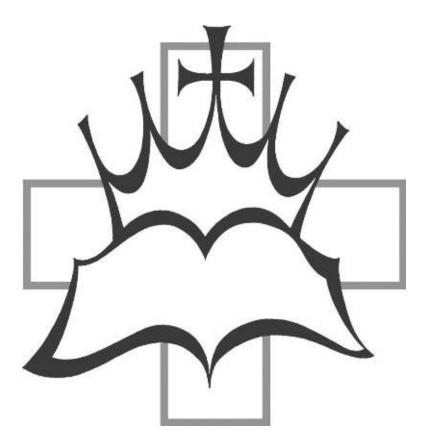
The Lutheran Church of the Savior A Community of Faith: Centered in Christ – Called to Serve



Order of Worship

July 31, 2022 9:00 AM

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Introit

Psalm 49: 1–2, 7–8, 13–14a, 15

Hear this, all peoples! Give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together!
Truly no man can ransom another, or give to God the price of his life, for the ransom of their life is costly and can never suffice.
This is the path of those who have foolish confidence; yet after them people approve of their boasts.
Like sheep they are appointed for Sheol; death shall be their shepherd.
But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me.

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.

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Service, Setting Four

Welcome

Opening Hymn



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- ${f P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **G** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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 +H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.



Service of the Word

Psalm

Chanted responsively



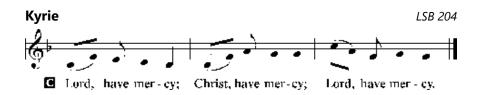
¹Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth!* ²Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with | singing!

³Know that the LORD, | he is God!* It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his | pasture.

⁴Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his | courts with praise!* Give thanks to him; | bless his name!

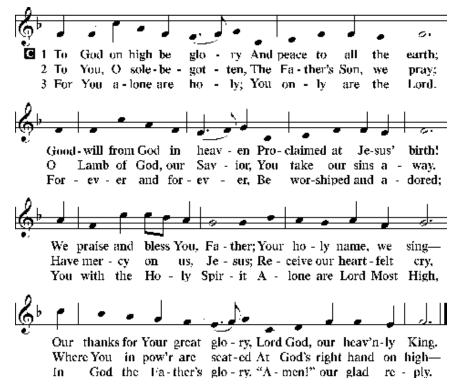
⁵For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures for- | ever,* and his faithfulness to all gener- | ations.

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.





Gloria in Excelsis



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

²Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity....

¹²I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind....

¹⁸I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²²What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



THANKS BE TO GO

Epistle

¹If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

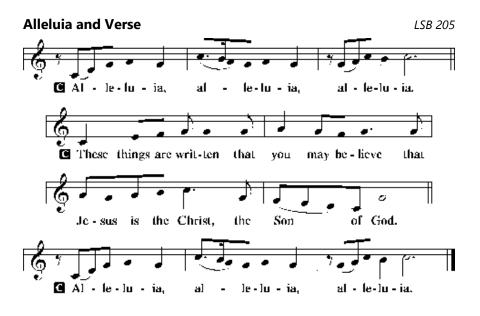
⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.





Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

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

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹³Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus], "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' ²⁰But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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.



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Sermon

A Life Worth Living

Week 3 of 3

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"Time for a Check Up"

Colossians 3:1–17



Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Response after each petition

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Answer all doubt and fear, O Lord, with confidence in Your Word and Sacraments, that by these Means of Grace we may be kept in holiness and guarded from temptation and despair until the day when You bring all things to their perfect fulfillment and we are delivered to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

LSB 209

- **O**ur 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.



Praise to You and Adoration

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The Letter to the Colossians: "A Life Worth Living"

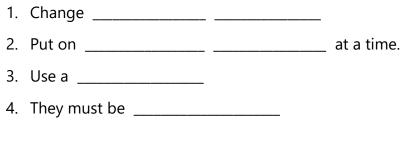
Chapter 1 – Doctrine - A Life Worth Living
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Chapter 3 – Duty - A Life Worth Living

TO CHANGE MY MIND I WILL...

1	 that it's warfare.
2	 what I allow into my mind.
3	 God's gift.

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved...

TRUTHS ABOUT CLOTHES:



FULLY DRESSED WE LIVE TO GOD'S GLORY...

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Resources for Meditation this Week

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

31 July 2022

Readings

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26 Colossians 3:1–11 Luke 12:13–21

Faith in Christ Is Rich Toward God

To live for earthly things *"is vanity and a striving after wind,"* and work that is driven by such vanity *"is an unhappy business"* (Eccl. 1:13–14). The man who lives like that has nothing to show for *"all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun ... all his days are full of sorrow"* (Eccl. 2:22–23). So, too, your *"covetousness, which is idolatry"* (Col. 3:5), makes a god out of that which cannot give you life or happiness. For *"one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions"* (Luke 12:15). But *"Christ who is your life"* (Col. 3:4), in giving you Himself, gives you all the wealth of heaven. Instead of striving to lay up treasures for yourself, be *"rich toward God"* in Him (Luke 12:21).



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Readings

Genesis 15:1–6 Hebrews 11:1–16 Luke 12:22–34 (35–40)

The Lord Is Surely Coming to Give You His Kingdom

The Lord Himself was Abraham's shield and great reward. For "the word of the LORD came to him" and sustained the patriarch's faith in the face of death (Gen. 15:4). By divine grace, Abraham "believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness" (Gen. 15:6), on account of the holy Seed, Christ Jesus. To that one old man, the Lord granted "descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore" (Heb. 11:12). The Lord is likewise faithful to you. It is His glad desire "to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). Therefore, "do not be anxious about your life," but instead "seek his kingdom" (Luke 12:22, 31). Set your heart on that treasure. "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning ... for the Son of Man is coming" (Luke 12:35, 40).

