, my friend, my love, my pleasure,
My joy, my crown, my all, my bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare: what is the world to me!

THE MESSAGE

“Fight the Good Fight”

Pastor Chris Ryan

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Special prayers are lifted...we then join together in speaking:

All: 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.

THE BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG

(Saturday)

“Your Grace is Enough”

(Sunday)

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LSB 700

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav’n, to earth come down!
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev’ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit; let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then Thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee,
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav’n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!

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Our Sr. High Youth are now on their mission trip to Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota. Please keep them in your prayers as they serve and share the Gospel with those in need!

Mission Trip 2022 Team:

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John Wedel, and Stacy West.**

Adult Leaders:

**Lisa Walters, Dan Headley,
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