

10<sup>th</sup> Weekend After Pentecost    July 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word. Also,

- Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- We love families! Your children are welcome in our service. Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children’s bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- If you want to review or share today’s service, you can find it on our website.
- For upcoming events and activities, “like” us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY’S THEME:  
THE POWER OF PRAYER

Worship Participants

Liturgist ..... Pastor Jacob Hoff  
Preacher ..... Pastor Brian Adams  
Organist ..... Mrs. Marie Becker

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

DIVINE SERVICE I

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THE OPENING HYMN ..... “What a Friend we have in Jesus”  
Christian Worship #411

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, All our sins and  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, Cum - bered with a

griefs to bear! What a priv - i - lege to car - ry  
an - y - where? We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged—  
load of care? Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—

Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we of - ten  
Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a friend so  
Take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends de - spise, for -

for - feit, Oh, what need - less pain we bear, All be -  
faith - ful Who will all our sor - rows share? Je - sus  
sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer. In his

cause we do not car - ry Ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
arms he'll take and shield you; You will find a sol - ace there.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *(spoken)* Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY<sup>1</sup>

*Kyrie*

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us. A - men.

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: *(spoken)* Amen.

<sup>1</sup> *Kyrie* is the Greek word for *Lord*. The expression “Lord, have mercy” is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian Church.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

GLORY BE TO GOD<sup>2</sup>

*Gloria in Excelsis*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry! Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

<sup>2</sup> Christians praise God by proclaiming the great things he has done to accomplish our rescue from sin. “Glory to God in the Highest” has been a Christian song of worship since the fourth century.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us.

You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer, re -

ceive our prayer. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. Glo - ry to God in the

high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God!

## THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** *(spoken)* And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray.

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

*Please be Seated*

## THE WORD

### THE FIRST LESSON ..... Genesis 18:20-32

<sup>20</sup> Then the Lord said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous <sup>21</sup> that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know."

<sup>22</sup> The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. <sup>23</sup> Then Abraham approached him and said: “Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? <sup>24</sup> What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? <sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?”

<sup>26</sup> The Lord said, “If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake.”

<sup>27</sup> Then Abraham spoke up again: “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, <sup>28</sup> what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?”

“If I find forty-five there,” he said, “I will not destroy it.”

<sup>29</sup> Once again he spoke to him, “What if only forty are found there?”

He said, “For the sake of forty, I will not do it.”

<sup>30</sup> Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?”

He answered, “I will not do it if I find thirty there.”

<sup>31</sup> Abraham said, “Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?”

He said, “For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it.”

<sup>32</sup> Then he said, “May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?”

He answered, “For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it.”

THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 6  
Christian Worship pg. 66

*Refrain*



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

*Psalm tone*



O Lord, do not rebuke me in your 'anger\*  
or discipline me 'in your wrath.

O Lord, do not rebuke me in your 'anger\*  
or discipline me 'in your wrath.

Be merciful to me, Lord, for 'I am faint;\*  
O Lord, heal me, for my soul is in 'anguish.

Turn, O Lord, and de'live' me;\*  
save me because of your un'failing love.

**Refrain**

I am worn out from 'groaning.\*  
My eyes grow weak with 'sorrow.

Away from me, all you who do 'evil,\*  
for the Lord has heard my 'weeping.

The Lord has heard my cry for 'mercy;\*  
the Lord ac'cepts my prayer.

**Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son\*  
and to the Holy 'Spirit,  
as it was in the be'ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.**

**Refrain**

THE SECOND LESSON.....James 5:13-18

<sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

<sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. <sup>18</sup> Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

VERSE OF THE DAY

**P:** Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. (John 6:68 cf. NIV)

*Please Stand*

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... Luke 11:1-13



Glo-ry be to you, O Lord! Glo-ry be to you, O Lord!

<sup>11:1</sup> One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

<sup>2</sup> He said to them, “When you pray, say:

“‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup> Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.”

<sup>5</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; <sup>6</sup> a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him.’ <sup>7</sup> And suppose the one inside answers, ‘Don’t bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can’t get up and give you anything.’ <sup>8</sup> I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

<sup>9</sup> “So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup> For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>11</sup> “Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? <sup>12</sup> Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? <sup>13</sup> If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”



Praise be to you, O Christ! Praise be to you, O Christ!

THE APOSTLES’ CREED<sup>3</sup>

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

*Please be Seated*

CHILDREN’S TALK.....9:30 AM

<sup>3</sup> After listening to the reading of the Gospel, the Church confesses its faith in the Triune God.

THE HYMN OF THE DAY.....“Our Father, Who from Heaven Above”  
Christian Worship #410, vs. 1-4, 9

1 Our Fa - ther, who from heav'n a - bove  
2 Your name be hal - lowed. Help us, Lord,  
3 Your king - dom come, we hum - bly pray,  
4 Your gra - cious will on earth be done

Bids all of us to live in love  
In pu - ri - ty to keep your Word,  
That Christ may rule in us to - day  
Just as in heav'n a - round your throne,

As mem - bers of one fam - i - ly  
That to the glo - ry of your name  
And that your Ho - ly Spir - it bring  
That pa - tient - ly we may o - bey

And pray to be you in un - i - ty,  
We walk more to fore you free from blame.  
Still more to wor - ship Christ as King.  
Through - out our lives all that you say.

Teach us no thought - less words to say,  
Let no false doc - trine us per - vert;  
Break Sa - tan's pow'r, de - feat his rage;  
Curb sin - ful flesh and ev - 'ry ill

But from our in - most hearts to pray.  
All poor, de - lud - ed souls con - vert.  
Pre - serve your Church from age to age.  
That sets it - self a - gainst your will.

9. Amen, that is, it shall be so. Make strong our faith that we may know  
That we may doubt not but believe What here we ask we shall receive.  
Thus in your name and at your Word We say, “Amen. Oh, hear us, Lord!”

THE SERMON .....James 5:13-18

Please Stand

CREATE IN ME<sup>4</sup>

Cre - ate in me a  
pure heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with -  
in me. Do not cast me a - way from your  
pres - ence or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from  
me. Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -  
hold, up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Please Be Seated

THE OFFERING<sup>5</sup>

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

<sup>4</sup> Following the sermon and the blessing, the congregation stands to sing these words as a prayer for a clean heart and a renewed spirit in response to God’s gift of grace.

<sup>5</sup> Moved by God’s love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him.

*Please stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**  
**THE LORD’S PRAYER<sup>6</sup>**

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.

*Please be Seated*

**CONGREGATION HYMN ..... “In Christ Alone”**  
*Christian Worship Supplement #752*

1 In Christ a - lone my hope is found,  
2 In Christ a - lone— who took on flesh,  
3 There in the ground his bod - y lay,  
4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,

He is my light, my strength, my song;  
Full - ness of God in help - less babe.  
Light of the world by dark - ness slain;  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;

This cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground,  
This gift of love and right - eous - ness,  
Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day  
From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,

*Hymn continues on the next page*

<sup>6</sup> The traditional wording of the Lord’s Prayer stems from the 1662 Anglican *Book of Common Prayer* of the Church of England.

Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm.  
Scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Up from the grave he rose a - gain!  
Je - sus com - mands my des - tin - y.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
Till on that cross, as Je - sus died,  
And as he stands in vic - tor - y,  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man

When fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease!  
The wrath of God was sat - is - fied;  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
Can ev - er pluck me from his hand;

My Com - for - ter, my all in all,  
For ev - 'ry sin on him was laid.  
For I am his and he is mine—  
Till he re - turns or calls me home,

*(Fine)*

Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.  
Bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

*Please Stand*

**CLOSING PRAYER**

**P:** Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

**THE BLESSING<sup>7</sup>**

**P:** 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.  
**C:** *(spoken)* Amen.

*Please be Seated*

**Announcements**

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP:** This year’s Vacation Bible Camp begins on this Monday, July 25, at 9:00am. Well over 100 kids have registered for the camp this week. If you wish to see some of the pictures from each day, check out our website and on our Facebook page.

**PICNIC, CAMPFIRE, SING-ALONG:** We invite everyone, guests and members, young and old, all families to join us this coming Wednesday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, at church as we host a picnic supper. We will begin eating at 5:30pm. A campfire and sing-along will follow. Please bring your lawn chairs along. Come and join us for a fun evening!

**“THE STORY” BIBLE CLASS:** Our next bible class will be Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. As we continue to look at God’s story in the Bible, our lesson focuses on the theme: “The Battle Begins”. For those who may not be able to make it on a Saturday, we will be setting up a schedule for the class to be repeated during the week. Watch for a new schedule.

<sup>7</sup> The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God’s people for over 3,500 years. The Lord said, “So they will put my name on (them), and I will bless them.” (Numbers 6:27)

**WANTED: GROUP CONFIRMATION PICTURES:** Were you (or anyone you know) confirmed at St. Paul’s in any of the following years? A parent, grandparent or child? 1989, 1983,1981,1980,1972, 1965, 1962, 1961, 1960, 1959, 1958, 1957, 1955, 1954, 1952, 1951, 1950, 1948, 1943, 1941, 1940, 1939, 1938 or before. If you have a picture but aren’t sure of the year, if you know the name of someone in the picture, we can look up the year. Please let Pastor Adams know if you have a picture. It will be scanned and returned to you. Thank You!

**WELS BREWERS NIGHT:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual WELS Night will be Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, with the Brewers taking on the Pirates. We have a group of 21 people signed up! A reminder to those that have signed up, if you have not done so, please turn your payment into the office or place it (labeled) in the offering plate.

**Volunteers**

**GREETERS THIS WEEK (July 24 & 25)**  
**8:00 AM** – Larry & Marion Klug  
**9:30 AM** – Steve & Irva Baade  
**6:30 PM** – Dave & Janet Long

**GREETERS NEXT WEEK (July 31 & August 1)**  
**8:00 AM** – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen  
**9:30 AM** – Mark & Rosie Derouin  
**6:30 PM** – Joan Shevey

**USHERS FOR JULY**  
**8:00 AM** – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Brad Johnson, Frank Krajewski  
**9:30 AM** – TEAM #7 – Dave Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Brandon Wirtz, Austin Wirtz, Ian Wirtz, Randy Raduenz, Ian Eppen  
**6:30 PM** – TEAM #9 – Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

**ALTAR GUILD:**  
July 20-26 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Kelly Cannistra, Irva Baade  
July 27-Aug 2 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Kelly Cannistra, Irva Baade

**GRASS CUTTING:**  
July 27-30 – TEAM #1 – Gordy Lesser  
August 3-6 – TEAM #2 – Frank Krajewski



**The Weekly Schedule**

**Sunday, July 24**

Worship Service .....8:00 AM  
Worship Service .....9:30 AM

**Monday, July 25**

Vacation Bible Camp ..... 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
Worship Service ..... 6:30 PM

**Tuesday, July 26**

Vacation Bible Camp ..... 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Wednesday, July 27**

Vacation Bible Camp ..... 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Thursday, July 28**

Vacation Bible Camp ..... 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Friday, July 29**

Vacation Bible Camp ..... 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Sunday, July 31**

Worship Service .....8:00 AM  
Worship Service .....9:30 AM

**Statistics – Last Week**

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 75 , Communed – 67  
9:30 AM – 95 , Communed – 75  
6:30 PM – 63, Communed – 52  
Total Attendance – 233  
Communed Total - 194