

***Third Sunday after Pentecost***  
***June 25<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>st</sup>, 2017***

Welcome to worship! The Holy Ministry is filled with people whom God called out of his boundless mercy. Nothing else could explain the choices for ministers that God made! He calls such sinful and weak men to fill this office. Only mercy can explain the men he chose in this Sunday's lessons: a despised tax collector, an exiled killer, a persecutor of Christians. How poignant these lessons are, when we remember that each lesson was penned by the unworthy minister called into service by God's boundless mercy!

**Our Worship**

**Order of Service:** "Service of the Word" from *Christian Worship*, as printed in this bulletin

**Hymn:** 401, "Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ"

1. Your works, not mine, O Christ, Speak gladness to this heart.  
They tell me all is done; They bid my fear depart.

**Refrain**

**To whom but you, who can alone  
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?**

2. Your blood, not mine, O Christ, Can heal my sinful soul;  
Your wounds, not mine, contain The balm that makes me whole.

## **Refrain**

3. Your cross, not mine, O Christ, Has borne the dreadful load  
Of sins that none could bear But the incarnate God.

## **Refrain**

4. Your death, not mine, O Christ, Has paid the ransom due;  
Ten thousand deaths like mine Would have been all too few.

## **Refrain**

5. Your righteousness, O Christ, Alone can cover me;  
No other righteousness Can set a sinner free.

## **Refrain**

*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:** O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: (Sung) Amen.**

*Be Seated*

## The Word

### **First Lesson: Hosea 5:15—6:6 (NIV84)**

<sup>15</sup>Then I will go back to my place until they admit their guilt. And they will seek my face; in their misery they will earnestly seek me.”

“Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. <sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. <sup>3</sup>Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth.” <sup>4</sup>“What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the

early dew that disappears. <sup>5</sup>Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth; my judgments flashed like lightning upon you. <sup>6</sup>For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.

**Psalm: 119c**

## **Refrain**

**Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.**

Oh, how I / love your law!\*

I meditate on it / all day long.

I have more insight than all my / teachers,\*

For I meditate on your / statutes.

I have more understanding than the / elders,\*

For I obey your / precepts.

## **Refrain**

I have kept my feet from every / evil path\*

So that I might o/bey your Word.

I have not departed / from your laws,\*

For you yourself have / taught me.

How sweet are your words / to my taste,\*

Sweeter than honey / to my mouth!

**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.**

## Refrain

### Second Lesson: Romans 4:18-25

<sup>18</sup> Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup> Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead. <sup>20</sup> Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup> The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, <sup>24</sup> but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. <sup>25</sup> He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

### Verse of the Day

**M:** Alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

**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*



## **The Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?" <sup>12</sup> On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

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

*Be Seated*

**Hymn of the Day: 382, "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**

1. My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare to make no other claim  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

## **Refrain**

**On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

2. When darkness veils his lovely face,  
I rest on his unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.

## **Refrain**

3. His oath, his covenant and blood  
Support me in the raging flood;  
When every earthly prop gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.

## **Refrain**

4. When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in him be found,  
Clothed in his righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before his throne.

## **Refrain**

### **Sermon Text: Matthew 9:9-13**

“Where Urgent Care Meets Wellness”

*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**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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: 406, "This Is the Threefold Truth"**

1. This is the threefold truth on which our faith depends;  
And with this joyful cry worship begins and ends:

### **Refrain**

**Christ has died! Christ is risen!  
Christ will come again!**

2. Made sacred by long use, new minted for our time,  
Our liturgies sum up the hope we have in him:

### **Refrain**

3. On this we fix our minds as, kneeling side by side,  
We take the bread and wine, take him, the Crucified:

### **Refrain**

4. By this we are upheld when doubt or grief assails  
Our Christian faith and love, and only grace avails:

### **Refrain**

5. This is the threefold truth which, if we hold it fast,  
Changes the world and us and brings us home at last:

### **Refrain**

*Stand*

**M:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, 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:** 327, “God Be with You till We Meet Again”

(You may remain standing.)

1. God be with you till we meet again,  
By his counsels guide, uphold you,  
With his sheep securely fold you  
God be with you till we meet again.

**Refrain**

**Till we meet, Till we meet, Till we meet at Jesus’ feet.  
Till we meet, Till we meet, God be with you till we  
meet again.**

2. God be with you till we meet again,  
'Neath his wings protecting hide you,  
Daily manna still provide you  
God be with you till we meet again.

## **Refrain**



*We welcome our guests who are with us today. If you are a resident of this area and have no church home, we invite you to consider Trinity Evangelical 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. Please worship with us again!*

## **Announcements:**

### **Organist**

Our organist this weekend is Janice Loppnow, from Trinity, Kiel. We thank her for beautifying our worship with her organ playing.

### **Church Picnic**

Please join us after worship for our lunch and church picnic. Thank you to the Board of Evangelism for setting up the outdoor service, to the Fellowship Committee for setting up the meal and assisting with the games, to those who brought food, and to the Sunday School teachers for helping to organize the games!

## Videotape Help

If anyone is interested in helping videotape please contact Pastor Pope or Jeff Knutson. The videos are turned into DVDs for broadcast on cable and also for shut-ins, and a local nursing home.

## Church Office Hours

The core church office hours are: Monday - Friday, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

## V. B. S. w/ St. John's, Newtonburg – Starts Sunday

Our Vacation Bible School will be held this week, Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. at St John's, Newtonburg. We are teaming up with St. John's this year. If you didn't yet register, feel free to walk in and register.

### Ushers

Church Picnic

Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>      Derrick Krey, Wayne Otto, Elwood Free, Jeff Kasten

Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>      Keith Olm, Ben Kiesow, Josh Kiesow

Sunday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>      Jeff Knutson, James W. Ott, Jeff Tuschel, Paul Nagel

Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>      **NO SERVICE due to being the Fourth of July**

### Altar Guild: June – Group 5

Sarah Hackmann, Jennifer Pope, Jean Reindl, Janice Wehausen

### Greeters

June 18<sup>th</sup>      Eileen Pleuss

June 25<sup>th</sup>      Juel & Marie Knutson

## Calendar of Events

<b>Sun.25<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30 a.m.	Outdoor Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Church Picnic
	6-8 p.m.	Vacation Bible School @ Newtonburg
<b>Mon.26<sup>th</sup></b>	6-8 p.m.	Vacation Bible School @ Newtonburg
<b>Tues.27<sup>th</sup></b>	6-8 p.m.	Vacation Bible School @ Newtonburg
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
<b>Wed.28<sup>th</sup></b>	6-8 p.m.	Vacation Bible School @ Newtonburg
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Evangelism
<b>Thurs.29<sup>th</sup></b>	6-8 p.m.	Vacation Bible School @ Newtonburg
<b>Sat.1<sup>st</sup></b>	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Class
<b>Sun.2<sup>nd</sup></b>	9:30 a.m.	Worship
<b>Tues.4<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Happy Fourth of July!</b> <b>No Tuesday Worship Service</b>

### ***Happy Birthday to...***

6/25 Tammy Glaeser  
6/25 Ian Jones  
6/25 Brittani Meidl  
6/29 Denise Krueger  
7/1 Ariaah Brand  
7/1 Brian Glaeser  
7/1 Brooke Hansen

### ***Happy Anniversary to...***

6/25 Scott & Patricia Bratz – 8 years  
7/1 Gregory & Jennifer Pope – 11 years  
7/3 Eugene & Marlene Borgwardt – 35 years

\*If you have a June/July birthday/anniversary that was missed or listed incorrectly please let us know so we can update church records. Thank you!