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19th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 8, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Welcome and Call to Worship

- Today we remember our mission. —————→ **We are making God known through word & deed.**
- We gather together to ask God’s blessing; —————→ **Blest be the tie that binds us together.**
- We gather together to lift high our voices; —————→ **Blest be the song that brings life to our spirits.**
- We gather together to praise God’s holy name; —————→ **Blest be the God of grace and God of glory! Amen!**

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Silence is kept for reflection)

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Song

“Jesus We Love You”

Old things have passed away Your love has stayed the same
Your constant grace remains the cornerstone Things that we thought were dead
Are breathing in life again You cause your Son to shine on darkest nights
For all that You've done we will pour out our love This will be our anthem song

(Chorus) (Jesus) we love You Oh how we love You You are the one our hearts adore

The hopeless have found their hope The orphans now have a home
All that was lost has found its place in You You lift our weary head
You make us strong instead You took these rags and made us beautiful

For all that You've done we will pour out our love This will be our anthem song (Chorus x2)

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Companion Synod Video

Special Music

“My Song Is Love Unknown” John D. Edwards, Arranged by: Cathy Moglebust

Cymbell Duet Annette Gugel & Beverly Splinter

First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it will be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it. For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 80:7-15

Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved. You have brought a vine out of Egypt; you cast out the nations and planted it. You cleared the ground for it; it took root and filled the land. The mountains were covered by its shadow and the towering cedar trees by its boughs. You stretched out its tendrils to the sea and its branches to the river. Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes? The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it. Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; preserve what your right hand has planted.

Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

“Agnus Dei”

Alleluia alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia alleluia For the Lord God Almighty reigns Alleluia

(Chorus) Holy holy Are You Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb

You are holy holy Are You Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb Amen

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:33-46

“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

#773

Precious Lord take my hand lead me on let me stand I am tired I am weak I am worn
Through the storm through the night lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near
when my life is almost gone hear my cry hear my call hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

When the darkness appears and the night draws near and the day is past and gone
at the river I stand guide my feet hold my hand
Take my hand precious Lord lead me home

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Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Amelia Ann Gorrell

Daughter of Tyler & Alison Gorrell

Sponsors: Niketa Kusler & Alex Hartman

Prayer Song

“Lord I Need You”

Lord I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest And without You I fall apart
You’re the one that guides my heart Lord I need You Oh I need You
Ev’ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill: *Jessica Fischer, Ashlea West, Alberta Frerichs, Doug Schimmel,
Joan Zarro, Avery West, Tammy Stoltenburg
Kevin Stark, brother of Carol (Ron) Bergan*

Baptism: *Amelia Ann Gorrell*

Prayer Song

“Lord I Need You”

Lord I need You Oh I need You Ev’ry hour I need You My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

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Offering

Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew
Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month:
Cameroon Partner Ministry



Special Offering

To provide Bibles in the Shona and Ndebele
languages for people in Zimbabwe
Ndebele Bible costs \$15 each & Shona Bible costs \$20 each

Offertory Response

“Create In Me A Clean Heart”

#185

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 to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me

Offering Prayer

What do you expect of us, O God, but love-

Love that you have first shown us.

Accept these signs of our love-

The fruit of your own planting.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Announcements

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Song

“How Great Is Our God”

The splendor of the King Clothed in majesty Let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide and trembles at His voice and trembles at His voice

(Chorus) How great is our God Sing with me

How great is our God And all will see how great How great is our God

And age to age He stands And time is in His hands Beginning and the End Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son The Lion and the Lamb The Lion and the Lamb (Chorus)

Name above all names Worthy of all praise My heart will sing How great is our God

Name above all names Worthy of all praise My heart will sing How great is our God (Chorus)

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Call to Service

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

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Serving This Morning

Preaching: Pastor Overbo; **Sound & Projection:** Roger Whittle, Pete Juba, Addison Kruse;

Lector: Conner Dahl; **Acolyte:** Beau Hopper & Avery Kruse; **Ushers:** Hugh Bartels & Kevin Luoma;

Coffee Servers: Kevin & Bernie Luoma; **Welcome Center:** Pam Luckhurst;

*Flowers on the altar are given by the LCOOR staff
in celebration of Pastor Sam Hatlestad's 90th Birthday*

*Notice: This worship service is livestreamed and shared on YouTube & LCOOR's Facebook page.



God uses money as a tool
to help us grow.

“Take care! Be on your
guard against all kinds of
greed; for one’s life does not
consist in the abundance of
possessions”.

Luke 12:15

OCTOBER 8, 2023

HYMN OF THE WEEK

God of the Sparrow

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- How can correcting someone's mistakes in thoughts and actions be an act of love?
- What does it mean to you to live out the fruits of the kingdom?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Matthew 21:33-46.

Jesus continues his debate with religious leaders in the Jerusalem temple. He addresses chief priests, elders, Pharisees, Sadducees, and scribes. These leaders represent the religious life and the institutions of Judaism, a community of faith with very diverse views. Their commonality is that they all misrepresent the kingdom of God. Instead of "bearing the fruits of the kingdom," they display a power and influence that does not work for God. For Jesus the fruits of the kingdom are identified in his first public message, the Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:1-12). That message speaks of humility, meekness, a desire for God's righteousness, mercy, purity, peacemaking, and more. It's a message in opposition to the religious leaders of his day, that is, the wicked tenants of the parable that steal, covet, and murder to possess what is not theirs. The good news is that Jesus' parable names the coming of the son, the Son of God who bears the very fruits announced by Jesus.

Discuss: What would upset Jesus in today's religious life?

Pray: **God of power and might, cleanse us of all that does not bear the fruits of your kingdom that our lives may be a witness to your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, how might you serve others with compassion for those in need?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

In Psalm 80, Isaiah 5, and Matthew 21, the image of a vineyard and vines are used to describe God's people planted by God to produce the fruit of faith and justice. Use a potted plant or draw a picture of a plant with vines. Make a sign to place in the plant or write on the paper: "God's vineyard is full of faith, justice, love, and mercy." Place the plant or drawing in a visible place and when you pass by it each time, give thanks to God for the fruits of the kingdom.

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to:

www.milestonesministry.org



THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS

NO SANDWICH MINISTRY

October 8 & 9, 2023

Sandwich Ministry will resume Wednesday, October 11, 2023.



"Say Cheese!"



STOP BY OUR "PHOTO STUDIO" IN THE GATHERING SPACE TO UPDATE YOUR PHOTO FOR OUR ONLINE DIRECTORY!

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

New Member orientation is Wednesday, October 25 at 5:15 p.m.

If you are interested in attending please contact Twila in the church office at (605) 886-2696.
New Members will be recognized during worship services on October 25, 28, & 29th.

OCTOBER CIRCLES & BIBLE STUDY

- Martha Circle will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9, in the Gathering Space.
- Priscilla Circle will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 11, in the Gathering Space

OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

Cameroon Partner Ministry
Mission of the Month dollars are above and beyond your regular giving. Please clearly mark your offering with Mission of the Month. Thank you!



Salvation Army
Canned Soup

The Salvation Army needs canned soups. Please consider picking up a couple extra items while you are out shopping to help feed our neighbors who are in need.



Mission and Endowment Grant Applications

The Mission and Endowment Committee of Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer is inviting groups from LCOOR to apply for a grant for special ministry projects. Application forms can be picked up in the church office.
Deadline is Tuesday, October 31, 2023.



Funeral Helpers Needed

We still need a few more individuals to be a part of our funeral service team.

For more information contact Pastor Laura or Twila at (605) 886-2696

Altar Flower Sign Up

Opportunity to help beautify our Sanctuary with flowers. Please consider choosing a weekend to provide altar flowers in celebration or memory of a loved one. Sign up is at the Welcome Center.

Cost is \$60



COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at the Welcome Center or church office.

You can also bake your own cookies and drop them off at the church. Thank you!



Sunday October 8

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
 8:30 a.m. Church School
 8:30 a.m. Teaching: 3rd Grade Bibles
 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship
 6:00 p.m. HS Youth Group

Monday October 9

2:00 p.m. Martha Circle
 6:00 p.m. Rt. 56 Youth Group
 6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday October 10

11:00 a.m. Text Study
 11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Executive Committee
 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Wednesday October 11

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
 9:30 a.m. Priscilla Circle
 11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
 12:15 p.m. Men's Lunch
 4:45 p.m. Community Meal- BBQ
 5:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
 5:30 p.m. Church School
 5:30 p.m. Kindergarten Milestone: What's Fair
 6:30 p.m. Worship
 7:15 p.m. 7th/8th Grade Confirmation
 7:15 p.m. HS Hang-out in Youth Room
 7:30 p.m. Praise & Rejoice Choir Rehearsal

Thursday October 12

11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
 1:00 p.m. Chair Yoga
 5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

Friday, October 13

Church Office Closes at Noon
 8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
 11:00 a.m. Meals on Wheels Delivery
 5:30 p.m. Wedding (Tim Riddle & Anita Richter)

Saturday October 14

Stewardship Moment
 5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship (Lay Led)

Sunday October 15

Stewardship Moment
 8:30 a.m. Church School
 8:30 a.m. Kindergarten Milestone- What's Fair
 8:30 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry
 8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship w/ Holy Communion
 6:00 p.m. HS Youth Group

Attendance & Offering

September 24 Live Stream- 80
 Saturday, September 30- 114
 Sunday, October 1- 279
 Wednesday, October 4- 159
Offering (10/1):
 General Fund: \$5,384.75;
 Church School: \$8.66;
 Debt Reduction: \$80; Other: \$155
 Mission of the Month: \$68.99;
Simply Giving Offering (9/25-9/29):
 General Fund: \$4,619.18;
 Debt Reduction: \$80; Other: \$210;
 Mission of the Month: \$30;

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**OCTOBER 8, 2023
 NINETEENTH SUNDAY
 AFTER PENTECOST**

God's love leads us to bear the fruits of the kingdom.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Matthew 21:33-46	Parable of the vineyard tenants
Monday	Isaiah 5:1-7	A song about a vineyard
Tuesday	Philippians 3:4b-14	To know Christ
Wednesday	Psalms 19	The wonders of God
Thursday	Haggai 2:10-19	A rebuke and a promise
Friday	John 15:1-17	Jesus the true vine
Saturday	Psalms 80:7-15	Prayer for Israel's deliverance
Sunday	Matthew 22:1-14	Parable of the wedding feast

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom."

Matthew 22:1-14 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, may your passion for justice and mercy lead us to display your compassion for others for the sake of your Son, our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, may the fruit of the earth that we enjoy in this meal give us strength to care for others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May you know Christ's love and the power of his resurrection to love others. (Philippians 3:10)

