FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH



JUNE 22, 2025

WELCOME

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TODAY'S SERVICE

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Organist:

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PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

Psalm 3

LORD, how they have increased who trouble me! Many are they who rise up against me.² Many are they who say of me, "There is no help for him in God." Selah ³ But You, O LORD, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head. ⁴ I cried to the LORD with my voice, And He heard me from His holy hill. Selah ⁵ I lay down and slept; I awoke, for the LORD sustained me.⁶ I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people Who have set *themselves* against me all around. ⁷ Arise, O LORD; Save me, O my God! For You have struck all my enemies on the cheekbone; You have broken the teeth of the ungodly. ⁸ Salvation belongs to the LORD. Your blessing *is* upon Your people. Selah

SERVICE OF THE WORD

#39:1-3 Praise to the Lord

INVOCATION

p In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

p We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

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- all Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth, In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray; Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins.
 By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord
 Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.





p Let us pray... O God, You have prepared for those who love You such good things as surpass our understanding. Cast out all sins and evil desires from us, and pour into our hearts Your Holy Spirit to guide us into all blessedness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

Galatians 3:23-4:7 ²³ But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. ²⁶ For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. 4:1 Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all, ² but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. ³ Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. ⁴ But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" 7 Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Luke 8:26-39 ²⁶ Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷ And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he

wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs.²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!"²⁹ For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness. ³⁰ Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. ³¹ And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. ³² Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. ³³ Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. ³⁴ When those who fed *them* saw what had happened, they fled and told *it* in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ They also

who had seen *it* told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. ³⁷ Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. And He got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you." And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

p Blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.





ATHANASIAN CREED – PART TWO

Note: In this context the word catholic means universal. Thus when we talk about the catholic faith we mean the one and only true faith which God has given to us in His word.

P So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.

P So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

P Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

C The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

P The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

C The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten but proceeding.

P Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

C And in this Trinity none is before or after another;

P none is greater or less than another; but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

C Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity. Amen

#784 Lord, Take My Hand And Lead Me

SERMON

Judges 15:9-20 9 Now the Philistines went up, encamped in Judah, and deployed themselves against Lehi. ¹⁰ And the men of Judah said, "Why have you come up against us?" So they answered, "We have come up to arrest Samson, to do to him as he has done to us." ¹¹ Then three thousand men of Judah went down to the cleft of the rock of Etam, and said to Samson, "Do you not know that the Philistines rule over us? What is this you have done to us?" And he said to them, "As they did to me, so I have done to them." ¹² But they said to him, "We have come down to arrest you, that we may deliver you into the hand of the Philistines." Then Samson said to them, "Swear to me that you will not kill me yourselves." ¹³ So they spoke to him, saying, "No, but we will tie you securely and deliver you into their hand; but we will surely not kill you." And they bound him with two new ropes and brought him up from the rock. ¹⁴ When he came to Lehi, the Philistines came shouting against him. Then the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him; and the ropes that were on his arms became like flax that is burned with fire, and his bonds broke loose from his hands. ¹⁵ He found a fresh jawbone

of a donkey, reached out his hand and took it, and killed a thousand men with it. ¹⁶ Then Samson said: "With the jawbone of a donkey, Heaps upon heaps, With the jawbone of a donkey I have slain a thousand men!" ¹⁷ And so it was, when he had finished speaking, that he threw the jawbone from his hand, and called that place Ramath Lehi. ¹⁸ Then he became very thirsty; so he cried out to the LORD and said, "You have given this great deliverance by the hand of Your servant; and now shall I die of thirst and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised?" ¹⁹ So God split the hollow place that *is* in Lehi, and water came out, and he drank; and his spirit returned, and he revived. Therefore he called its name En Hakkore, which is in Lehi to this day. ²⁰ And he judged Israel twenty years in the days of the Philistines.

A REAL MAN WOULD . . . LEAD

Service, Example, and Christ



#786:1-3,5 Take My Life and Let It Be

Offering Hymn #788

Lord, You love the cheerful giver who with open heart and hand blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true that our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

PRAYERS, THE LORD'S PRAYER

all 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 BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



#777 Amazing Grace

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

9am Worship Service

MONDAY, JUNE 23

7 pm Worship Service

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

2pm Bible Class

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

9 am Worship Service

MONDAY, JUNE 30

7 Pm Worship Service

FRUITS OF FAITH

General Fund- \$ 11086 Missions - \$ 125 Building Fund - \$ 300 Sunday Service - 53 Monday Service - 23

USHERS FOR JUNE

BJ Lillo, Mike Dumke, Jared Swyter, Clay Bobek

USHERS FOR MONDAY NIGHT

Greg Jones, Bob Kirst, Jeff Jones, Owen Jones

COUNTER

THIS WEEK TEAM # 5

John Bobek, Keith Dickerson

NEXT WEEK TEAM # 6

Jim Kok, Jared Swyter

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

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MANUP

September 25-28 at Wyalusing More information on the bulletin board.

VBS

Registration/Flier sheets are on the shelf.

Signup sheets for volunteers and snacks are on the bulletin board.

MOWING

Signup sheet for mowing on the bulletin board.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:9b–21 Psalm 16 Gal. 5:1, 13–25 Luke 9:51–62

CALL NEWS

Rebecca Buck of Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI, has received the call to Luther Memorial School, Fond du Lac, WI.

Erin Franson has received the call to serve as the female Mentor at Immanuel Lutheran High School and College

Mr. Rick Mariner has accepted the call to serve as principal of Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN.

Leah Baumann has received the oneyear call to teach part-time at St. John's Lutheran School, Okabena, MN. Leah is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. Pastor Frank Gantt of Zion Lutheran Church of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA, has accepted the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO. Pastor Gantt will continue to serve the members of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church, Loganville, GA in a dual parish arrangement.

Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has received the call to St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Mountain View, CA.

Pastor Mark Tiefel of Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI, received the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI.



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