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**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

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**TODAY'S PRAYERS:** Bruce Bird, Mary-Ann Schwartz, Wally Funk, Jack & Laura Zacharias, Rick Fenske, Julian Woligroski, Del Jones, Kimberley Nachtigall, Kevin Patrick, Dale Jones, Duane LaCoste, Rev. Alvin & Jean Borchardt, Shoranne Cuddeford, Richard Biletski, Dianne McLeod, Irene Henschel and Norbert Christmann.  
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**The Order of Service:** Divine Service Setting Four,

LSB 203

**Opening Hymn:** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

**LSB 575**

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
No merit of my own I claim  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name. Refrain
- ref On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.
- 2 When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In ev'ry high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil. Refrain
- 3 His oath, His covenant and blood  
Support me in the raging flood;  
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay. Refrain
- 4 When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found,  
Clothed in His righteousness alone,  
Redeemed to stand before His throne! Refrain

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,

**C** **Who made heaven and earth.**

**P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C** **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen.**

**Introit**

O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house

**and the place where Your glory dwells.**

Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,

**and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.**

Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

**test my heart and my mind.**

I wash my hands in innocence and go around Your Altar, O LORD,

**proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all Your wondrous deeds.**

**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.**

O LORD, I love the habitation of Your house

**and the place where Your glory dwells.**

**Kyrie**

LSB 204

**☩ Lord, have mercy;  
Christ, have mercy;  
Lord, have mercy.**

**Hymn of Praise:** Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204

**☩ 1 To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**2 To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—**

**3 For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**☩** The Lord be with you.

**☩** And also with you.

**The Old Testament Reading**

***Isaiah 29:11–19***

<sup>11</sup>The vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "**Read this,**" he says, "**I cannot, for it is sealed.**" <sup>12</sup>And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "**Read this,**" he says, "**I cannot read.**" <sup>13</sup>And the Lord said: "**Because this people**

**draw near with their mouth and honor Me with their lips, while their hearts are far from Me, and their fear of Me is a commandment taught by men, <sup>14</sup>therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden.”** <sup>15</sup>Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, **“Who sees us? Who knows us?”** <sup>16</sup>You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its Maker, **“He did not make me”**; or the thing formed say of Him Who formed it, **“He has no understanding”**? <sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? <sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear the Words of a Book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. <sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm**

***Psalm 14; antiphon: v. 7a***

<sup>1</sup>The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.

<sup>2</sup>**The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**

<sup>3</sup>They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.

<sup>4</sup>**Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up My people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?**

<sup>5</sup>There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup>**You would shame the plans of the poor, but the LORD is his Refuge.**

<sup>7</sup>Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of His people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.

**The Epistle Lesson**

***Ephesians 5:22–33***

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the Church, His Body, and is Himself its Saviour. <sup>24</sup>Now as the Church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. <sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for Her, <sup>26</sup>that He might sanctify Her, having cleansed Her by the washing of water with the Word, <sup>27</sup>so that He might present the Church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that She might be Holy and without Blemish. <sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the Church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of His Body. <sup>31</sup>**“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”** <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the Church. <sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia and Verse**

LSB 205

**C** **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**C** **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**C** **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## The Holy Gospel

Mark 7:1–13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

### **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>When the Pharisees gathered to [Jesus], with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup>they saw that some of His disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands, holding to the tradition of the elders, <sup>4</sup>and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) <sup>5</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes asked Him, **“Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?”** <sup>6</sup>And He said to them, **“Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me; <sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ <sup>8</sup>You leave the Commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.”** <sup>9</sup>And He said to them, **“You have a fine way of rejecting the Commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! <sup>10</sup>For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ <sup>11</sup>But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban’ (that is, given to God)— <sup>12</sup>then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup>thus making void the Word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”**

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

### **G** Praise to You, O Christ.

#### The Apostles’ Creed

LSB 207

**G** 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.

- 1 Lord, help us ever to retain  
The Catechism's doctrine plain  
As Luther taught the Word of truth  
In simple style to tender youth.
- 2 Help us Your holy Law to learn,  
To mourn our sin and from it turn  
In faith to You and to Your Son  
And Holy Spirit, Three in One.
- 3 Hear us, dear Father, when we pray  
For needed help from day to day  
That as Your children we may live,  
Whom You baptized and so received.
- 4 Lord, when we fall or go astray,  
Absolve and lift us up, we pray;  
And through the Sacrament increase  
Our faith till we depart in peace.

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**Sermon:** God's Command and our Traditions!

**Mark 7:1–13**

**Prayer of the Church**

**Offering:** We Give Thee But Thine Own

**LSB 781**

- 1 We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2 May we Thy bounties thus  
As stewards true receive  
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,  
To Thee our firstfruits give!
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,  
And homes are bare and cold,  
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled  
Are straying from the fold.
- 4 To comfort and to bless,  
To find a balm for woe,  
To tend the lone and fatherless  
Is angels' work below.
- 5 The captive to release,  
To God the lost to bring,  
To teach the way of life and peace,  
It is a Christ-like thing.
- 6 And we believe Thy Word,  
Though dim our faith may be:  
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,  
We do it unto Thee.

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## The Lord's Prayer

**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 Collect

### Benedicamus

LSB 212

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### 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 and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

### Hymn to Depart: Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go

LSB 920

- 1 Forth in the peace of Christ we go;  
Christ to the world with joy we bring;  
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,  
Christ in our hearts, the world's true king.
- 2 King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;  
Kingship with Him His servants gain;  
With Christ the Servant-Lord of all,  
Christ's world we serve to share Christ's reign.
- 3 Priests of the world, Christ sends us forth  
This world of time to consecrate,  
This world of sin by grace to heal,  
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.
- 4 Christ's are our lips, His Word we speak;  
Prophets are we whose deeds proclaim  
Christ's truth in love that we may be  
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.
- 5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show  
That in His Church all nations find  
Their hearth and home where Christ restores  
True peace, true love to all mankind.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**On-Line Recording of Services:** Beginning Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup> we will no longer be providing the pre-recorded Worship Services for viewing on Sunday mornings, However we will be recording the Sunday Morning Worship Service in the Church and it will be posted to our Website late Sunday or Monday. It is time for us to step out in faith, trusting our Gracious and loving God as He promises to watch over guide and protect us in any and every circumstance.

**Bible Study:** Beginning on the Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, Bible Study will resume at 10:00 a.m. I look forward to seeing everyone again that together we shall study God's Word that we may be strengthened in Faith and Trust. We will begin by studying God's Word with the Book of Exodus. Hope to see you there!

### **LWML School Supplies SALE:**

Looking for pencils, crayons, rulers, pencil sharpeners, glue sticks, loose leaf paper and scribblers. Supplies will be donated to Beautiful Savior Lutheran School and the Bear Clan.

**Church Council Meeting:** We will be meeting on Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 p.m. in the Church basement. Masks are required and social distancing.

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