

We welcome you to worship today. May the Holy Spirit, through the good news of Jesus Christ, kindle in your heart the fire of God's love and the flame of true saving faith. If you are a guest with us, please sign our guest register. We invite you to worship with us again!

## **Our Worship**

**Order of Service:** "Service Of The Word" can also be found on page 38 in *Christian Worship* if you would like to follow the music there.

**HYMN** – 369

*STAND*

**M:** The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## **CONFESSION OF SINS**

**M:** 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.**

**M:** 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: Amen.**

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

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

## **OH, TASTE AND SEE (Sung)**

**C:** Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him. Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**M:** Let us pray.

**M:** Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of

your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen. (Sung)**

*BE SEATED*

## **THE WORD**

**Old Testament Lesson: 1 Kings 19:3-8 (NIV)** *God sent Elijah to be his messenger even amidst threats to Elijah's life, and gave him a strong sign that his heavenly power would provide. The Lord assures us of his loving providence by his Word.*

<sup>3</sup> Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, <sup>4</sup> while he himself went a day's journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup> He looked around, and there by his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." <sup>8</sup> So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by

that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

## **PSALM 34 – Page 80**

**Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 4:30-5:2 (NIV)** *What is impossible for natural man, the gospel empowers us to do. We may be imitators of God because of the forgiving love of Christ.*

<sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

<sup>1</sup>Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children <sup>2</sup>and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

### **VERSE OF THE DAY:**

**M:** Alleluia. Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Alleluia. (Hebrews 11:1)

**C: (Sung) Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*STAND*

**Gospel: John 6:41-51 (NIV)** *Jesus' words seem contemptible to the unbelieving world. But behold! He bids us believe. Jesus the Bread of Life feeds our faith by the miraculous power of his words.*

<sup>41</sup>At this the Jews began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>"Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered. <sup>44</sup>"No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me. <sup>46</sup>No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>I tell you the truth, he who believes has everlasting life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your forefathers ate the manna in the desert, yet they died. <sup>50</sup>But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which a man may eat and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

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

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY – 361**

**Sermon Text: John 6:41-51**

“IN RESPONSE TO GRUMBLING JESUS GIVES THE GOSPEL”

*STAND*

## **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*

## **OFFERING**

*STAND*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** – (On page 126 in hymnal)

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN** – 376 vs.1-5

*STAND*

**M:** O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

**M:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you 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.**

**HYMN** – 332 (Please remain standing)



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

## **Announcements:**

### **Organist**

Our organist this weekend is Jen Knutson. We thank her for playing and helping to beautify our worship.

### **Guest Preacher**

We give a big thank you to Pastor candidate Tom Barthel, for bringing us God's Word today and leading us in worship. He is a recent graduate of our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, and awaits a call to a WELS congregation. Pastor Pope will lead the worship in the park tomorrow in Valders.

### **Prayer Requests –**

- Mike Enders – as he receives more cancer treatments. O Lord, we ask you to bring Mike physical healing and strengthen his faith. Give continued comfort to him and his family by your holy promises.
- Todd Bergmann – who is scheduled to undergo surgery this Wednesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at Aurora Two Rivers, we entrust him to our God of mercy. Lord Jesus, grant Todd a successful procedure according to your will, and lead him to recovery as he trusts in you.

- Jesse Lietzau – now doing military service in California, we thank the LORD for guarding him by his holy angels. We also ask God’s protective grace for Lee W. Petersen Jr., grandson of Wayne & Elaine Petersen, serving in Baghdad.
- Army Ranger PFC Gregory Buechner Jr. – deployed to Afghanistan to serve there several months, heavenly Father, guard him with your baptismal love and wondrous might. Lead him to serve you. Keep him from harm.
- Jessica Johnson – who will be studying abroad in Scotland for the next 4 years to become a veterinarian: Lord God, may this stay be a great blessing to Jessica. Fill her with enriching experiences, build up her faith, and bring her back safely, we pray.



To everyone who has helped and will help with our outdoor worship tomorrow, and to those who will help with the refreshments afterwards. Thank you much for all your hard work!

### **Altar Flowers**

If you would like to donate altar flowers for a weekend, please let the church secretary know. The sign up sheet will return as soon as the construction is over.

### **Sunday School**

The first day of Sunday school will be September 13<sup>th</sup>. If anyone has not enrolled their child or children and would like to do so, please contact Daniel Knutson at 775-3803.

## H.O.T List

Recently it was brought to the Church Council's attention that there might be people in our congregation that could use some help getting to an appointment, shopping for groceries, or maybe needing some help with a small project outside or inside the home. If you would like to volunteer to be on the **H.O.T** list, (Help Others Today), just give Pastor your name and phone number. There are no meetings, or dues. If you need a driver for an appointment or physical help, call Pastor and he will find someone for you from the **H.O.T** list. Any questions about this program, please talk to Pastor.

## Lutheran Ladies League Rally

The annual Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Ladies League Fall Rally will be held on Wednesday, September 30, 2009, at Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3209 Meadow Lane, Manitowoc. Co-hosts for the event are Bethany and Grace, Manitowoc. The theme for this year's rally is "Year of Jubilee." The morning speaker will be Pastor Richard Warnke. He and his wife have spent time in Ukraine doing mission work. They are now residing in Cleveland, Wisconsin, with their family. The afternoon speaker will be Pastor David Liggett, President and Director of Christian Giving for the WELS Foundation. He will speak on the "Year of Jubilee." Two delegates from each congregation are asked to be present for the delegate meeting on the morning of the rally. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., with the delegate meeting being held at 8:15 a.m. Registrations are \$5.00 each if made by September 16 and \$6.00 at the door. Everyone is invited. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Cindy Williamson at 758-2726.

## **Repeat Performance Resale Shop Sale**

Our End Of Summer Sale will be held Friday August 27<sup>th</sup> and Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup>. We will have a bag sale at \$5 a bag. It will include clothing and shoes, stuffed animals, with some exceptions as noted in the store. 4341 Enterprise Ct. Manitowoc (behind Country Kitchen).

## **Reminders**

- \*There will be no Trinity Ladies Circle meeting for August.
- \*Holy Communion will be Aug. 29<sup>nd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.
- \*Manitowoc County Fair is August 25-30.

## **MLHS News**

Sun 8/23 MLHS Freshman & Parents Welcome; 6:00pm  
Fri 8/28 Jr. Lancers 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team vs. Reedsville; 4:30pm (H)-Football  
MLHS Varsity vs. Reedsville; 7:00pm (H)-Football  
Mon 8/31 Freshman Breakfast & Orientation

## **Calendar of Events**

**Sat.22<sup>nd</sup>** 7:00 p.m. Worship  
**Sun.23<sup>rd</sup>** 9:30 a.m. Worship in Valders  
**Sat.29<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion  
**Sun.30<sup>th</sup>** 9:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

### **Ushers:**

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> Dave Williamson, Derrick Krey  
Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> John Smith, Len Arnold, Larry Hochkammer, Elwood Free  
Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> David Schultz (Server), Warren Lutze (Server), Mike Kiesow  
Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> James Ott (Server), Mark Knutson (Server), Jeff Tuschel,  
Dan Knutson

### **Altar Guild: August – Group 4:**

Marie Knutson, Darlene Kiesow, Marilyn Kaufmann, Grace Ott



## *A Happy Birthday to...*

8/27 Doris Wehausen

**\*\* 8/29 Lucille Jaeger-81 yrs. young**

8/29 Aaron Wallander

8/30 Hannah Bratz

8/30 Heidi Bratz

8/31 Lisa Kiesow

8/31 Tyler Teesch



## *Happy Anniversary To...*

8/31 Jeff & Sherri Kasten – 19 years!

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