

The Second Sunday After Pentecost

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 and through receiving the Lord's Supper. We also gather to offer him our worship and praise.

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:

Large print worship folders are available. You'll find them at the entryway table. Please ask if we can be of help with this.

Connection cards are also located on the entryway table. We'd love the opportunity to get connected with you in additional ways – either in person or digitally. **You can hand the card to Pastor Glende, or simply place it into the offering box.**

Restrooms are located down the hallway on the right.

And please ask if there are any other questions we can answer for you.

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Please stand

THE INVOCATION

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

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with an honest heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

A quiet moment for reflection

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!

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)

Be Seated

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

HYMN 578

CHIEF OF SINNERS, THOUGH I BE

THE WORD

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty and merciful God, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear his call and follow him by faith that we may feast with him forever in his kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever,

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

EXODUS 3:1-15

Now Moses was shepherding the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, a priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. **2** The Angel of the LORD appeared to him in blazing fire from within a bush. Moses saw that the bush was on fire, but the bush was not burning up. **3** So he said, "I will go over and look at this amazing sight—to find out why the bush is not burning up." **4** When the LORD saw that Moses had gone over to take a look, God called to him from the middle of the bush and said, "Moses! Moses!" Moses said, "I am here." **5** The LORD said, "Do not come any closer. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." **6** He then said, "I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God. **7** The LORD said, "I have certainly seen the misery of my people in Egypt, and I have heard their cry for help because of their slave drivers. Yes, I am aware of their suffering. **8** So I have come down to deliver them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. **9** Now indeed, the Israelites' cry for help has come to me. Yes, I have seen how the Egyptians are oppressing them. **10** Come now, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." **11** But Moses said to God, "Who am I, that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" **12** So he said, "I will certainly be with you. This will be the sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will serve God on this mountain." **13** But Moses said to God, "If I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what should I say to them?" **14** So God replied to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He also said, "You will say this to the Israelites: I AM has sent me to you." **15** God also told Moses, "Say this to the Israelites: 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this is how I am to be remembered from generation to generation.'"

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

PSALM 119

M: Do good to your servant according to your word, LORD.

C: Teach me knowledge and good judgment for I trust your commands.

M: Before I was afflicted, I went astray.

C: But now I obey your word.

M: You are good, and what you do is good;

C: Teach me your decrees.

M: The law from your mouth is more precious to me

C: than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.

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.

NEW TESTAMENT

1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

12 I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. **13** Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. **14** The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. **15** Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. **16** But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. **17** Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

HYMN OF THE DAY 539

O LORD, MY ROCK AND MY REDEEMER

Please stand for the words of our Savior-King

GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 9:9-13

9 As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

10 While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. **11** When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his

disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” **12** On hearing this, Jesus said, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. **13** But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

SERMON

Please Stand

THE NICENE CREED

After hearing God’s Word, we give expression with our lips to the faith which lives in our heart. The confession of faith also serves as a regular review of the teachings of how we are saved.

M: In a world that can only guess it was created somehow and by something, what do you believe?

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

M: In a world that often teaches Jesus was just a great human teacher, a wise prophet or just another way to God, what do you believe?

C: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

M: In a world that still believes salvation is through the good and helpful things we do, what do you believe?

C: For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

M: In a world that loosely holds on to every word that sounds spiritual or religious, what do you believe?

C: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING

Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our gifts, purely out of thanks to him. Our offering goes to support the gospel ministry of our congregation and our church body, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. (There is an opportunity for giving via the offering box at the back of the sanctuary or online.)



PRAYERS

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Sanctus

sung in unison

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9

C: **Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Jesus took the bread and gave thanks (Matthew 26:26)

Believers join with the saints and angels in responsive praise: (Matthew 21:9 and Revelation 4:8)

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

C: **By his incarnation, he became one with us.**

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will for us.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell for us.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven for us.

M: Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Matthew 26:26-28, I Corinthians 11:24, 25

As he speaks the words of Institution, the pastor both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us of Christ's death.

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER -

The Bible teaches that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith.

A note to our visitors: *Out of sincere love for the truth of God's Word and precious souls, we practice close communion. This practice is thoroughly Scriptural. It questions the faith of no individual, yet asks that there be full doctrinal agreement among those who commune. If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Glende after the service.*

HYMN 950

SONG OF SIMEON

Luke 2:29-32 *Through God's Word and Sacrament, we have seen Jesus Christ, and like Simeon we find divine peace and comfort through faith in the Savior.*

THE BLESSING

The blessing of our Triune God is declared to God's people

2 Corinthians 13:14

M: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

CLOSING HYMN 856

BUILT ON THE ROCK

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Schedule

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| TODAY | WELS Connection | following worship |
| TUES | Women's gathering | 9am |
| | NO Bible Information Class | Resume July 7th |
| SAT | NO Men's Gathering / Study | Resume July 11th |
| Next Sunday | Worship | 10am |

Other news & notes

During the upcoming week, please contact one of the church leaders if you need access to the building or if another matter needing attention comes up: Andrew - 808-284-0969, Teddy - 720-985-1894, Reid - 910-929-4602.

Forward in Christ magazine for June is available today. You're invited to take a copy for your family!

Camp Chi Rho 2026 - July 20-24. WHO: Youth **finishing** grades 4,5,6,7 or 8 as of May 1, 2026 are "Campers" **WHO ELSE:** Individuals grades 9 through high school Seniors are "Counselors" **Cost:** Before June 15 - \$239 **More info:** campchirho.org/