



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor Brenda Wicklund

October 16, 2022 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

“We are called by God to grow in faith together, sharing Christ’s love with each other and our community”

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Welcome to Worship this morning. We will be sharing Holy Communion. Communion will be given two ways, you can either come up front and receive from Pastor, or Pastor can commune you, or you can pick up the convenient cup/wafer before the service and receive at your seat.

Reminder: we are videoing “live”.



Pray always. Do not lose heart. This is Christ’s encouragement in the gospel today. Wrestle with the word. Remember your baptism again and again. Come regularly to Christ’s table. Persistence in our every encounter with the divine will be blessed.

For Worship today,

“Let Us Enter In” (yellow booklet)

You are My Hiding Place

You are my hiding place You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You I will trust in You When the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord."

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I Love You Lord

I love You, Lord____, And I lift my voice_____ To wor-ship You, O my soul__ rejoice__! Take joy, my King____, in what You hear:___ May it be a sweet__, sweet sound__ in Your ear____ (repeat 2x) (sing 3 times total).

As the Deer

As the deer pants for the water So my soul longs after You You alone are my heart's desire And I long to worship You.

Chorus: You alone are my strength, my shield; To You, alone, may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship You.

You're my friend and You are my brother Even tho' You are a King. I love You more than any other, So much more than an-y-thing.

(NO Chorus)

I want You more than gold or silver, Only You can sa-tis-fy. You alone are the real joy giver, And the ap-ple of my eye.

(Chorus)

Seek Ye First

See ye first the kingdom of God And its righteousness And all these things shall be added unto you Allelu, alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and ye shall find Knock and the door shall be opened unto you Allelu, alleluia

We do not live by bread alone But by every word That proceeds from the mouth of God Allelu, alleluia

Here I Am to Worship

1 Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.

Refrain: So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

2 King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came to the earth You created, all for love's sake became poor.

Refrain: So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

3 And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross. And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross.

Refrain: So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

All Are Welcome

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

2 Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: **Refrain**

3 Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: **Refrain**

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: **Refrain**

5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: **Refrain**

Welcome and Announcements

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Ringing of the Bell and Lighting of Candles

Confession of Sins

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Invocation “In the name of God our Maker” on pg. 1

“Let Us Enter In”

Opening Song: “Come let us worship our God” pg. 1

“Let Us Enter In”

Kyrie on pg. 2

“Let Us Enter In”

Song of Praise on page 2

“Let Us Enter In”

Salutation on page 3

“Let Us Enter In”

Prayer of Day

C: O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Returning to the home he had fled many years before after stealing his brother's birthright and his father's blessing, Jacob wrestles all night long with a divine adversary who ultimately blesses him and changes his name to "Israel," a name that means "he wrestles with God."

First Lesson: Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

Second Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Alleluia on pg. 4

"Let Us Enter In"

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Lord, Listen to Your Children

Red Worship Book 752

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

Children's Sermon

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Sermon

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Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Red Worship Book 512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word. Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood. When my heart is hard, break the stone away. When my heart is cold, warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Affirmation of Faith on pg. 5

“Let Us Enter In”

Prayers for the People of God on page 5

“Let Us Enter In”

Offering of tithes and gifts on pg. 6

“Let Us Enter In”

Offering Song on pg. 6

“Let Us Enter In”

Offering Prayer on page 6

“Let Us Enter In”

The Great Thanksgiving on page 7

“Let Us Enter In”

Holy, Holy, Holy on page 7

Let Us Enter In”

Invitation and Words of Institution on page 8 and 9

“Let Us Enter In”

The Prayer of Christ (Lord’s Prayer) on page 9

“Let Us Enter In”

The Distribution of Communion (songs)

“We Come to the Hungry Feast” on pg. 8 & 9

“let Us Enter In”

“Lamb of God” on pg. 10

“Let Us Enter In”

“You Are Mine”

Red Worship Book 581

I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear. You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here. I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see. In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me.

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name. Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame. All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name.

Refrain

I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give. I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live!

Communion Blessing (when distribution is completed) on page 10

“Let Us Enter In”

Post-Communion Canticle (All Sing) on page 10 and 11

“Let Us Enter In”

Closing Prayer on page 11

“Let Us Enter In”

Blessing on page 11

“Let Us Enter In”

Sending Music The Family Prayer Song (As for Me and My House)

Come and fill our homes With Your presence You alone are worthy of our rev’rence
As for me and my house We will serve the Lord (3x) We will serve the Lord
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Next Week’s Readings and Psalm

First Reading

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Psalm

Psalm 84:1-7

Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

*The Noisy offering for this month is for ELCA World Hunger", there will be a bowl as you exit the church. **



Prayer Concerns and Sympathy~ Bradley Fairbanks, Leigha Ness, Kathy Thompson, Judy Smith, Lana Jensen, Wally Guptill, Karen Johnson (mother of Jamie and Amy Johnson), Marie Sigler (niece of Virgil and Joyce Seegerbarth), Yvonne Guptill, Drew (Mindy's brother), Marsha Skoog (friend of Patty Sweeny) and Alysa McFadden (daughter of Robert and Pat Anderson).

Care facility member ~Dorothy Svendsen.

For Health Care Workers, Firefighters, EMT's, those who serve to protect Policemen and women and military.

For world peace. For our companion synods.

For our missionaries: Jacqueline and Patrick Bencke

Announcements/Calendar

Sun. 8:30 am Coffee Fellowship; Parish nurse checking BP before service; 9:30 am First Word Worship/HC; Church Council following service.

Mon. November Newsletter Deadline.

Tues. 9:30 am Women's Bible Study.

Wed. NO CONFIRMATION, FiA, WORHIP or YOUTH GROUP DUE TO MEA.

Thurs. 8 am Men's Text Study; Out to Lunch Bunch at Brass Rail, meet at 11 am at church.

Sat. 8 pm AA mtg.

Sun. 8:30 am Coffee Fellowship; 9:30 am Worship/HC; 1-4 pm Family Fun at Luther point Bible Camp.



Wed., October 26th
Dinner 5 pm
5:30-6:30 Trunk or Treat
First Lutheran Church South parking lot.

What is trunk or treat? Best answer is when everyone brings their car to the church parking lot and decorates it for Trick or Treat and the children dress in costume and go from car trunk to car trunk for treats. This is a safe alternative to trick or treating door to door.

Let Mindy or church office know if you would like to participate.



Youth Group (grades 7-12) will be
Trick or Treating for the Food Shelf
Monday, October 31st from 5-8 pm

If you would like the youth to stop at your house let Mindy know
or you may bring in your donation.