

The 20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 2024

9:30am Worship & Communion

The Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

*** Confession & Forgiveness p. 94-96**

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

*P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are 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 Lord. **C: Amen.***

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*P: Most merciful God, **C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.***

*P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.***

*** Gathering Hymn #853**

“When Morning Gilds The Skies”

*** Greeting p. 147** *P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.***

*** Kyrie p. 147** *P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

*P: 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. **C: Lord, have mercy.***

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

*P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. **C: Amen.***

*** This is the Feast p. 149**

*** The Prayer of the Day (all pray) 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 and Lord. **Amen.****

First Lesson: Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸ Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹ Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." ²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 8

L:⁸ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

C:² Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

L:³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

C:⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

L:⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

C:⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,

L:⁷ all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

C:⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

ALL:⁹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

1 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, **2** but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. **3** He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, **4** having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

2 **5** For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. **6** It has been testified somewhere, "What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?" **7** You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, **8** putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. **9** But we see him who for a little

while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹² saying, "I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

* **Gospel Acclamation** p. 151

* **Gospel Announcement**

* Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **The Gospel Lesson: Mark 10:2-16**

² And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³ He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴ They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵ And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷ 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸ and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

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

¹³ And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Hymn #144 (TOSB - vs. 1,2)

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

The Sermon

"What Does Jesus Say About Marriage?"

(text: Mark 10:2-16)

Pastor William Shields

* **Apostles' Creed** p. 105

The Hymn of the Day #656

"Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

Offering

* **Offering Response #186**

Prayers

* **Words of Institution**

* **The Lord's Prayer** p. 154 **C: 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.**

Communion

*In the Lord's Supper, we believe that Jesus is truly present in this meal to share His forgiveness and grace. All who believe Jesus Christ is our Lord & Savior are welcome at the table. Communing children should hold their hand out to receive the bread. Cross arms in front to receive a blessing. **(Kneeling)** Come down the center aisle and fill in the communion rail. You may stand if kneeling is difficult. You will be served the bread & wine or white grape juice. (Gluten free wafers are available.) Deposit your cup in the baskets at the end of the rail. Return to your seats using the side aisles. During Communion, please join in singing ELW hymns #471, 487, 490, 491.*

* **Blessing**

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn #765**

"Lord Of All Hopefulness"

* **Dismissal** P: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Announcements:

	<u>Weekly Events:</u>
Mon. Oct. 7	11:30am – Worship Comm.
Tues. Oct. 8	7:00am – Jr. High Study 10:00am – Prayer Shawl 3:30pm – Council Meeting
Wed. Oct. 9	6:30am – Men's Bible Study 7:00am – Sr. High Study 11:00am – Pastor's Study 1:00pm – Prayer Group 6:00pm – Confirmation 7:00pm – Choir
Thurs. Oct. 10	12 noon – PMA Meeting here 1-3pm – LWR Packing 6:00pm – Pastor's Study
Fri. Oct. 11	Pastor leaves for Africa
Sat. Oct. 12	7:00am – Gideon's Prayer meeting
Sunday, Oct. 13	9:30am Worship – Hymn Sing Andy Schmeck preaching 10:45 Coffee Fellowship Sunday School No New Member Class

LWR RELIEF PACKING
Thursday, October 10
1-3pm
Fellowship Hall
Please come and help

Continued prayers for:
Cancer patients: Brenda Cook, Gary Schail,
Eric Davis (*brother-in law to Rob Buchanan*),
Michael Frandsen (*Lani Swinford's brother*),
Rodney Smith (*brother of Duane*), **Janet**
Stringer (*sister of Jerry Zibert*), **John Baird, Joe**
Cartwright (*friend of Jeff & Jennifer Jaques*), **Don**
Kyle, Dale Heinkel (*former member*).
Others: Sandi Smith (*health issues*), **Val Blythe**
(*heart surgery*), **Diane** (*Dave Little's sister heart*
issues), **Nancy Hartz** (*tibial plateau fracture*),
Melissa Castro (*foot*), **Azeem Hosein** (*broken*
ankle)

Library Committee
Will meet again
On Tuesday, October 29th
1:00pm
They will not meet in November.