

We welcome you in the name of our Savior. The knowledge of the Holy Scriptures makes us wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus! With that truth in mind, we celebrate Examination Sunday as a chance for all of us – not just the eighth grade confirmands – to refresh ourselves on the saving truths of God’s Word. If you are a guest with us, please sign our guest register at the bottom of the stairs. We invite you to worship with us again.

## **Our Worship**

**Order of Service:** “The Common Service” can also be found on page 15 in *Christian Worship* if you would like to follow the music there.

**HYMN:** 169 verses 1-3

*STAND*

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: (Sung) Amen**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

## **LORD HAVE MERCY**

**C: (Sung) Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.**

**M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.**

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.**

## **GLORY BE TO GOD**

**C: (Sung) Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men. We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of**

**the Father, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us. For you only are holy; you only are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C: (Sung) And also with you.**

**M:** Let us pray.

**M:** Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen**

*BE SEATED*

**THE WORD**

**1<sup>st</sup> Lesson: Acts 17:22-31 (NIV)** *Paul preaches before the Areopagus in Athens. To these pagan Greeks he proclaims the "unknown God"- the God who made the world and calls all people to repentance and faith in the One whom he raised from the dead.*

<sup>22</sup>Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. <sup>25</sup>And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. <sup>26</sup>From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. <sup>27</sup>God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' <sup>29</sup>"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by man's design and skill. <sup>30</sup>In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. <sup>31</sup>For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead."

## PSALM OF THE DAY: 66 on page 90

**Epistle Lesson: 1 Peter 3:15-22 (NIV)** *Peter admonishes the faithful to be ready always to confess the hope they have in Christ Jesus, particularly when they face hardship and persecution.*

<sup>15</sup>But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, <sup>16</sup>keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. <sup>17</sup>It is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>through whom also he went and preached to the spirits in prison <sup>20</sup>who disobeyed long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, <sup>21</sup>and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

## VERSE OF THE DAY

**M:** Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Alleluia.

**C: (Sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*STAND*

**C: (Sung) Glory be to you, O Lord!**

**GOSPEL: John 14:15-21 (NIV)** *Jesus' farewell discourse continues from last week. The Spirit is promised to the disciples, and they are comforted that Christ will return. He exhorts them to show love for God by giving loving obedience to his commands.*

<sup>15</sup>"If you love me, you will obey what I command. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever— <sup>17</sup>the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. <sup>18</sup>I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."

**C: (Sung) Praise be to you, O Christ!**

# **APOSTLES CREED**

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.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY:** 377 verses 1-4,9,10

**SERMON TEXT:** John 20:19-31 (Saturday)

“WHERE THERE WAS DOUBT, THERE IS JESUS”

**EXAMINATION OF CONFIRMANDS** (Sunday)

*STAND*

**C: (Sung) Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free spirit. Amen.**

*BE SEATED*

**OFFERING**

*STAND*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**(Saturday)**

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.

Or

**(Sunday)**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN: 284**

*STAND*

**M:** Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**M:** The Lord bless and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

**C: (Sung) Amen. Amen. Amen**

**CLOSING HYMN: 355 (please stand)**



*We welcome those visiting us today. If you are a resident of this area and have no church home, we invite you to give consideration to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, town of Liberty. If so interested, you may speak to the pastor. We pray the blessing of God's Holy Spirit upon his Word, which you are hearing with us today. Please worship with us again!*

## **Announcements:**

### **Organist**

Our organist this weekend is Jen Knutson. We thank her for supporting our worship and our singing with music.

### **Prayer Requests**

- Ed Matthias – *recently readmitted to the hospital, we pray for his Father to carry him through this hardship again and build up his perseverance in the LORD.*

Harold Jaeger – *who rests at home with his illness, we ask our Lord to grant him a patient and joyous heart in his Savior's promises of protection and eternal life, and that same solace we pray for his wife and family.*

- Jim Liermann – *as he under goes more treatments, we pray that the Lord would build up his body for the challenge, grant him vigorous health, and a strengthened hope in the God of perfect mercy.*

- Jesse Lietzau – *who is serving in the Middle East. We pray that the LORD would protect him and his family in Christ. We pray the same for Nicole Schultz; granddaughter of Ralph Schultz and Ed Vetter, who also is serving in the Middle East.*

### **Ascension Day Service**

We plan to celebrate our Lord Jesus' ascension into heaven with a church service on Ascension Day, May 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM.

## **Reception for Confirmands**

After the Sunday service there will be a donut and coffee reception for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmands – Brett Glaeser, Kayla Kasten, Uriah Matznick, Joseph Nagel, and Sally Propson. All are invited!

## **Reminder for the Confirmands and Parents**

Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> the photographer will be here to take pictures for confirmation. He will be here at 1:00 PM. So please remember your gown and bring a smile!

## **Taping the Services**

We are still looking for people interested to help tape the services. These would then be used for shut-ins and our web site. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions please contact Jeff Knutson.

## **Brewer Game**

Be sure to come along and enjoy the game. The date is July 13<sup>th</sup>. The Milwaukee Brewers take on the Cincinnati Reds at Miller Park. The cost is only \$45.00 per person, which includes a ticket, transportation on a coach bus, lunch from Subway, beverages, snacks and a tip for the bus driver. Please fill out a lunch order form when signing up for the trip. A lunch order needs to be completed for each person in your party. Please write out your check out to Trinity Lutheran Church and place it along with the lunch order forms in Chad Knutson's church mailbox.

## **MLHS Happenings**

### **Week of 4/28 – 5/4**

- Mon 4/28      Track @ Kewaunee (frosh & soph)
- Tue 4/29      Baseball vs. St. Mary Central (JV – H; V – A)  
Softball vs. St. Mary Central (H)
- Thur 5/1      Track @ Roncalli  
Baseball vs. Roncalli (JV – A; V – H)  
Softball vs. Roncalli (A)
- Fri 5/2      Track @ WLC  
Baseball vs. Reedsville (JV – A; V – H)  
Softball vs. Reedsville (H)
- Sat 5/3      WSMA State Solo/Ensemble @ UWGB

## **REMINDERS**

- \*Be sure to check the MLHS calendar for events.
- \*Scrip is available again.
- \*Remember Sunday School for our children, and the Sunday Bible Class series, “*WELS and Other Lutherans*” – Four weeks left till summer recess.

## **Calendar of Events**

<b>Sat.26<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00 p.m.	Worship
<b>Sun.27<sup>th</sup></b>	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship – Examination of Confirmands
<b>Tues. 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7:15 p.m.	Bible Information Class
<b>Thurs.1<sup>st</sup></b>	7:00 p.m.	Ascension Day Service
<b>Sat.3<sup>rd</sup></b>	1:00 p.m.	Pictures with the Confirmands
	7:00 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
<b>Sun.4<sup>th</sup></b>	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class
	8:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:30 a.m.	Worship with Confirmation/Holy Communion



### **Greeters:**

April 27<sup>th</sup>: Todd & Tammy Glaeser family

May 4<sup>th</sup>: James & Julie Glaeser

### **Ushers:**

April 26<sup>th</sup>: Dave Williamson, Derrick Krey

April 27<sup>th</sup>: Gary Vetter, Al Bonfigt, Larry Hochkammer, James Ott

May 1<sup>st</sup>: Dan Knutson, Mark Kiesow, Peter Liermann, August Teesch

May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Harold Bratz (Server), David Schultz (Server), Marty Kiesow

May 4<sup>th</sup>: James Glaeser (Server), Brian Glaeser (Server), Eli Kenneke,

A.J. Kenneke

## Altar Guild: May- Group 4:

*Helen Isaacson, Elaine Petersen, Donna Nagel, Bonnie Wagner*



## *Happy Birthday to...*

4/26 Marilyn Kaufmann

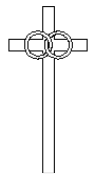
4/27 Matthew Schreiber

4/29 Madeline Schleis

5/2 Jessica Jungbluth

5/2 Mabel Liermann - *82 Years Young!*

5/3 Rachel Nagel



## *Happy Anniversary To...*

4/29 Leonard & Sharon Arnold – 47 Years!

5/1 Todd & Tammy Glaeser – 15 Years!

*\*If you have an April birthday/anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records! Thanks!*