

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 9:00 AM
Thursday, June 6, 2024 – 6:30 PM

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated today. As a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, we follow the historic Christian practice of closed communion. According to the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 11, only those who share the same outward confession of faith join us at the altar. Members of other LC-MS congregations are welcome, but we ask that you please see the pastor before communing. If you arrive too late to do this before the service, please introduce yourself to the pastor after the service.

✠ *In Nomine Iesu* ✠

Opening Hymn

Lutheran Service Book 904
Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Divine Service Setting Four

Lutheran Service Book pg. 203

The Introit (Sunday 9:00 AM)

The congregation chants the verses in **bold** print.

Psalm 62:5-8; antiphon vs. 1
setting by Stephen P. Johnson

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

For God alone, O my soul, wait in | silence,*
for my hope is | from him.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my | fortress;*
I shall not be | shaken.

On God rests my salvation and my | glory;*
my mighty rock, my refuge | is God.

Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart be- | fore Him;*
God is a refuge | for us.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

Kyrie p. 204

Gloria in Excelsis
Salutation and Collect of the Day p. 205

The Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²“Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. ¹⁵You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵What we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake. ⁶For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus’ sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in You.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia and Verse (Sunday 9:00 AM)

Mark 2:27

Verse setting by Stephen P. Johnson

Congregation:

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir: The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath

Congregation:



Alleluia and Verse (Thursday 6:30 PM)

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The Holy Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the second and third chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²³One Sabbath [Jesus] was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, His disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴And the Pharisees were saying to Him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” ²⁵And He said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: ²⁶how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?” ²⁷And He said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.”

¹Again He entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. ²And they watched Jesus, to see whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him. ³And He said to the man with the withered hand, “Come here.” ⁴And He said to them, “Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?” But they were silent. ⁵And He looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, “Stretch out your hand.” He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against Him, how to destroy Him.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Nicene Creed

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Hymn of the Day

LSB 906
O Day of Rest and Gladness

The Sermon

Text:

“Sabbath is for Man”
Mark 2:23-3:6

Prayer of the Church

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The Preparation of the Altar (Choir Sunday 9:00 AM) *Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness*
Carl Schalk

Liturgy of Holy Communion

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Distribution Hymns

LSB 621, 865, 631

Nunc Dimittis

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Post-Communion Collect

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Benedicamus and Benediction

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Announcements

Closing Hymn

LSB 835
On Galilee’s High Mountain

✠ *Soli Deo Gloria* ✠

Visitors, we welcome you. Please sign the guest book and introduce yourself to the Pastor. Also complete a blue attendance card located in the pews and put an X in the () if you will be communing with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Thursday	5/23/24	6:30 p.m.	28
Sunday	5/26/24	9:00 a.m.	118

FLOWERS are given by Pat Hansen and family in celebration of the marriage of Logan Hansen and Melody McDonald.

WE PRAY for Joe Ananias (nephew of Lori Bolger), Michael Borchardt, Sr., Janet Brown, Melissa Brunner (daughter of Estes Grober and niece of the Gerloffs), Jennifer Chapel (niece of Linda Christian), Karen Christiansen, Kevin Coerper, Anna Rose Consigny, Sandy Damms, Harriet Davidson, Cheryl Fisher (sister of Lynn Hester), Daut Gaba, Gerald Garske, Carol Georgson, Glenn Georgson, Randall Gray (brother of Linda Goetz), Judy Hanson, Elaine Howe, Paul Howe, Michelle Johnson, Patricia Kattner (aunt of Amanda McGraw, sister of Pam Coerper), Marilyn Kolter, May Lindenberg, Barbara Linder, Timothy Maxwell (nephew of Cheryl Cahill), Konnie Otto, Angeline Pence, Laurelle Rendon (cousin of Linda Goetz), Susan Sochowski (wife of Mark Sochowski), Sherri Syta, and Glen and Jeff Wolfersdorff (brothers of Donna Metzfeld).

***NEW* PRAYER LIST** Beginning in June, there will be a change in how the prayer list is managed. Names will be on the list for one month. At the end of the month, names will be removed if no change or updates are received by the church office.

DIVINE SERVICE WITH WEDDING CEREMONY is today, Sunday, June 2 at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend. Logan Hansen and Melody McDonald will be married during this Divine Service.

SCRIP Orders are due today, Sunday, **June 2**. A Scrip order box, order forms, and envelopes are located in the narthex and church/school office. Place your order and check made out to Our Father's in one of the boxes, *OR* you may order online with the Presto Pay Plan at www.shopwithscrip.com. The website has a list of participating retailers. ***Please note that the website name has changed to raiseright.com, but the shopwithscrip.com link will still get you to the correct page to view vendors or place your order.*** Call Linda Hojnacki with any questions at (414) 427-5949.

SUMMER BELLS will ring on Sunday, June 9. We will rehearse on Tuesday, June 4 at 5:45 p.m. as well as Sunday, June 9 at 7:45 a.m. Question - please reach out to Stephen Johnson (sjohnson@ourfatherslutheran.org).

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS for the church and school will be Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. starting **June 3**.

OUR FATHER'S SENIOR LUNCHEON You are invited to the next luncheon on Thursday, June 13 at 11:30 a.m. It will be at Benny's Café located at 5354 South 27th Street, Milwaukee. No need to RSVP. Just show up! If you have any questions, contact Jan Wicks at (414) 719-9868.

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING will be held in the church on Sunday, June 23 after the church service. At this time, the Board of Directors will present to the congregation a budget for discussion and approval. Please plan to attend.

TROJAN HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK We ended our school year with a closing chapel service on Friday morning, followed by graduation that same evening. Our theme verse this year was Isaiah 41:10, "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." We pray that these words will be a constant source of comfort throughout the children's lives. Our Father's congregation, thank you for your continued prayers and support for your school.

A HUGE THANK YOU to those who have contributed towards the Congolese mission this past school year. The food was greatly appreciated by the children, and the money went towards transportation and other needed items.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday	6/2	DIVINE SERVICE Hansen/McDonald Wedding w/Divine Service	9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	6/4	PAC Meeting	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	6/5	No Morning Bible Study	
Thursday	6/6	DIVINE SERVICE	6:30 p.m.
Sunday	6/9	DIVINE SERVICE	9:00 a.m.

**THE CONGREGATION AT PRAYER
FOR THE WEEK OF
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

“Sabbath is for Man”
June 2 through June 8, 2024

How might this devotional be used with young children? Several parents have commented that this devotion is too long to use with their children. This is intended as an outline which each family may adapt to use in the household. With younger children you might use only the invocation, the Creed, one Bible reading, the catechism, and the Lord's Prayer along with other family prayers. By the time they are four, they will be able to join in the Creed and Lord's Prayer which will aide in maintaining their attention. It is a challenge to keep children still, but the habitual activity will train them in listening and give them the discipline needed for other areas of life also. Remember that devotions are not to be entertainment, they are a time for the Good Shepherd to feed His sheep. Teach your children how to listen to the Word of God first, then as they grow older, you can help them understand the text. More will be said about that next week.

INVOCATION: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
AMEN.

THE CREED

VERSE: Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.
Isaiah 41:10

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK: Eternal God, Your Son Jesus Christ is our true Sabbath rest. Help us to keep each day holy by receiving His Word of comfort that we may find our rest in Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

PSALM OF THE WEEK: 33:12-22

PSALMODY PRAYER: Lord, send forth your own dear Son, the Angel of the LORD, to fight against and destroy all my enemies as He fought for Israel of old. Protect me from those who seek to destroy me in body and soul and cause me to remember that You alone are my salvation. **AMEN.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday	Mark 8:22-26
Tuesday	Mark 8:27-9:1
Wednesday	Mark 9:2-13
Thursday	Mark 9: 14-29
Friday	Mark 9:30-59
Saturday	Mark 3:20-35

CATECHISM FOR THE WEEK: Table of Duties

To Everyone

The commandments . . . are summed up in this one rule: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” *Romans 13:9*

I urge . . . that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone. *1 Timothy 2:1*

Let each his lesson learn with care, and all the household well shall fare.

Luther, Lectures on Genesis 17:3-6: The banner which Christ has raised when He said (Mark 16:15): “Go into all the world” is not in one specific nook or in one particular family. For this reason, it is called the catholic church. Yet this church consists only of those who are baptized. For apart from Baptism there is no salvation, just as at that time salvation resulted from circumcision and, as it were, embodied it. From the beginning of the world, divine wisdom has so ordained and arranged things that there was always some public sign toward which all peoples might look in order that the Gentiles, too, might find, worship, and pray to the true God, although not all who had that sign believed and had use of it for righteousness. . . . For because through the divine blessing Abraham was to be multiplied into peoples and kingdoms, the church is embodied, so to speak, in his flesh for a time, and a universal sign is given - a sign which pertained to the church in such a way that even if those who believed did not have it, they were not excluded from the church . . . God establishes a sign of grace in order that it may be recognized by sinners and sinners may be saved; but it commonly happens that those for whom the sign is set up despise it. Thus Baptism has been established as a sign of righteousness for all who believe in Christ . . . We say the same thing about circumcision, with which the Gentiles are not burdened but are nevertheless invited to the same faith in order that Abraham may be the father of the circumcised as well as of the uncircumcised. Therefore, many of the Gentiles believed, but the Jews kept their hearts uncircumcised. Thus circumcision was an opportunity for salvation even for the Gentiles and was profitable for them. For we have need of marks and signs of this kind in order that they may lead us to the knowledge of God, since human reason is unable to find God unless such signs instituted by God lead us by the hand, so to speak. And nothing is more dangerous than if one devises his own way to God and relies on his own speculation . . .

Why do we not follow the signs which the Lord himself has established for the purpose of gathering us into the unity of faith, that is, the Word of God, Baptism, and the Lord's Supper? Thus when the Jews had the temple, circumcision, and a definite form of worship for which they, as people who acknowledged one God as their Leader, were to assemble, as under a military standard, they disregarded all this and turned to their own endeavors. Everyone devised his own way of worshiping God and followed it to his own certain destruction. When God reveals Himself in some sign, no matter what its nature, one must take hold of Him in it. . . . Christ must be sought where He has manifested Himself and wants to be known, as in the Word, in Baptism, and in the Supper: there He is certainly found, for the Word cannot deceive us. But it generally happens that reason disregards those signs and turns aside to the harlot sitting by the gate (Prov. 7:10 ff.). Therefore, let everyone remember to walk on the way God Himself has prescribed, not on the one we ourselves have chosen; for our own choice is sinful and delusive . . . We shall be safe from these dangers if we follow that visible form or those signs which God himself has set before us. In the New Testament, we have as a visible form the Son of God on the lap of His mother Mary. He suffered and died for us, as the Creed teaches. Besides, we have other visible forms: Baptism, The Eucharist, and the spoken Word itself. Therefore, we cannot complain of having been forsaken. (*LW* 3:106-109, St. Louis: Concordia, 1960)

PRAYER: Each day a different aspect of Christian life is covered.

Monday	Our Baptism, calling, and daily work
Tuesday	Deliverance from sin and temptation
Wednesday	Marriage, family, and schools
Thursday	The Lord's Supper, the Church, and Her Pastors
Friday	The Preaching of the Cross, the persecuted, and missions
Saturday	True repentance and restoration of the withering
Sunday	The Hope of the resurrection and faithfulness to the Word

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

OR

LUTHER'S EVENING PRAYER: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the Evil Foe may have no power over me. **AMEN.**

HYMN OF THE WEEK: *LSB 553 "O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire"*
(stanza 4)

**LOOKING FORWARD TO
THE WEEK OF
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

"What is the Will of God?"
June 9, 2024

HYMNS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 569, 668, 572, 716, 637, 561

READINGS

Genesis 3:8-15
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Mark 3:20-35

I believe in the Holy Spirit who calls the holy Christian Church into being. Last week you heard that the Church is the place of rest. Now you move forward with the question, what is the Church? Jesus speaks of the house which is the language of the Church. Indeed, He has cast Satan out of the Church. Christ came to the strong man's house (Satan's house, the world) to bind up the strong man (was crucified, died, and was buried) and plunder His house (He descended into hell). Is this not the fulfillment of the promise in Genesis 3 that He will crush Satan's head? The Church is the place where His Word is preached in its truth and purity. The Church is not defined by the people who belong, but by the Word of God and the Sacraments. The Holy Spirit comes through these means to bring the forgiveness of sins. The only unforgivable sin is to deny the preached Word which is a rejection of the Holy Spirit, the sin of unbelief. Through this preaching and the holy Sacraments, the Holy Spirit works the adoption of sons and a new family is born. That unseen family is the Church for it is there that you find your real brother and sister and mother who do the will of God with you, that is, hear the Word of God and keep it. The earthly family perishes and is frequently torn apart by sin ending in divorce and all the painful consequences, but the heavenly family endures for your Father in heaven never fails you and your Mother, the Church, never fails to comfort you. There, She unites you with your true family at the heavenly meal for the forgiveness of sins.

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