

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Divine Service III LSB pages 184-202

L = Liturgist * = Stand C = Congregation

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN**

Blessed Jesus at Your Word

LSB 904

1. **Blessed Jesus, at Your word We are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and love and fear You.
By Your teachings, sweet and holy, Drawn from earth to love You, solely.**
2. **All our knowledge, sense, and sight Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till Your Spirit breaks our night With the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us; You must work all good within us.**
3. **Gracious Savior, good and kind, Light of Light, from God proceeding;
Open now our heart and mind; Help us by Your Spirit's pleading;
Hear the cry Your people raises, Hear and bless our prayers and praises.**
4. **Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Praise to You and adoration!
Grant that we may trust Your Word, Confident of our salvation,
While we here below must wander, Till we sing Your praises yonder.**

***INVOCATION AND GENERAL CONFESSION**

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

C: **♪ Amen.**

BAPTISMS (5:00, 10:30) LSB page 270

L: Let us seek God's forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **O God, we have not always held You in highest honor. We have not loved You with all our heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have done what You forbid and not done what You command.**

L: We confess our many sins and ask that You would cleanse our lives, hearts, hands, minds, and desires.

C: **Forgive us, O Lord, for the sake of Christ, whose sacrifice on the cross, with His physical and spiritual death, has brought us forgiveness and peace with You. Cleanse us by Your mercy that we may be pure because of Your forgiveness. Amen.**

***THE ABSOLUTION**

C: **♪ Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI** (Taken from LSB, page 186)

C: **♪ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

***THE KYRIE**

C: **♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

***THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

L: The Lord be with you.

C: **♪ And with thy spirit.**

L: Let us pray.

C: **♫ Amen.**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING for the 13th Sunday after Pentecost is from Jeremiah 23:23-29, page 651:

²³ "Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?" ²⁴ Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵ I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' ²⁶ How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷ who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹ Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **♫ Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE READING is from Hebrews 11:17-30, page 1008:

¹⁷ By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸ of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ¹⁹ He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰ By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹ By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²² By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. ²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸ By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. ²⁹ By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

C: **♫ Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

***THE HOLY GOSPEL** - according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter, verses 49-56, page 872 :

C: **♫ Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

⁴⁹ "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵² For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." ⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **♫ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

***THE APOSTLES' CREED (8:00, 9:20)**

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 SONG (Sung as the children come forward)

(8:00 & 10:30)

**I love to tell the story Of unseen things above, Of Jesus and His glory,
Of Jesus and His love. I love to tell the story, Because I know it's true.
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.**

**Refrain: I love to tell the story, 'Twill be my theme in glory
To tell the old, old story Of Jesus and His love.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:00 & 10:30)

Marilyn Wiesehan

HYMN OF THE DAY

What God Ordains Is Always Good

LSB 760

1. **What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy.
As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly,
My God indeed In every need Knows well how He will shield me.
To Him, then, I will yield me.**
2. **What God ordains is always good: He never will deceive me;
He leads me in His righteous way, And never will He leave me.
I take content What He has sent; His hand that sends me sadness
Will turn my tears to gladness.**
3. **What God ordains is always good: He is my Friend and Father;
He suffers not to do me harm Though many storms may gather.
Now I may know Both joy and woe; Someday I shall see clearly
That He has loved me dearly.**
4. **What God ordains is always good: Though I the cup am drinking
Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.
For after grief God gives relief, My heart with comfort filling
And all my sorrow stilling.**

THE SERMON

“Fire, Hammer, Sword, Salvation”

(Jeremiah 23:29 & Luke 12:49-56)

THE OFFERING - *During the offering all worshipers are asked to fill out the blue or ivory cards found in the pew rack. Please pass cards down to center aisle. They will be collected immediately after the offering.*

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*THE OFFERTORY LSB page 192

♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*LORD'S PRAYER (Found in the back cover of the hymnal.)

INDUCTION OF TEACHERS (8:00 & 10:30)

*THE BENEDICTION

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: **♪ Amen, amen, amen.**

***THE CLOSING HYMN**

Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng

LSB 813 (1, 6-7)

1. **Rejoice, O pilgrim throng! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
Your festal banner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.**

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

2. **At last the march shall end; The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. (Refrain)**
3. **Praise Him who reigns on high, The Lord whom we adore:
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God forevermore. (Refrain)**

*SILENT PRAYER/POSTLUDE + + + + +

SERVING IN OUR WORSHIP TODAY:

Preacher: Pastor Jon C. Furgeson

Liturgist: Pastor Dennis A. Kastens

Organist: 8:00: Burnell Hackman; 5:00, 9:20 & 10:30: Alice Kastens

Sat. AM 850 KFUE Broadcaster/Engineer: Dean Seyfert/Terry Hutton

NEWS AND NOTES:

TODAY'S EDUCATION HOUR: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

Adult Bible Class (Lower Commons): Early Church History

Bible Study for 18 - 25 Year Olds (Former Sanctuary Overflow Room): Discussions led by group members with mentors present.

Women's Bible Class (Office Conf. Rm.): led by Janice McCreary

Youth Bible Class: led by Christina Stackle, DCE

8th Grade Youth: led by Rick Goodman

7th Grade Youth: led by Greg Wirtel and Louise Oster

PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES.

HEARING ASSIST TRANSMITTERS are available from the ushers. Ear pieces are available although we suggest you bring your own.

PLEASE KEEP FOOD & DRINK consumption inside the Gym.

ALTAR FLOWERS are from Roger and Jean Volk in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary; also from the Beutler family in celebration of Ann's birthday.

BAPTISMS (5:00) Adam Kenneth Beutelmann, son of Kevin K. and Diana L. n e Doering Beutelmann. Sponsors: Austin J. and Alexandra C. Cibulka. (10:30) Andrew Christopher Nolan, son of Terence C. and Laura E. n e Rapp Nolan. Sponsors: Timothy M. Sauer and Jennifer L. Nolan.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ORIENTATION is next Sunday. Parents and children meet at 9:15 a.m. in the gym. After a special Sunday School orientation program, they will walk with their children to their new classroom.

BBQ FUNDRAISER by Two Butts and a Ham for Boy Scout Troop 584 Philmont Crew 731-D on **Sunday, August 28th from 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Peace.** Tickets \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. See one of the Scouts between services for your ticket.

SAVE THE DATE! 2nd Annual Green Park Golf Scramble is Sunday, Sept. 11, at Quail Creek Golf Course. Registration and sponsorship info can be found at <http://greenparklutherschool.schoolauction.net/2016golf/> Contact Laura Reis at (314) 544-4248 with any questions.

THANK YOU to Couples' Club members, our wonderful youth, and all others who contributed to the Garage Sale in any way! Your hard work helped to make this year's event a big success!!

LADIES GUILD The planning meeting will be held Thursday, August 25th at noon. All are encouraged to attend and submit any ideas, suggestions of programs and speakers for the upcoming year. See you then!

ADULT INQUIRY series began last Sunday, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Office Conference Room with sessions through August 28 for those desiring membership or auditors. It is not too late to attend.

GRADE 2 SUNDAY SCHOOL pupils receive Bibles on September 11. Parents will attend a special class 9:15 a.m. that day in the old sanctuary where they may learn how to introduce their children to be regular Bible readers. A listing of the 2nd graders will appear in next Sunday's bulletin. (The list will include 17 children whom we hope are enrolled in Sunday School to benefit from this opportunity.)

YOUTH NEWS: COLLEGE STUDENTS please give Christina Stackle your college address so you can receive cards and care packages throughout the year!

OUR 67 EDUCATORS we salute. They are: Sarah Andrews, April Baese, Chris Beaumont, Anita Behnke, Tami Behnke, Gretchen Bluette, Carrie Brumm, Amelia Burgess, Brenda Chitwood, Jennifer Craig, David Dau, Terri Dees, Christine Dillender, Samantha Drier, Mary Eaton, Emilie Fiasco, Jacqui Gathman, Debbie Genovese, Carol Gibbons, Eric Glessner, Tammy Goodman, Annette Heckenberg, John Hicks, Jackie Hoeflerlin, Stephanie Holler, K. Holloway, Kala Jacobsmeyer, Paula Justus, Joe Karasek, Linda Kienstra, Michael Kreidler, Marlene Kruse, April and Eric Lappe, Karen Mathany, Derek McCarty, Vicki McConnell, Joy McRoy, Amy Menke, Jamie Meyer, Michelle Mieger, Doug Morris, Aryn Posados, Kelley Powell, Debbie Prange, Viola Preusser, Kathy Pritchard, Terry Rastorfer, Carol Reinitz, Brent Rueter, Christine Saberton, Pam Sanders, Kimberly Schmidt, Virginia Schweigert, Julie Shawcross, Kevin Sheets, Paul Stabile, Becky Stevens, Kristen Stroisch, Jeffrey Teague, Stephanie Torbeck, Cheryl Twillman, Rob Uthoff, Sue Velten, Lynn Voss, Sara Watson, Tracy Zaretsky.

52 FORMER EDUCATORS Carol Adkins, Alexia Arensmeier, Carol Banes, Jerry & Joyce Birk, Chester Bluette, Fred Blank, Bill Bryan, Jocelyn Cazzell, Susan Conrad, Virginia Dinyer, Patrick Doyle, Bill & Kala Eydman, Ellen Fassold, Roberta Fitzgerald, Jan Flosi, Sherlee Garland, Virginia Gerharter, Bill & Linda Hentchel, Kay Kassel, Alice Kastens, Mary Jane Knoernschild, Linda Kohm, Larry & Myra Lackey, Dorothy Meyer, Jill Meyer, Yvonne Morris, Lynn & Louise Oster, Bill Petrovic, Pat Riethmeier, Dr. Wilbert Rosin, Karen Schaffner, Jackie Schramm, Dean & Judy Seyfert, Dr. Larry Sorth, Donna Stabile, Edward Stackle, Karen Swinhart, Carol Terry, Janet Thompson, Jackie Uthoff, Patricia Uthoff, Maryann VanDermeulen, Mary Widitz, Marilyn Wiesehan, Ellen Wuerffel, Marlene Wussler.

GREEN PARK LUTHERAN STAFF: Stephen Eggold, Principal; K. Pfund, K. Hummert, S. Hopfer, K. Schmitt, L. Reis, M. Barnes, S. Torbeck, M. Lehnig, B. Meyer, E. Heurman, R. Gieseke, B. Huster, J. Cibulka, A. Ryherd, D. Rusert, W. Hesse, d. Auer, D. Prange, J. Buck, G. Vanderhyde, S. Loduca, E. Miller, P. Pancella, G. McCoombe, A. Heckenberg, L. Puhlmann, C. Truemper, A. Caus.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 14, 2016:

Today: 6:00 Adult Inquiry Class
Mon: 3:30 Green Park Volleyball
6:30 Cub Scout Den Meeting
Tue: 9:00 Quilters
3:30 Green Park Volleyball
6:00 Property Management
7:15 Winds of Peace
Wed: 9:00 TPL Assembly
11:00 South County Senior Citizens
7:00 Bells of Peace Rehearsal
Thu: 6:00 Kaestner/Wirthlin Rehearsal
Fri: 3:30 Green Park Volleyball
Sat: 9:30 Chancel Choir Retreat
1:30 Kaestner/Wirthlin Wedding

Sun: 5:00 Worship Service w/Comm.
5:00 Pinochle Club Dinner
6:00 Adult Inquiry Class