







Weekend Worship Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost LWML Sunday October 22 & 23, 2022

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Weekend Worship Services:

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

(Sat) "Same God"/ "Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"/ "Jesus Strong & Kind"

(Sunday)

"God Himself is Present"

LSB 907

God Himself is present: Let us now adore Him And with awe appear before Him. God is in His temple; All within keep silence; Humbly kneel in deepest rev'rence. He alone on His throne is our God and Savior; Praise His name forever!

God Himself is present: Hear the harps resounding; See the hosts the throne surrounding. "Holy, holy, holy!" Hear the hymn ascending, Songs of saints and angels blending. Bow Your ear to us here: Hear, O Christ, the praises That Your Church now raises.

Fount of ev'ry blessing, purify my spirit, Trusting only in Your merit. Like the holy angels, worshiping before You, May I ceaselessly adore You. Let Your will ever still rule Your Church terrestrial As the hosts celestial.

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 Psalm 139: You have

searched me, Lord, and you know me.

People: You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my

thoughts from afar.

Pastor: You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with

all my ways.

People: Before a word is on my tongue, you, Lord, know it

completely.

Pastor: You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to

attain.

Pastor: Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your

presence?

People: If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in

the depths, you are there.

Pastor: If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

People: even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will

hold me fast.

Pastor: Let us go before our God, confessing our sins and asking for His

forgiveness. O Almighty God, merciful God,

People: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess to Thee all my sins and

iniquities, with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserve Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them; and I pray Thee, of Thy boundless mercy, and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter suffering and death of Thy beloved Son. Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor.

sinful being.

Pastor: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us, and

has given His Only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His Name, He gives power to become the sons of God, and bestows upon them His Holy Spirit. He that believes, and is baptized, shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, unto

us all.

People: Amen!

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Amazing Grace"

Handbell Ensemble

BAPTISM (10:30)

Harlow Andora Bremmer

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 16:7-13

(God reveals Himself to Hagar as Jehovah Jireh, the God who sees her!)

The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. And he said, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?"
"I'm running away from my mistress Sarai," she answered. Then the angel of the LORD told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count."

The angel of the Lord also said to her: "You are now pregnant and you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the LORD has heard of your misery. He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers." She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her: "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees me."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE SECOND LESSON Acts 9:1-16

(God saw Saul and had a plan for him, to proclaim His Name to many people.)

Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything.

In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight."

"Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. I will show him how much he must suffer for my name."

Reader: This is the word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 1:45-51

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter, beginning

with the 45th verse.

People: Glory to You, O Lord!

Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that." He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on' the Son of Man."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: Praise to You, O Christ!

Pastor: Together, as God's People, united in faith by the One who sees us and

knows us, 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.

COLLECTION OF CONNECT CARDS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY

(Saturday) "The King of My Heart"

(Sunday) "With the Lord Begin Your Task" LSB 869

With the Lord begin your task; Jesus will direct it. For His aid and counsel ask; Jesus will perfect it. Every morn with Jesus rise, and when day is ended, In His name then close your eyes; be to Him commended.

Let each day begin with prayer, praise, and adoration. On the Lord cast every care; He is your salvation. Morning, evening, and at night, Jesus will be near you, Save you from the tempter's might, with His presence cheer you. With your Savior at your side, foes need not alarm you; In His promises confide, and no ill can harm you. All your trust and hope repose in the mighty Master, Who in wisdom truly knows how to stem disaster.

If your task be thus begun with the Savior's blessing, Safely then your course will run, toward the promise pressing. Good will follow everywhere while you here must wander; You at last the joy will share in the mansions yonder.

Thus, Lord Jesus, every task be to You commended; May Your will be done, I ask, until life is ended. Jesus, in Your name begun be the day's endeavor; Grant that it may well be done to Your praise forever.

THE MESSAGE "El Roi: The God Who Sees Me" Pastor Ryan Clark

LWML PLEDGE

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 BENEDICTION

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

(We rise)

WE CLOSE IN SONG

(Saturday)

"Another in the Fire"

(Sunday)

"When Peace Like a River"

LSB 763

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way;

When sorrows, like sea billows roll,

Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,

It is well, it is well, with my soul.

It is well.....with my soul......it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,

Let this blessed assurance control:

That Christ has regarded my helpless estate

And has shed his own blood, for my soul.

It is well.....with my soul......it is well, it is well with my soul.

He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;

My sin, not in part but the whole,

Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well.....with my soul......it is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

The trumpet will sound and the Lord shall descend,

Even so, it is well, with my soul.

It is well.....with my soul......it is well, it is well with my soul.

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