



Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer

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7th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 7, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

“This Is My Father’s World” (arr. Parks & Smith)

Welcome

Inspired by the abundant hospitality of Jesus Christ, Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer welcomes all of God’s children into the life of the church as ‘we make God known through words and deeds’.

Call to Worship

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God’s abundance, let us confess our sin. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God’s mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

“We All Are One in Mission”

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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. **God of the covenant, in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5

¹[A voice] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.² And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.³ He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day.⁴ The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, “Thus says the Lord God.”⁵ Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

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

Psalm

Psalm 123

¹To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

²**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to you, O LORD our God, until you show us your mercy.**

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

⁴**too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, and of the derision of the proud.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows.³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat.⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses.⁶ But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me,⁷ even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated.⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me,⁹ but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

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The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 6th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:1-13

¹ [Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹ but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰ He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹ If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

"A Time to Serve"

Cathy Zubke

Hymn of the Day

"Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak"

#676 vs. 1-3

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

Hospitalized/ill:

*De Ann Fylling- Niece of Deanna & Dan Hickel, Tori Simon, Beth Garnos,
Ric Holmquest- Brother of Jack Holmquest, Dan Schutte, Judi Glembin, Dorothy Nichols,
Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler*

Death:

Justin Radtke- Brother of Jessica (Craig) Kruse, Tonya Urban- Aunt of Angie (Kevin) Storm

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:
Church on the Street & Pueblo de Dios



Offertory Response

“Create In Me a Clean Heart”

#186

Offering Prayer

You have come to your people, O God —————> **your rebellious people.**

You have sent a Prophet... your Son... into our midst. —————> **Accept our thanks, O God.**

Receive our gifts. —————> **And lead us in lives of service.**

You are the Lord forevermore. —————> **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 blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ✠ be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

“God Bless Our Native Lands”

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Call to Service

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Postlude

“God of Our Fathers” (arr. Mansfield)

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Serving

Preaching: Cathy Zubke; **Presiding:** Jan Birkeland; **Organist:** AJ Sherrill;

Sound & Projection: Roger Whittle;

THE WEEKLY WORD - ANNOUNCEMENTS



1ST - 4TH GRADE JUNCTION

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship.

Friends are always welcome!



SUMMER DATES: JULY 15, AUGUST 5

SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS

Cereal

As you go grocery shopping, please consider picking up a couple extras to donate. Drop these items off at LCOOR and we will deliver them to the Salvation Army. Thanks in advance for your generosity!



JULY MISSIONS OF THE MONTH

Church on the Street & Pueblo de Dios

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



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 & drop them off at the church. Thank you!



We Are Hiring!

PRAISE & REJOICE CHOIR DIRECTOR

FOR FULL JOB DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION VISIT WWW.LCOORWATERTOWN.ORG

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

JULY 31, 2024



APPLY NOW!

LCOOR Book Club



In July the LCOOR Book Club will be meeting Thursday, July 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. The book for July is *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.



LET'S GET SOCIAL

DO YOU FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK?

Join our active Facebook community to receive frequent updates on church happenings and good news!

Follow us at facebook.com/lcoor

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

We are collecting school kits in July & August.

Instructions & school bags can be found at the Welcome Center.



5TH & 6TH GRADE ROUTE 56

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship. Friends are always welcome.

SUMMER DATES: JULY 22, AUGUST 12



July 7-14

Print too small? Large print bulletins
are available at *all* worship services.

Sunday July 7

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

Monday July 8

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

Tuesday July 9

11:00 a.m. Text Study

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

Wednesday July 10

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

6:00 p.m. Fishing League

Thursday July 11

5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

6:00 p.m. Tonya Urban Visitation

Friday July 12

Church Office Closes at Noon

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

Saturday July 13

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship

Sunday July 14

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

9:30 a.m. Presentation of Timmerman
Scholarship Recipients

God, thank You
for calling us to freedom
where we live hand in
hand with You. Give me
the ability to be kind to
others who think
differently than me.



Attendance & Offering

June 23 Live Stream- 82

Saturday, June 29- 53

Sunday, June 30 (9:00)- 179

Sunday, June 30 (9:30) - 69

Offering (6/30):

General Fund: \$4,602.48;

Debt Reduction: \$20;

Mission of the Month: \$43.81;

Other: \$532.56;

Simply Giving Offering (6/24-6/28):

General Fund: \$3,851.55;

Debt Reduction: \$105;

Other: \$125;

Mission of the Month: \$30;

Staff

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JULY 7, 2024

HYMN OF THE WEEK

Just a Closer Walk with Thee



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:

- When have you experienced rejection from friends or family?
- How can God use your weaknesses to bring healing and hope to others?

DEVOTIONS



Read: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10.

Christian spirituality is a way of life that is shaped by the gospel. Paul says he could boast about a mystical spirituality, but he refuses (vv. 2-5). Instead, he lifts up his weakness *“for the sake of Christ”* (v. 10). In a world that seeks wisdom, power, and mystical experiences, Paul’s message to the Corinthians and to us is a cautionary note. Christian spirituality for Paul is a life lived for the sake of Christ that is grounded in *“weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities”* (v. 10). Humble experiences open us to a strength, a wisdom, and a transformed life. This is a life very different from one that some in the Corinthian church promoted to show their godliness. In Mark 6 Jesus experiences rejection yet sends his disciples out with power and authority. Today, God’s mercy, grace and healing power may look fragile, yet it is clothed in a gospel strength that changes lives.

Discuss: When have you experienced a difficult moment that was transformed by God’s grace and power?

Pray: **Almighty God, help us to trust in your power that humbles the mighty and lifts up those experiencing insults, hardships, and persecutions for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you help someone who is experiencing a hardship?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS



In Mark 6, Jesus sends out his disciples with very little to sustain their trip. They are to rely on the hospitality of others. The church was built on the humble act of being dependent on the generosity of others. Set out a cup in your home to remind you that God fills your cup (the “daily bread” you need), often through others. Let the cup remind you to be ready to receive the kindness of others as well as to be kind to others. When you set out the cup, pray the Lord’s Prayer.

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

JULY 7, 2024 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's power is made perfect in weakness.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Mark 6:1-13	Jesus sends the twelve
Monday	Ezekiel 2:1-5	The Lord chooses Ezekiel
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Paul's vision
Wednesday	1 Peter 5:6-11	Tending the flock
Thursday	Isaiah 43:1-3	Restoration promised
Friday	Romans 8:26-27	Spirit intercedes for us
Saturday	Psalms 123	A prayer for mercy
Sunday	Mark 6:14-29	The death of John the Baptist

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Therefore I [Paul] am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. 2 Corinthians 12:10 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Gracious God, you who conquer all powers from the cross, guide us to a life of faith, hope, and love for the sake of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this gift of food, and that you show us mercy and kindness each day. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God bless you with a humble heart and faith in Christ.

