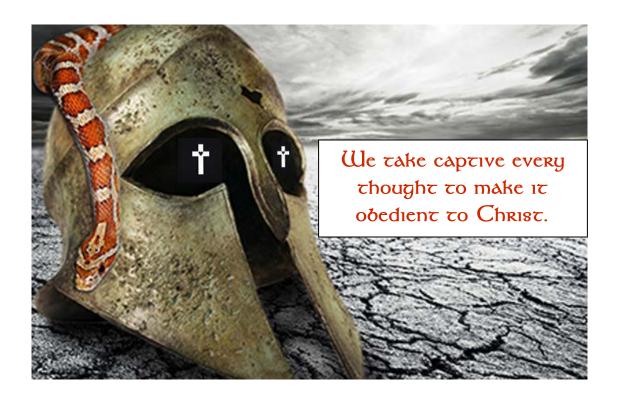
# 9th Sunday of Pentecost August 2, 2020



#### Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

(Wisconsin Synod) 1332 Arrowhead Rd. Grafton, Wisconsin 53024

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

**WORSHIP NOTES** We're glad that you're here this morning. Our struggle is not only with a wayward world "out there." Our struggle becomes bitterly personal when we discover that our own nature betrays us. When we follow Christ we are remade into a new person. But the old person doesn't want to move out or move on. He or she lurks around the edges suggesting old thoughts of self-pity and self-righteousness. Then we forget that grace is a gift from someone beyond us, bigger than us who still loves us. We forget that we owe our allegiance to a savior who was willing to sacrifice everything that we might "be his own and live under him in his kingdom." Today we examine that inner thought process that the Apostle gives over to Jesus.

**HOLY COMMUNION** Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper to assure us of forgiveness and provide us a "Holy Communion" with him and with one another. That communion includes an understanding that Jesus' body and blood are given us with bread and wine, and it means that receiving the sacrament together is an expression of oneness in belief. Out of love for our guests we ask that they speak to a pastor or staff minister before receiving the sacrament, to discover whether they share the convictions of this Lutheran congregation.

<u>PRAYER OF THE DAY</u> Lord, help us to learn what is necessary to do to be free from those things that oppress us, hinder us, and destroy our humanity or weaken our witness. Make us willing and obedient sons and daughters, bowing to the superb leadership and love of Jesus Christ, acknowledging his role as our Savior and our Lord. We pray in his name, Amen.

**GUESTS** Welcome to our visitors!



OPENING HYMN

"Speak O Lord"

p. 10

CWS, # 735

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

CW, p. 26

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

#### **CONFESSION OF SINS**

- **P:** God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### **INSTALLATION OF CALLED WORKERS**

10:30 am

#### BAPTISM – EMPHASIS ON THE CALL TO BE A CHILD OF GOD

**HYMN** "See This Wonder in the Making" p. 10

CW, #300

#### **EPISTLE LESSON 1 PETER 4:1-8**

Living as wheat among weeds means leaving our lives of sin behind and living for the will of God with an eye on the coming harvest. Although righteousness and wickedness must coexist until the judgment, Peter reminded his readers that they had spent enough of their lives living in sin. The time had come for a clean break with the world. Just because we have to live in the world, doesn't mean we have to be of it. Yes, this break with the world will lead to our persecution. When it happens, fix your eyes on the coming harvest. As you bear up under suffering, take heart and know that all mankind will be judged. The end of all things is near, so live like wheat among the weeds of this world by loving each other deeply with that forgiving love found only in Christ.

Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin. As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. They think it strange that you do not plunge with them into the same flood of dissipation, and they heap abuse on you. But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to men in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.

#### **GOSPEL** MATTHEW 13:24-30, 36-43

God intended to have a weed-free field of wheat. From the beginning, however, the enemy thwarted his intentions with temptation and sin. The Lord most certainly has a plan to separate the wheat and weeds—just not yet. He has servants standing by to the work—it's just not us. Instead, God urges his people to live with their eye on the coming harvest. God does not want us to try and separate wheat from weeds before then. Christ tells us to live as wheat among the weeds of this world and wait expectantly for the harvest when the angels will sort it all out: weeds to fire, and wheat to shine as the righteous sons of God in the kingdom of their Father.

Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared. "The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?" "'An enemy did this," he replied. "The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' "'No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn." Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. "As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.



**HYMN OF THE DAY** 

"First Song of Isaiah"

p. 12

**SERMON** 2 Corinthians 10:2-6 "Taking Every Thought into Captivity"

NICENE CREED CW, p. 31

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

#### SERVICE CONTINUES WITH PRAYER, concluding with THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 SACRAMENT

**P:** Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

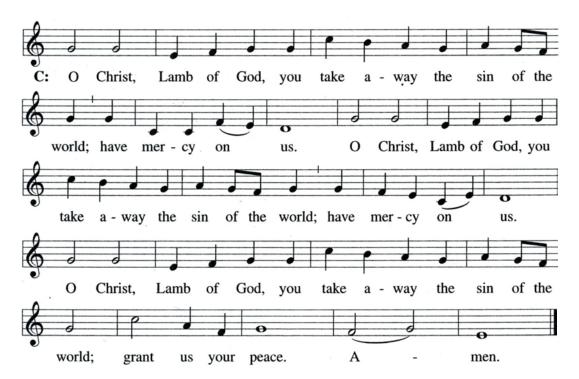


#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**P:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." The peace of the Lord be with you always.

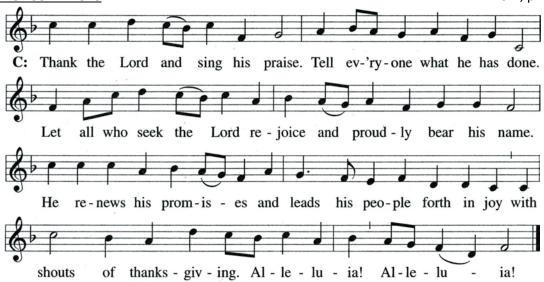


#### O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



#### **DISTRIBUTION**

SERVICE CONTINUES CW, p. 36



P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### **INSTALLATION OF CALLED WORKERS**

8:00 am

#### THE BLESSING FROM OUR GOD

**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



#### **SILENT PRAYER**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BAPTISM** - We welcome Rudy Randall Duemke into the family of God through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Rudy's parents are Ross & Casie Duemke.



SPEAK, O LORD (8 10 8 10 10 10 8 10)

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## See This Wonder in the Making

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### The First Song of Isaiah

All: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior

**All:** Therefore you shall draw— water with rejoicing

From— the springs of salvation

And on that day you shall say— "Give thanks to the Lord!"

And call upon his name

All: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior

**Solo:** Make his deeds known among the peoples

See that they remember that his name is exalted

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things

And this is known in all the world

All: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior

All: Cry aloud, in-habitants of Zion

Ring— out— your joy

For the great one in—the midst of you

Is the Holy One of Israel

All: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior

# Welcome To Our Newest Staff Member's



Pastor Mike Hintz Pulpit Assistant

Mrs. Amanda Gronholz Teacher, Departmentalized





**Mr. Jonathan Hahm** Principal



#### Come Klomp the Kettles at the 9th Annual Kettle Klomp at KML

Pre-registered participants are eligible for one of the following gift cards:

- Coffeeville in Jackson
- Dairy Queen in Jackson/Kewaskum
- Kwik Trip
- Burghardt Sporting Goods

Register online at www.kmlhs.org/klomp by Friday, August 14.

All participants on Klomp Day, Saturday, August 15, will also be eligible for additional gift certificates.

#### THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (8/2) 8:00 AM Worship Service w/Communion 9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship Service w/Communion Monday 6:00 PM **LES Parent Confirmation Meeting** 6:30PM **OSLS Parent Registration Night** Thursday 7:00 PM **Worship Service Worship Service** Sunday (8/9) 8:00 AM 9:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM **Worship Service** 

Next Week's Readings

First Lesson Zechariah 9:9-10
Second Lesson Philippians 2:5-11
Gospel Matthew 21:1-11
Psalm Psalm 24

LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday

This service is also recorded for review after livestream.

Link on our website (see below).

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# THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Engaged in the Struggle of Life Service Theme

PASTOR:

Mark Wagner

MUSICIAN:

Zach Steinbach

Hymns: 735, 389, 300

#### **FIRST LESSON:**

1 Peter 4:1-8

#### GOSPEL:

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

#### THE SERMON:

2 Corinthians 10:2-6

"Taking Every Thought into Captivity"

#### **Flowers**

The flowers
this week are from
Ashley Steiner in
loving memory of her
Grandma & Grandpa
Dolar.