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Church Year: Pentecost 12

Date: August 20, 2023

✠ THE ORDER OF WORSHIP ✠

Worship Preparation:*Psalm 31, TLH p. 130*

Hymn: *WS 758: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

Liturgy: *WS, p. 12 ff.*

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

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.

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: [Spoken] Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy (Congregation):



Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest (Congregation):



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shipped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - mighty Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Prayer of the Day:

P: Let us pray ...

C: [Spoken] Amen.

First Reading: *Philippians 3:7-14*

Second Reading: *John 10:27-29*



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Confession of Faith: *The Apostolic Creed*

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

Hymn: *WS 784: Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me*

Sermon: *Psalms 31:14-15a*

¹⁴ But as for me, I trust in You, O LORD; I say, "You are my God." ¹⁵ My times are in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies, And from those who persecute me. (NKJVTM)

My God for All Seasons

- I. The Spring Of Birth And Growth
- II. The Summer Of Activity And Responsibility

Hymn (Sermon): *WS 778: Grace Has a Thrilling Sound*

- III. The Autumn Of Maturity And Reflection
- IV. The Winter Of Death And Dormancy
- V. The Eternal Spring Of Resurrection And Life

Create in Me:

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
 not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
 Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
 Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn:.....*WS 783: Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep*

Offering, Prayers, and Lord's Prayer:

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.

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.

C: [♪] Amen. Amen. Amen.

Hymn:.....*WS 732, st. 3-4: Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds*

Silent Prayer:

Welcome to our guests and visitors. We appreciate the opportunity to share God's Word with you today. Please come again! Those interested in learning more about the Scriptures and our doctrinal position, please speak with Pastor Hein. He would be delighted to visit with you!

✠ THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ✠

- ➔ **Thanks** to retired Pastor David Schierenbeck for sharing the Word of God today. He is filling in today for pastor who is on vacation.
- ➔ **Pastor's Vacation:** Pastor Hein is visiting family near Spokane, WA, until Sept. 1. For emergency pastoral help, you may call the parsonage at 763-784-8784 or call Pastor directly on his cell at 612-408-1635. Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer (651-432-0101) from Berea may be contacted as well.
- ➔ **Immanuel Opening:** The opening worship service for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary will take place today, 3 pm, at the campus fieldhouse. For more details about the opening weekend schedule, see ilc.edu. May the Lord richly bless the upcoming year as we grow together in the truth of God's saving Word!
- ➔ **Grace Lutheran School Opening:** The opening service for Grace Lutheran School will be held Monday, Aug. 28, 8 am. This event is certainly open to all as a way to support the students.
- ➔ **Summer Hospitality:** If anyone wishes to host any of the Sundays in summer, please sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.



The Bible is Our Basis ...

- ... for a foundation** *For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 3:11*
- ... for strength** *God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1*
- ... for guidance** *Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path. Psalm 119:105*
- ... for salvation** *Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. Acts 4:12*
- ... for eternal life** *And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. John 17:3*
- ... for doctrine** *All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. 2 Timothy 3:16*
- ... for fellowship** *Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. Romans 16:17*
- ... for forgiveness** *In [Jesus] we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:14*
- ... for love** *In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. 1 John 4:10*
- ... for wisdom** *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. Proverbs 9:10*
- ... for truth** *Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. John 17:17*
- ... for peace** *And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7*

† TODAY AT GRACE †

Organist: **Maureen Ochsner** Elder: **Benno Sydow**

Ushers: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; James Bomber; Dan Degnan; David Hein; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever**

Counting Team 2: **Gary Gunther; Rick Nelson; Bill Rust; Bob Vandever; Clint Welker**

Church Cleaners: **Volunteers?**

† NEXT WEEK AT GRACE †

Ushers: **Eli Wales; Alex Baker; Kevin Baker; James Bomber; Dan Degnan; David Hein; Ryan Oman; Bob Vandever**

Counting Team 3: **Duane Enns; Tom Graham; Kevin Hulke; Dan Degnan; Benno Sydow**

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† OUR SCHEDULE †

Sun., Aug. 20: 9:00 am – Worship (Pentecost 12)

3:00 pm – Immanuel Opening Service

Sun., Aug. 27: 9:00 am – Worship (Pentecost 13)

Mon., Aug. 28: Grace School's Opening Day

8:00 am – Grace School's Opening Service

Sun., Sept. 3: 9:00 am – Worship w/Lord's Supper (Pentecost 14)

Mon., Sept. 4: Labor Day – No School

Wed., Sept. 6: 4:30-6:15 pm – Catechism for Public School Students

Thu., Sept. 7: Grace School – 47th Year Anniversary (began 9/7/1976)

Sun., Sept. 10: **Return to Regular Schedule**

9:00 am – Bible Class and Sunday School

10:00 am – Worship (Pentecost 15)

11:00 am – Council Meeting

Sun., Oct. 8: Mission Festival w/Pastor Nathanael Mayhew

Oct. 8-10: Minnesota Pastoral Conference

Oct. 18-20: CLC Teachers' Conference (Eau Claire, WI)



For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9
