

Christ

Lives In Me

Galatians 2:20



Weekend Worship
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 14 & 15, 2022

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This Week's Worship Services:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 & 9:30 AM
Confirmation Service 11:00 AM

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*O Lord, my Creator, Redeemer, and Comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness.
Hear me for the sake of His Name. Amen.*

WORDS OF WELCOME

(We rise)

WE BEGIN IN SONG

(Saturday) “As We Gather”/ “The Cross”/ “I Am Crucified with Christ”

(Sunday) “Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain” **LSB 865**

Lord, help us ever to retain the Catechism’s doctrine plain
As Luther taught the Word of truth in simple style to tender youth.

Help us Your holy Law to learn, to mourn our sin and from it turn
In faith to You and to Your Son and Holy Spirit, Three in One.

Hear us, dear Father, when we pray for needed help from day to day
That as Your children we may live, whom you baptized and so received.

Lord, when we fall or go astray, absolve and lift us up, we pray;
And through the Sacrament increase our faith till we depart in peace.

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

People: Amen.

Pastor: We read responsively selected verses from 2 Corinthians 5: So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view.

People: Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer.

Pastor: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:

People: The old has gone, the new is here!

Pastor: All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

People: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

Pastor: We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

People: We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

Pastor: God made him who had no sin to be sin for us,

People: so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Pastor: Let us go before our faithful and awesome God to confess our sins to Him. Lord God, Heavenly Father,

People: You have called us to be Your ambassadors to the world. But, we have often forgotten our calling. We have lived for ourselves. We have done what You have forbidden. We have strayed. Forgive us, Lord, for Jesus' sake, and fill us afresh with the Holy Spirit once again that we might be able and willing to let Jesus live out His life in us. Amen.

Pastor: For the sake of Jesus, God has forgiven us. We have a fresh start once again to yield our lives to the will and plan of God's Holy Spirit. Therefore go in that forgiveness to be His ambassadors once again in the Name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

(Because of the price Jesus paid, you and I get the honor of being the home of the Holy Spirit!)

Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually sins against their own body. Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:13-16

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter, beginning at the 13th verse.

People: *(sung)* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: *(sung)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

Pastor: Together, as God’s People, united in faith by the One Who is the Light of the World, 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)

“No Longer I”

(Sunday)

“Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me”

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Jesus, Thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare;
Unite my thankful heart to Thee, and reign without a rival there!
Thine wholly, Thine alone I am; be Thou alone my constant flame.

O grant that nothing in my soul may dwell, but Thy pure love alone;
Oh, may Thy love possess me whole, my joy, my treasure, and my crown!
All coldness from my heart remove; my ev'ry act, word, thought be love.

This love unwearied I pursue and dauntlessly to Thee aspire.
Oh, may Thy love my hope renew, burn in my soul like heav'nly fire!
And day and night, be all my care to guard this sacred treasure there.

In suffering be Thy love my peace, in weakness be Thy love my pow'r;
And when the storms of life shall cease, O Jesus, in that final hour,
Be Thou my rod and staff and guide, and draw me safely to Thy side!

THE MESSAGE “Jesus’ Love Through You His Glove” Pastor Ryan Clark

RITE OF CONFIRMATION (11:00 AM)

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)

“Take Me Life”

(Sunday)

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

LSB 783

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King;
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

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