

The Lutheran Church of the Savior

A Community of Faith: *Centered in Christ – Called to Serve*



Our *hearts*
in HIS *hand*

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly (1 Peter 4:8).

2021 LWML Sunday

Order of Worship

October 3, 2021 10:45 AM

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The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. Lutheran Women in Mission are women of faith, empowered for active service in Jesus' name and bold support of missions through Mite Box offerings. As Christians, we have been given the kingdom of God to bear its fruit.

Communion Theology and Practice

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is intended for those:

- who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- who have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son in the flesh and their personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil;
- who believe that they have sin that needs forgiving, hurt that needs healing, and faith that needs strengthening;
- who are committed to amending their sinful ways; and
- who believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine they receive the true body and blood of the risen Christ, together with the forgiveness of all their sins.

If you are a visitor with us this morning and wish to receive the Lord's Supper, please speak with the pastor before the service.

Thank you.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service

Invocation

P This is the day the Lord has made;

C Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Psalm 118:24

P Confident of the Lord's presence with us here in His house, we make our beginning in His powerful name; in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19

C Amen.

Opening Song

Power Of Your Love

Bullock

Verse 1, Chorus, Verse 2, Chorus, Chorus

Verse



Lord, I come to You, let my heart be changed, re - newed,
Lord, un-veil my eyes, let me see You, face to face,
- flow - ing from the grace that I've found in
the know-ledge of Your love, as You live in
You; And Lord, I've come to know the weaknesses I
me; And Lord, re - new my mind, - as Your will un-
see in me - will be stripped a - way
folds in my life, in liv - ing ev - 'ry day
by the pow'r of Your love.
by the pow'r of Your love.

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Chorus

Hold me close, let Your love sur-round me,
 bring me near, draw me to Your side;
 And as I wait I'll rise up like the ea -
 gle, and I will soar with You, Your Spir-it leads me
 on in the pow'r of Your love.

Prayer of Confession

- P** Holy Lord, as we stand in your presence, we are aware of our sins of thought, word, and action.
- C** **We have not always lived our lives according to your will.**
- P** We have often failed to live up to your expectations.
- C** **We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**
- P** But we know your promise, that if we confess our sins,
- C** **you will hear our cry, and grant us your forgiveness.**

Silence for confession and reflection

- P** Hear us now, O Lord, as we confess our failings to you...
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your**

present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Jesus has carried our sins to His own death. His sacrifice is complete and full – it is finished! The victory is won! Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 86:5–12

Spoken responsively, whole verse by whole verse

⁵For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

**⁶Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;
listen to my plea for grace.**

⁷In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.

**⁸There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.**

⁹All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

**¹⁰For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.**

¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

**¹²I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.**

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

Song of Praise

Everlasting God

Brown, Riley

Verse 1, Chorus 1, Verse 1, Chorus 2, Bridge, Chorus 2

(4) (4) **VERSE**

Strength will rise as we wait
 up - on the Lord. We will wait up - on the Lord, we will wait
 up - on the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait
 up - on the Lord. We will wait up - on the Lord, we will wait
 up - on the Lord. Je - sus You reign for - ev
 er; our Hope, our strong De - liv 'rer.

CHORUS %

You are the ev - er - last - ing God, the ev
 er - last - ing God. You do not faint, You won't grow
 wear - y. You're the de - fend - er of the
 weak. You com - fort those in need. You lift
 us up on wings like ea - gles.

3rd X to Coda **Interlude (3)**

Je - sus You reign for - ev - er; our Hope, our strong
 De - liv - - - 'rer. *D.S. al Coda* **CODA**
 wings like ea - gles.

Prayer

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 36:22–27

²²Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

1 Peter 1:17–25

¹⁷If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart,

²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for

“All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers,
and the flower falls,
²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



Holy Gospel

Mark 12:28–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

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

²⁸And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, “Which commandment is the most important of all?” ²⁹Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Nicene Creed

- ☩ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living
and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**



Sermon Song

A Pure Heart

Nelson

Chorus, Verse, Chorus, Verse, Chorus

Chorus C/F F F²/A 3 B^bmaj7 Am7

A pure heart, that's what I long for, a

Gm7 B^b/C F Gm7 B^b/C

heart that fol - lows hard af - ter Thee; A

C/F F F²/A 3 B^bmaj7 C/D Dm

pure heart, that's what I long for, a

Gm7 B^b/C F F²/A

heart that fol - lows hard af - ter Thee. A

Verse B^bmaj7 C/B^b Am7 Dm7

heart that hides Your Word so that sin will not come in, a

Gm7 B^b/C C

heart that's un - di - vid - ed but

Fmaj7 Cm7 E^b/F F

one You rule and reign; A

heart that beats com - pas - sion, that
 pleas - es You, my Lord, a sweet a
 - ro - ma of wor - ship that
 ris - es to Your throne.

Sermon

"Loving One Another"

1 Peter 1:22

Prayers of the Church Family and the Lord's Prayer

- P** Let us pray. Almighty God, You search our hearts and have seen our sin, and yet in Your love have reconciled us to Yourself through Your Son. Give us Your Spirit, the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, that our lives may grow in devotion to You for the salvation You have so graciously given us.

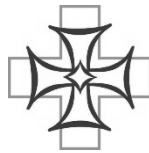
Response after each petition

- P** Lord, in your mercy,
C hear our prayer.
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has taught us to pray together:

C 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.**

Blessing

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C Amen.



Serve the Lord with Gladness

Tune LSB 662

1 "Serve the Lord with glad - ness!" It is He a - lone
 2 "Serve the Lord with glad - ness!" He gave us com - mand
 3 "Serve the Lord with glad - ness!" There's no great - er joy

Who re - deemed us sin - ners, Guides us as His own
 To pro - claim His Gos - pel, Now in ev' - ry land
 Than to serve the Mas - ter, Work in His em - ploy.

To en - joy the bless - ings, Of His love and grace,
 So that fel - low sin - ners, May, like us, be blest.
 As we build the king - dom, An - gels, too, re - joice



Will at last in glo - ry, Meet us face to face.
Lead-ing them to Je - sus, We can serve Him best.
Ov - er ev' - ry sin - ner, Brought to hear His voice.

Refrain



On - ward, then, for Je - sus! Let this be our aim:



"Serve the Lord with glad - ness!" Glor - i - fy His name!

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Lutheran Women in Mission praise the Lord for opportunities to share His message and love with people in all walks of life throughout our community and the world. Today the LWML invites you to join us in celebrating the joy of serving the Lord with gladness in this congregation. Together, we will offer our praise using the theme, "Our Hearts in HIS Hand," based on 1 Peter 4:8. We invite you to learn more about the mission and ministry of the LWML by asking an LWML member or going to the LWML website, www.lwm.org. Thank you for supporting the LWML through your mites and prayers.



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Resources for Meditation this Week

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

3 October 2021

Readings

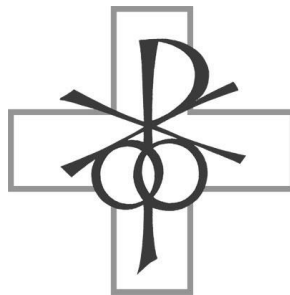
Genesis 2:18–25

Hebrews 2:1–13 (14–18)

Mark 10:2–16

Marriage Is a Sign that Manifests the Gospel of Christ and His Church

Humanity is created in the image and likeness of God. “It is not good that the man should be alone” (Gen. 2:18). For the Lord Himself is a perfect communion of three Persons — the Father, Son and Holy Spirit — in one God. Therefore, “the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs,” which “he made into a woman” and brought “to the man” (Gen. 2:21–22). It is for this reason that “a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh” (Gen. 2:24; Mark 10:7). This great mystery of holy marriage signifies Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son of God, and His Bride, the Church. Divorce and all manner of adultery contradict and undermine this sign, and in doing so, they confess a false Christ and a false gospel. “What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate” (Mark 10:9). In truth, Christ Jesus has atoned for all such sins, and He has perfected marriage in Himself “through suffering,” that He might bring “many sons to glory” in His resurrection (Heb. 2:8–10).



Readings

Amos 5:6–7, 10–15

Hebrews 3:12–19

Mark 10:17–22

Christ Jesus Is the One and Only Good by Whom You Inherit Eternal Life

The Lord is the Author and Giver of life, as well as a consuming fire of judgment against all “who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate” (Amos 5:12). “Seek the LORD and live,” therefore, by hating what is evil, loving what is good and doing what is just and right, according to His Word. “And so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you” (Amos 5:6, 14–15). Understand that “no one is good except God alone” (Mark 10:18). The life that you are called to live is found neither in your “great possessions,” nor in your good works, but only in Christ Jesus. Let go of “all that you have” and follow Him, even unto death, and “you will have treasure in heaven” (Mark 10:21–22). Do not harden your heart against His voice, nor turn away from Him, lest you “fall away from the living God.” Rather, hear and heed His call, cling to His Word, and “exhort one another every day,” that you may remain steadfast in Christ and “firm to the end” (Heb. 3:12–15).

