

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH - CLASSIC PRAISE WORSHIP
"INSPIRE: WISE MIND" - THE 10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 9, 2020

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

"From All That Dwells Below the Skies" – Lutheran Service Book #816

From all that dwell below the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's Name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord;
Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
Till suns rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All praise to God the Father be,
All praise eternal Son, to Thee.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore:
Alleluia, alleluia!

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father, and of the T Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Let us pray:
P Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 18:1–3, 6

- P I love you, O Lord, my strength.
- C **2The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,**
- P My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
- C **My shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**
- P I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
- C **and I am saved from my enemies.**
- P In my distress I called upon the Lord;
- C **to my God I cried for help.**
- P From his temple he heard my voice,
- C **and my cry to him reached his ears.**
- P I love you, O Lord, my strength.
- C **2The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 1 and 3

- P The Old Testament Reading is from the 1st and 3rd chapter of Proverbs. The proverbs of Solomon son of David, king of Israel: for gaining wisdom and instruction for understanding words of insight; for receiving instruction in prudent behavior, doing what is right and just and fair; for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young—let the wise listen and add to their learning, and let the discerning get guidance—for understanding proverbs and parables, the sayings and riddles of the wise.
- The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding. This is the Word of the Lord.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

- P The New Testament Reading is from the 5th chapter of Ephesians
- P **15**Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, **16**making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. **17**Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. **18**Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, **19**speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, **20**always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- P This is the Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 6:46-49

P The Holy Gospel is from the 6TH Chapter of Luke

P ⁴⁶“Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Hannah Lang

HYMN

“The Law of God is Good and Wise” – Lutheran Service Book #579

The Law of God is good and wise
And sets His will before our eyes,
Shows us the way of righteousness,
And dooms to death when we transgress.

Its light of holiness imparts
The knowledge of our sinful hearts
That we may see our lost estate
And turn from sin before too late.

To those who help in Christ have found
And would in works of love abound
It shows what deeds are His delight
And should be done as good and right.

To Jesus we for refuge flee,
Who from the curse has set us free,
And humbly worship at His throne,
Saved by His grace through faith alone.

MESSAGE

“Inspire: Wise Mind” - 2 Timothy 1:7 - Pastor David McClean

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Each petition offered in prayer concludes with:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

The prayer concludes:

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

APOSTLE'S CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

CONFESSION OF SINFULNESS AND GOD'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

John 1:12; Philippians 1:6

P Our gracious God has promised to hear us for Jesus' sake when we call out for pardon and peace. Let us go to Him, confessing our sins.

A time of silence is observed.

P Heavenly Father,

C we admit that we have often put our own wills ahead of Yours. In our pride we have demanded reasons from You for what has gone wrong in our lives. We have not called out to You in all humility, but have relied on our own righteousness instead of asking You for mercy and grace. We have let the turmoil of the world around us distract us from keeping our lives focused on Your strong Word and the salvation it proclaims. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, forgive us. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, move us to paths in which we may serve You and proclaim Your saving Word to those who do not know Your loving promises.

P Although God's Law condemns us in our fallen condition, with all our sinful thoughts, words, and deeds, He has promised that "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." 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 **T** Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Remember us in Your kingdom, Lord, and teach us to pray:

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.

CLOSING VERSE

P ¹⁵Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise,

C ¹⁶**making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.**

P ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish,

C **but understand what the Lord's will is.**

Ephesians 5:15-17

P Since, then, you have been raised with Christ,

C **set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.**

P ²Set your minds on things above,

- C **not on earthly things.** Colossians 3:1-2.
- P The one who gets wisdom loves life;
- C **the one who cherishes understanding will soon prosper.** Proverbs 19:8
- P Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice
- C **is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.** Matthew 7:24
- P Who is wise and understanding among you?
- C **Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.**
- James 3:13

BENEDICTION

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor **T** and give you His peace.
- C **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG

"Earth and All Stars" – Lutheran Service Book #817

Earth and all stars!
Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Oh, victory! Loud shouting army!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song.

Classrooms and labs!
Loud boiling test tubes!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song.

Knowledge and truth!
Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song.

Children of God,
Dying and rising,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Heaven and earth, Hosts everlasting,
Sing to the Lord a new song!
He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song.