

September 25, 2022

A member congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)



Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. In our service we gather before our almighty God to receive strength through hearing God's holy Word. We also gather to offer him our worship and praise.

MORNING PRAISE

M: O Lord, open my lips.

C: And my mouth shall declare your praise.

M: Hasten to save me, O God.

C: O Lord, come quickly to help me.

M: The Spirit of the Lord fills the earth: Let us worship him!

OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

(taken from Psalm 95)



1. You are a great and a wondrous God, cupping in your hands all the depths of earth. You made the hills and the mountains high, you made the seas and the dry land.

Refrain

2. Come, let us worship and bowing low, kneel before the One who has made us all. You are the God whom we call our own, we are the flock that you shepherd.

Invocation

The name of the Triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshipers of their baptisms.

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ [$\hat{\mathbf{v}}$] and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Confession of Sins

(Romans 7:18-20, Romans 5:19, Luke 18:13,14)

- M: Dear friends, let us approach God with an honest heart and confess our sins to him asking him for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.
- C: O most holy and righteous Lord, I am a sinner whose thoughts, words, and actions testify to the evil that lives in me. Be merciful to me. Take from me the sin that I have inherited and the sins that I have committed, for the sake of your holy, precious blood and innocent suffering and death.
- M: The Savior's work is finished. The price is paid in full. Our Lord says, "Come, let us reason together: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool, for I will forgive your sins and remember your wickedness no more." According to the Lord's command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son [1 and of the Holy Spirit. (Isaiah 1:18, John 20:23)

C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

(Romans 7:24-25)

The forgiveness extended by the pastor to the congregation is that special power and right which Christ gave to his Church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners (See John 20:21-23).

Hymn

"His Mercy is More"

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?

Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum;

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, our sins, they are many h

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more! Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn; Our sins they are many, his mercy is more!

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,
What Father so tender is calling us home!
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor; Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.
Refrain

What riches of kindness he lavished on us; his blood was the payment, his life was the cost, We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford; our sins they are many, his mercy is more.

Refrain (sung three times)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Loving Father, happy indeed are all who trust in you and not in human wisdom or human strength. Grant that casting all our care on you, we may enjoy your gracious favor and sing your praises now and forever; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

Scripture Lesson Amos 6:1-7

Woe to you who are complacent in Zion, and to you who feel secure on Mount Samaria, you notable men of the foremost nation, to whom the people of Israel come! **2** Go to Kalneh and look at it; go from there to great Hamath, and then go down to Gath in Philistia. Are they better off than your two kingdoms? Is their land larger than yours? **3** You put off the day of disaster and bring near a reign of terror. **4** You lie on beds adorned with ivory and lounge on your couches. You dine on choice lambs and fattened calves. **5** You strum away on your harps like David and improvise on musical instruments. **6** You drink wine by the bowlful and use the finest lotions, but you do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph. **7** Therefore you will be among the first to go into exile; your feasting and lounging will end.

PSALM 146A

M: I will praise the LORD all my life;

C: I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

M: Do not put your trust in princes,

C: in human beings, who cannot save.

M: Blessed are those whose help is in the God of Jacob,

C: whose hope is in the LORD their God.

M: He upholds the cause of the oppressed,

C: and gives food to the hungry.

M: The LORD sets prisoners free,

C: The LORD gives sight to the blind,

M: The LORD reigns forever,

C: Your God, O Zion, for all generations.

M: Praise the LORD.

All: 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.

Gospel Lesson Luke 16:19-31

19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. 20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores 21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. 22 "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. 24 So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.' 25 "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. 26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'27 "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, 28 for I have five brothers. Let him warn them. so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' 29 "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.' 30 "'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Hymn of the Day 391

"God Loved the World"

SERMON Galatians 1:1-10

Paul, an apostle—sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead— **2** and all the brothers and sisters with me, To the churches in Galatia:

- **3** Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, **4** who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, **5** to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- **6** I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— **7** which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. **8** But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let them be under God's curse! **9** As we have already

said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let them be under God's curse! **10** Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD - Te Deum The Te Deum Laudamus (We Praise You, O God) has been sung since the 6th century AD (the words date back as early as the 4th century AD). We join our voices to Christians who have gone before us. The words serve as a confession of faith.

The congregation is invited to join in the Refrains and **to respond with "We praise you,"** where noted in **bold**. Please Stand.





You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise.



- 1. With the an gels in heav en,
- 2. Cre a tor of all things, We praise you, we
- 3. O Christ, King of glo ry,



with the cher - u - bim and ser - a-phim,
O Je - sus Christ, the Son of God,
You be - came a man to set us free;

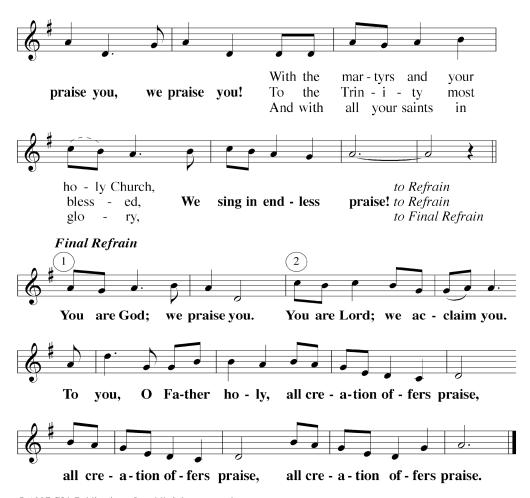
We we have a man to set us free;



praise you, we praise you!

With a - pos - tles and proph - ets, O Spir - it, most ho - ly, You have ris - en to free us;

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OFFERING

Lord, Have Mercy Kyrie

M: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. (Psalm 27:7)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Prayer requests

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.



Closing Hymn

"Lord, Jesus Christ, With Us Abide" I us falls the eventide,

Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide, for round us falls the eventide, Nor let your Word, that heav'nly light, for us be ever veiled in night.

O God, how sin's dread works abound! Throughout the earth no rest is found, And falsehood's spirit wide has spread, and error boldly rears its head.

Oh, keep us in your Word, we pray; the guile and rage of Satan stay! Oh, may your mercy never cease! Give concord patience, courage, peace. The cause is yours, the glory, too, so hear us, Lord, and keep us true. Your Word alone is our defense, the Church's glorious confidence.

Oh, grant that in your Holy Word we here may live and die, dear Lord, And when our journey's ending here, receive us into glory there.

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Schedule

Tuesday Women's devotion 10:00 am Catechism - students session with Pastor 6pm

WED Bible Foundations Class – What's the Bible Got to Say 7:30pm

Topic: Creation

Thursday Christian Funeral - Victory Service - for Helga Clayton 6pm

Next Sunday Bible Hour CLASSES FOR ALL AGES 9AM
Worship 10am

A New Bible Basics Class has just gotten started. It's still a great time to jump in. Wednesday at 7:30pm. This is an opportunity to get the answers for life's biggest questions. You don't have to make a long-term commitment. You can try a lesson or two, and make a decision if you want to keep attending. There are 5 lessons in the first grouping of lessons, entitled: "Knowing the Lord." (If you are a visitor/friend of our church, this is the class that will let you see what our church teaches from the Bible.)

Ongoing Volunteer opportunities:

- Weekly Cleaning sign up sheet is out; if you have questions, you can talk to our contact Susanna (208-794-1489)
- Weekly Mowing & Lawn Care sign up sheet is out; please contact Cody if you have questions or can volunteer to help (360-286-4040).

Welcome to our guests & visitors. We are glad that you are here. Please join us again soon.

We want you to feel welcome and comfortable. Here are a few notes to help with that:

Restrooms are located down the hallway on the right.

Large print worship folders are available. Please speak to an usher.

You can reach us at: Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (WELS) Office: 910-868-1907

Pastor Glende - Cell: 910-868-9663 <u>didymusglende@gmail.com</u>

If you'd like to find out more, or find more devotional resources:

Beautiful Savior: www.welsfayetteville.org Facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorFayetteville

WELS (our national / international church body): www.wels.net

www.whataboutJesus.com