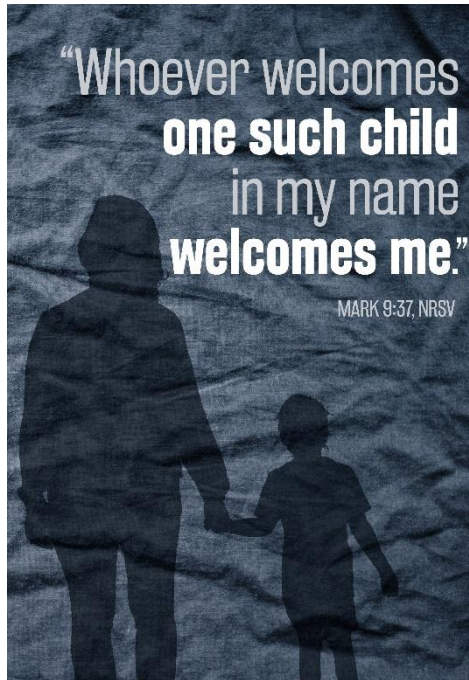


ASCENSION

LUTHERAN CHURCH

18th Sunday After Pentecost



WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience. Be sure to join us again.



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Pre-Service Meditation:

Mark 9:37 ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

Prayer: Lord, through Your grace and mercy, You called us to be Your children. We who were dead in trespasses and sin have been made alive through Your sufferings and death on the cross. May we spread this message of salvation to all others around us that we might receive them in Your holy name. Through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

Service of the Word

Opening Hymn

TLH 12 This Day at Thy Creating Word

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

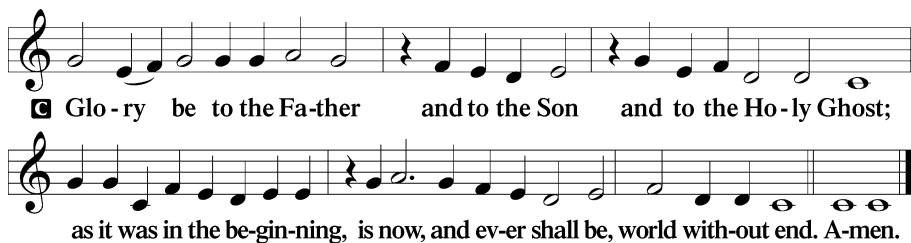
P: Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: **O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Gloria Patri TLH pg 6



Two staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one flat. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men."

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie TLH pg 7



Two staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one flat. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us."

C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Hymn of Response: TLH 237

All Glory be to God on high, Who hath mankind befriended!
To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended.
God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on
earth again; Oh, thank Him for His goodness!

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. . .

. . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Lesson:

Jeremiah 11:18-20

¹⁸The Lord made it known to me and I knew; then you showed me their deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. I did not know it was against me they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name be remembered no more."

²⁰But, O Lord of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the heart

and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 54 [Selected Verses]

- P** O God, save me, by your name,
and vindicate me by your might.
- C** O God, save me, by your name,
and vindicate me by your might.
- P** ³For strangers have risen against me;
ruthless men seek my life;
- C** they do not set God before themselves.
- P** Behold, God is my helper;
the Lord is the upholder of my life.
- C** He will return the evil to my enemies;
in your faithfulness put an end to them.
- P** With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;
I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good.
- C** For he has delivered me from every trouble,
and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

Epistle Lesson:

James 3:13-4:10

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. ¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself

an enemy of God. ⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Confession of Faith:

Apostles Creed

☩ 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 is seated at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

Hymn:

LSB 454 Sing My Tongue the Glorious Battle

Sermon:

Mark 9:30-37

³⁰[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” ³²But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him. ³³And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. ³⁵And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his

arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

Received by the Gospel of the Son

Offertory:

Create in Me 🎵🎵

Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen

Hymn:

LSB 851 Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

Offering of Thankful Hearts

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

- ☐ 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

Benediction

- ☐ Amen

Hymn

WS 785 Children of the Heavenly Father

Silent Prayer

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Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- **Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference:** I will be gone September 30th through October 3rd (Monday through Thursday) for our PC Pastoral Conference in California.
- **Mission Festival:** Our Mission Festival Sunday will be held October 13th at 10am at Redemption. A potluck will follow. Guest Preacher will be Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane, WA.
- **Help Needed:** If anyone is available to help Lance move back into his apartment, we plan on doing so after church on October 6th. Any boxes or vehicles that can help with transport is greatly appreciated.

'Call News:

- Pastor Drew Naumann of Trinity Lutheran in Spokane, WA *is considering the call* to St. Stephen's Lutheran in Mt. View, CA.
- Pastor Timothy Wheaton of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Loveland, CO has announced his retirement effective on September 29th.
- Pastor Timothy Daub of Prince of Peace Lutheran in Hecla, SD *has received* the call to Grace Lutheran in Manchester, MO

Fruits of Faith at Ascension:

DATE	NEEDED	RECEIVED
9/1/2024	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 550.00
9/8/2024	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1125.00
9/15/2024	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1125.00
9/22/2024	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 215.00

Usher Schedule:

Month:

September

October

Name:

Scott Radcliffe

Jim Hansen

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday September 22nd Ascension Sunday Service at 11:30

Sunday September 29th Ascension Sunday Service at 11:30

Sunday October 6th Ascension Sunday Service at 11:30