

Quilt Sunday, October 6, 2024

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, ELCA 612 Division St. | La Crosse, WI | 608.782.3468 www.oursaviorslutheranchurch.net "Our mission is to make the love of Christ known to all as we worship, serve and grow together."

All are welcome in this church! The Good News of God's grace Is for all, regardless of age, abilities, physical & mental health, race, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, education, income or strength of faith. There is nothing we do, have done or will do that can separate us from the love of God. God makes no exceptions, nor do we. Come join us in praise, prayer and the work of our Lord, including ongoing work for racial equity in our Church and in the world.

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Welcome, visitors! We're glad you are here! We hope your time with us is a blessing, and that you will come back soon.

We would like to be in touch with you! Visitors—please use the Live Stream 'Attendance Info Form (www.allarewelcome.org under the Live Stream tab) today. Members—you only need to fill them out once a year when you receive Holy 'Communion. In addition, use the form for prayer requests, hymn requests, to get the monthly newsletter, to give us address changes, or for any communication with the office or pastor.

If you need **hearing assistance,** ask in the church office for our special devices.

If you need **assistance with the live stream,** please call 608.782.3468 or join us on the phone live stream at 1.877.552.3468 (toll-free).

+FOR OUR WORSHIP TODAY+ Presiding Minister: Pastor James Radatz AV Team: Asa and Fox Zinniel Communion Assistant: Kim Grapes Pianist: Mary Ender Stutesman Prayer Reader: Kim Grapes

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

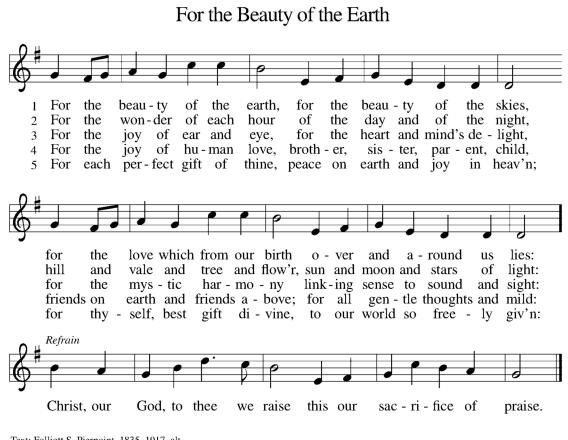
Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG



Text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt. Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen, amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GOSPEL: Mark 10: 2—16

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." ⁵But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

YOUNG PERSON'S MESSAGE

SERMON

HYMN

ELW #640



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CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

FALL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS AND LWR QUILT & KIT DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(Response to each petition the refrain from Neither Death nor Life, ELW #622)

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church toward renewal and justice.

Creator of every creature on earth, direct our lives toward the renewal and sustaining of cattle, birds of the air, animals of the field, and those who share our homes. Reveal the ways we can work alongside creation for the health and well-being of all.

God of grace, hear us as we sing: Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor trials in the present, nor any trial to come, neither height, nor depth, nor all of creation can ever separate us from the love of God poured out in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Sovereign God, we give thanks that you are mindful and benevolent. Accompany us when hardness of heart gets in the way of justice between people and nations. Endow leaders with minds for justice and hearts for compassion.

Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering. Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor trials in the present, nor any trial to come, neither height, nor depth, nor all of creation can ever separate us from the love of God poured out in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Unifying God, humans were created for relationship with the earth, its creatures, and one another. Forgive us when division threatens companionship, mutual support, and unity among us. May your love inspire us to build supportive communities of faith where all are cherished.

God of resurrection, you prepare a place in the kingdom through Christ's death and resurrection. We give thanks for the saints who have taken their place at your heavenly banquet.

God of grace, hear us as we sing:

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor trials in the present, nor any trial to come, neither height, nor depth, nor all of creation can ever separate us from the love of God

poured out in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

LWR QUILT & KIT BLESSING & STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

NOISY OFFERING

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Amen. LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

You may come forward for communion using the center aisle. After receiving bread from Pastor, please take an empty glass from the small table. If you prefer grape juice, take a full glass. Proceed to the person with the pouring chalice. After receiving your wine/blessing, place your empty glass in the basket you will see as you walk toward the side aisle.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG



Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586–1649; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878 Music: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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GOOD OLD FASHIONED CHURCH POTLUCK NEXT SUNDAY! Sunday, October 13, 10:15am

Join us after worship Sunday, October 13 for a good old fashioned church potluck. Please bring your favorite potluck item to share. Thanks!

MOO-MOO'S PRAYER CLUB

Today after worship we will be helping pack quilts for Lutheran World Relief. **Next Sunday, October 13**, we will watch a short video with a small snack followed by an activity and/or discussion.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) SEMI LOAD

Saturday, October 12, 2022, 7—11am—GSLC (4141 Mormon Coulee Rd, La Crosse)

This is an annual event sponsored by Lutheran World Relief. Churches from throughout the synod bring baby care kits, personal care kits, new school kits, and quilts that are collected year-round to be shipped around the world to those in need. The trucks will be in the large church parking lot across Birch Street from the church. Please note that the church will not be open.

FALL CAMPFIRE

Saturday, October 12, 2024—7pm

Mark your calendars, folks! 'Cause it's fall, y'all, and we need s'more time together! Join us for an all-ages event filled with s'mores, snacks, and drinks. We'll provide the goodies; you bring a blanket or chair to cozy up by the fire. Let's make some warm memories together! See you there!

THANK YOU!

On behalf of WELCA, we want to thank each and every one that helped with our rummage sale. Whether you donated, worked, or shopped, we appreciate you and all you did to make the sale a tremendous success. This year the profit ended up being \$4,179.00. Much of this money will be distributed by the end of the year to ministries within our church and local organizations in need of help.

Again, thank you all! Doris & Carol



OUR SAVIORS THIS WEEK

POST ON A FRIG, NEAR A PHONE, ON AN ALTAR AND ANY OTHER SACRED PLACE

CALENDAR

Quilt Sunday, October 6, 2024

9:30am Worship/HC **10:15am** Boxing LWR Quilts & Kits 10:15am Moo-Moo's Prayer Club 10:15am CF 6:30pm Y.E.S. A.A. mtg. Monday 9am—1pm Office Open Tuesday 9am—1pm Office Open 9am Ouilters WCC Open

1—5pm 4pm 4:15—5:15pm CFS Meal Served 5:15—5:30pm CFS Carry Outs

Wednesday

9am—1pm 12 noon

Worship/HC

Office Open

CFS Doors Open

Thursday 9am—1pm

Office Open Friday Church Office Closed

Pastor/Staff Sabbath

Saturday

7am—11am LWR Ingathering 9am—1pm WCC Open 7pm Fall Campfire

Sunday, October 13, 2024

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Calendar Notations:

HC—Holy Communion MMPC—Moo-Moo's Prayer Club W&M—Worship & Music Committee CF-Coffee Fellowship CFS—Come For Supper WCC—Women's Clothes Closet

PRAYER CONCERNS

HEALING AND PEACE

Athena Burg, Bev Hanson, Carol Kant, Casey Kanter, Cindy Moe, Dan Odenbach, Danielle Sorenson, **Dave** Kjos, **Erik** Rudrud, **Esther** Harman, Eugene Herold, Gabe Centanni, George, Jane Speer, Jean Koll, Jeannie White, Jim Garson, Joyce Gosman, Karen Geoglein, Katie White, Kilian Crary, Lane C., Lois Horne, Kelly Olson, Mary Covey, Monica & Jack, Morris Buros, Peaav Kneifl, Pete Harman, Rich Pitz, Rose Sabotta, Roxanne North, Sandy Kjos, Sonja Simonson-Schrag, Theo Abnet, Tom Cade, and Vickie Hengel

GRIEVING FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

Myra Smaby

MEMBERS & FRIENDS IN ARMED FORCES

Gabriel W. Kleven, Greg Phillips, Ricky Macon, and **Stacie** Phillips

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 6 Esther Harman John Schilling October 8 **Dan** Mihalovic October 9 Mary Van Berkum October 10 Kate Herlitzke October 11