

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 also 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:
FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST FIND TRUE TREASURE IN
TRUSTING GOD’S PROMISES

Worship Participants

Liturgist Pastor Jacob Hoff
Preacher Pastor Brian Adams
Organist Miss Heather Schmidt

OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

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THE OPENING HYMN “What Is the World to Me”

Christian Worship #477

Musical score for the hymn "What Is the World to Me" (Christian Worship #477). The score is written in 4/4 time and includes four systems of music with lyrics. The lyrics are: 1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed 2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the 3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mon - ey 4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my plea - sure When you, and you a - lone, Lord might - y, Yet nev - er once re - flects That of - fers, Yet nev - er is con - tent Though trea - sure, My life, my health, my wealth, My Je - sus, are my trea - sure! You on - ly, dear - est they are frail and flight - y. But what I tru - ly gold should fill its cof - fers. I have a high - er friend, my love, my plea - sure, My joy, my crown, my Lord, My soul's de - light shall be; You are my prize A - bove all things is he, My Je - sus, good; Con - tent with it I'll be; My Je - sus all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly. Once more then peace, my rest. What is the world to me! he a - lone. What is the world to me! is my wealth— What is the world to me! I de - clare: What is the world to me!

THE INVOCATION

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.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



O LORD, OUR LORD

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.





you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and

ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,

but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,

you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;

you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the

King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,

how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 15:1-6

^{15:1} After this, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision:

“Do not be afraid,
Abram. I am your shield,
your very great reward.”

² But Abram said, “Sovereign Lord, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³ And Abram said, “You have given me no children; so a servant in my household will be my heir.”

⁴ Then the word of the Lord came to him: “This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir.” ⁵ He took him outside and said, “Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

⁶ Abram believed the Lord, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 33
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Refrain



The earth is full of the good-ness of
God, the good-ness of our God.

Psalm tone *



Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous;
it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

For the Word of the LORD is right and true;
he is faithful in all he does.

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made,
their starry host by the breath of his mouth.

For he spoke, and it came to be;
he commanded, and it stood firm.

Refrain

The LORD foils the plans of the nations;
he thwarts the purposes of the peoples.

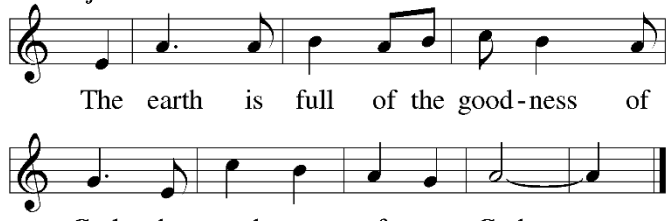
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But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever,
the purposes of his heart through all generations.

The LORD loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of his unfailing love.

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

Refrain



The earth is full of the good-ness of
God, the good-ness of our God.

Psalm tone *



THE SECOND LESSON..... Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

^{11:1} Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for.

³ By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. ⁹ By

faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise.¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.¹¹ And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise.¹² And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore.

¹³ All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth.¹⁴ People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own.¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return.¹⁶ Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia. (*Hebrews 11:1*)

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON..... **Luke 12:32-40**

³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys.³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.³⁵ “Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning,³⁶ like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him.³⁷ It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on

them.³⁸ It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the middle of the night or toward daybreak.³⁹ But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into.⁴⁰ You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... **“Have No Fear, Little Flock”**
Christian Worship #442

1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear,
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer,
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts

lit - tle flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To
lit - tle flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In
high a - bove, For he stoops down to heal you, Up -
raise to God, For he stays close be - side you, In

give you the king - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!
his love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!
all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

THE SERMON **Luke 12:32-40**

Please Stand

THE NICENE CREED

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.

Please be Seated

THE OFFERING

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

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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: The Lord be with you.

C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are his children and to strengthen us when we are weak. 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 forever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.

I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

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.”

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

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

world; grant us your peace. A - men.

Please be Seated

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Today we celebrate the Lord’s Supper. The Lord’s Supper is a miracle. By God’s power, the Lord’s body and blood are with the bread and wine. In the Lord’s Supper, God gives strength and comfort to His believers. While the Lord’s Supper is first about our relationship with Jesus, it is also about our relationship with fellow believers. Therefore, we practice “close communion.” We invite all who are members of St. Paul’s or visitors who belong to our WELS fellowship to receive the Lord’s Supper with us. If you would like to learn more about being a member of our family at St. Paul’s, please feel free to contact one of the pastors.



DISTRIBUTION HYMN "I Know My Faith Is Founded"
Christian Worship #403

1 I know my faith is found - ed On Je - sus
2 In - crease my faith, dear Sav - ior, For Sa - tan
3 In faith, Lord, let me serve you; Though per - se -

Christ, my God and Lord; And this my faith con -
seeks by night and day To rob me of this
cu - tion, grief, and pain Should seek to o - ver -

fess - ing, Un - moved I stand up - on his Word. Man's
treasure And take my hope of bliss a - way. But,
whelm me, Let me a stead - fast trust re - tain. And

rea - son can - not fath - om The truth of God pro -
Lord, with you be - side me I shall be un - dis -
then at my de - par - ture, Lord, take me home to

found; Who trusts in world - ly wis - dom Re - lies on
maged; And led by your good Spir - it, I shall be
you, And let me there in - her - it All you have

shift - ing ground. God's Word is all - suf - fi - cient,
un - a - fraid. A - bide with me, O Sav - ior,
prom - ised me. In life and death, Lord, keep me

Hymn continues on next page

It makes di - vine - ly sure, And, trust - ing
A firm - er faith be - stow, Then I shall
Un - til your heav'n I gain, Where I by

in its wis - dom, My faith shall rest se - cure.
bid de - fi - ance To ev - 'ry e - vil foe.
your great mer - cy The end of faith at - tain.

Please Stand

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.

He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with

shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

THE CLOSING PRAYER

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.



THE BLESSING

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.



Please be Seated



THE CLOSING HYMN..... “May the Peace of God”

Christian Worship Supplement #745



May the peace of God our heav'n-ly Fa - ther, And the
May this peace which pas - ses un - der - stand - ing, And this



grace of Christ the ri - sen Son, And the fel - low ship of God the
grace which makes us what we are, And this fel - low-ship of his Com



Spir - it Keep our hearts and minds with-in his love. And to
mun - ion Make us one in spir - it and in heart.



him be__ praise for his glo - rious reign From the depth of__ earth to the



heights of heav'n. We de - clare the____ name of the



Lamb once slain - Christ e - ter - nal, the King of kings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN FUNERAL: The Lord called Mr. Thomas Wiza to his heavenly home on Friday, August 23rd. A Christian funeral service was held here at St. Paul's on Friday, August 30th. May the Lord comfort his family with his everlasting comfort in Jesus.

ALTAR FLOWERS: This weekend's altar flowers are given by Pete & Sherry Kosovich in thanksgiving for their 42nd wedding anniversary.

SUNDAY SERVICE TIME CHANGE: Our Sunday worship schedule change will begin next Sunday, September 8th to 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM.

NO LABOR DAY SERVICE: Due to the Labor Day holiday, there will be no Monday evening service this week. Instead we will have our 6:30 PM worship service on Tuesday, September 3rd.

10 FOR 10 STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS: Beginning next week, September 8th, we will begin a stewardship emphasis that is titled "*10 for 10: Teaching a Lutheran Perspective on Tithing.*" 10 for 10 is meant to be an enhancement to our regular, weekly giving. Its purpose is simple: 10 for 10 is going to encourage each of us to be prayerful, thoughtful, and intentional in our giving. The generosity of God the Father will enable it! The grace of God the Son will empower it! The gifts of God the Holy Spirit will inspire it!

The format of the worship services will be different for the next three Sundays. The 10 for 10 emphasis includes a three-week worship series and Bible Study. The worship service will run about 40 minutes. Through Word and Sacrament, members are given the Gospel motivation for giving. After the Prayer of the Church in those three weeks, the congregation will engage in a 12 – 15 minutes Bible study, applying Scriptural stewardship principles to their personal lives. At home, members prayerfully put together a ten-week giving plan. The generosity of God the Father will enable it! The grace of God the Son will empower it! The gifts of God the Holy Spirit will inspire it!

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES: We will begin all of our Bible classes on Sunday, September 15th. This includes Sunday School, Adult Bible Class and Confirmation classes. Classes are held each Sunday from 9:15 to 10:15 AM.

YOUTH GROUP EVENT: Today, September 1st the youth group is going roller skating at Incredi-Roll Skate & Family Fun Center, 10928 W. Oklahoma Ave. in West Allis from 6:00-8:00 PM. It's \$9.00 total for admissions and skates and food will be provided. If the kids want to bring extra money for play the arcade games they are more than welcome to do that. We will meet at the rink.

SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG: The Senior Choir is starting up rehearsals for the 2019-2020 season and you are invited to join us as we raise our voices in praise to God. The choir rehearses on the 1st, 3rd, and occasional 5th Wednesday of each month from 6:30 – 7:15 pm. We encourage you to come and check us out. If you have any questions, feel free to contact David Brightsman (414.559.9059 or david.brightsman@wlc.edu). We hope to see you beginning Wednesday, September 4th at 6:30pm.

LUTHERAN GIRL PIONEERS: The Girl Pioneer program will begin Monday, September 16. This is a Christ-centered program for all girls in grades 1-8 that provides supervised and constructive recreation for our youth. It offers opportunities for Christian fellowship and encourages service to family, church and community with the motto "Loyal to Christ". Meetings will be on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Meeting times will be 6:00-7:30 p.m. Annual dues will be \$30 per girl.

In order to plan for the 2019-2020 year, we need to have an idea of how many girls may be interested in the program. **Leaders and helpers are always needed as well.** You don't need to have a daughter in Pioneers to help out. There are forms on the counter in the narthex that can be filled out to indicate interest in joining or helping in some manner. Return the forms to the school office by September 6. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Adams at njadams86@yahoo.com.

PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR: Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: September 19, October 3 & 17, November 7 & 21, December 5 & 19, January 16, February 6 & 20, March 5 & 19, April 2, May 7 & 21.

SAVE THE DATE: Our Family Fall Fest will be held on Sunday, October 6th from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. More information to come!

GALA MEETING: Our next Gala meeting will be on Sunday, September 9th at 6:30 PM in the school lobby. Our Biennial Gala & Silent Auction is our way of fundraising for the technology we use in our school. Join us at our meeting to see how you can be a part of it!

USHERS: We have several open spots on our usher crews. Please consider serving your congregation in this way. If you are able to help, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP ASSISTANT: We are looking for someone to assist with our Youth Group. To find out more information, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

WLHS INSTALLATION AND ANNIVERSARY SERVICE: Join WLHS in celebration at the installation and anniversary service on Sunday, September 8, at 3:00 p.m., at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church (3766 E Cudahy Ave.) in Cudahy, Wis. The service will include several new faculty installations, including our congregation’s own Kendra Matus. All are invited to stay for refreshments following the service.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (September 1 & 3)

- 8:00 AM – Connie Myer
- 9:30 AM – Marilyn Krueger
- TUESDAY 6:30 PM – John Shevey

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (September 8 & 9)

- 8:00 AM – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen
- 9:30 AM – Tony & Mary Tripoli
- 6:30 PM – {sign up to be a greeter!}

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

- 8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling, Brandon Wirtz
- 9:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Gary Eickhorst, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski
- 6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

- Sept 4-10 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer
- Sept 11-17 – TEAM #4 – Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

- Sept. 1: Set-up – Don & Marge Gebert, Clean-up – Mark & Kristin Hernon
- Sept. 8: Set-up – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug

GRASS CUTTING:

- Aug 28-31 – TEAM #2 – Gordy Lesser
- Sept 4-7 – TEAM #3 – Jerry Lehtinen & Gary Tosic

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 1

- Worship Service with Communion8:00 AM
- Worship Service with Communion9:30 AM

Monday, September 2

- NO WORSHIP
- NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, September 3

- Worship Service with Communion 6:30 PM

Wednesday, September 4

- Senior Choir Rehearsal..... 6:30 PM

Sunday, September 8

- Worship Service8:00 AM
- Worship Service9:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

- Attendance: 8:00 AM – 85, 9:30 AM – 116, 6:30 PM – 54
- Total Attendance – 255