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Pentecost 20



POWERFUL FAITH

*"I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed."
2 Timothy 1:12*

We Welcome Our Visitors who are with us this morning.

We hope that you are uplifted by the Gospel at our worship service.

We invite you to join us every Sunday. Please sign our guestbook in the entry.

If you would like more information about our church, please contact the pastor.

✠ Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 27 (Lutheran Service Book or Pew Bible) ✠

Greeting and prayer: (Pastor)

Opening Hymn: 702 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LSB 702

THE INVOCATION

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

(LSB p. 184; TLH page 15)

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

C Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

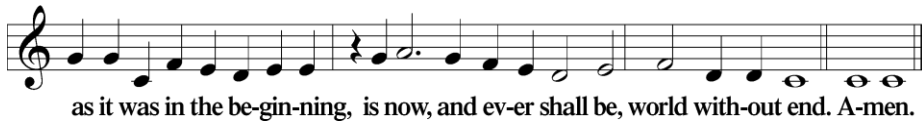
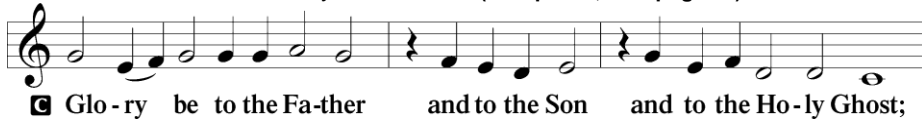
C O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and by the authority and command of our 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.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (LSB p. 186; TLH page 16)



THE SALUTATION *(Greeting)*

- P** The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

- P** We pray:

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never waver. We pray this through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

God speaks to us.

First Reading

Psalm 27 (RESPONSIVE) (ESV)

P The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

C **The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?**

P When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes,

C **it is they who stumble and fall.**

P Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;

C **though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.**

P One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:

C **that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,**

P to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD

C **and to inquire in his temple.**

P For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;

C **he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**

P And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me,

C **and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.**

P Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud;

C **be gracious to me and answer me!**

P You have said, "Seek my face."

C **My heart says to you, "Your face, LORD, do I seek."**

P Hide not your face from me.

C **Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help.**

P Cast me not off; forsake me not,

C **O God of my salvation!**

P For my father and my mother have forsaken me,

C but the LORD will take me in.

P Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

C Give me not up to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence.

P I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

C Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

THE GRADUAL

When God speaks to us in His Word it is natural for us to respond. We sing "Hallelujah!"—meaning "Praise the Lord!" (LSB p. 190; TLH p. 20)

P Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it. Alleluia!



P The Gospel reading is from Luke 17:1-10.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:1-10 (EHV)

Jesus said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ² It would be better for that person if a millstone would be hung around his neck and he would be thrown into the sea than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. ³ Watch yourselves.

"If your brother sins, rebuke him. If he repents, forgive him. ⁴ Even if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times returns to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him."

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

⁶ The Lord said, "If you had faith like a mustard seed, you could tell this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. ⁷ Which one of you who has a servant plowing or taking care of sheep will say to him when he comes in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at the table'? ⁸ Won't the master tell him instead, 'Prepare my supper, and after you are properly dressed, serve me while I eat and drink. After that you may eat and drink'? ⁹ He does not thank the servant because he did what he was commanded to do, does he? ¹⁰ So also you, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants. We have only done what we were supposed to do.'"

P Here ends our Gospel reading.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE NICENE CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (LSB p. 191; TLH p. 22)

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: "Christ is With Me"

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1 We were bur - ied with him in - to death, that as he was raised
2 I have now been graft - ed to the vine, draw - ing life from roots
3 I have now been cru - ci - fied with Christ, I no long - er live,



by God's glo - ry, we might walk in life made new by grace;
rich in mer - cy, bear - ing fruit as I a - bide in him,
Christ lives in me; now I live by faith in God's own Son—



hav - ing died with Christ, we shall live with him.
fruit for - ev - er fresh, glo - ri - fy - ing God.
one who loved me so, gave him - self for me.

Refrain



Christ is with me ev - 'ry - where I go;



Christ is with me ev - 'ry - where I go;



nev - er to leave me, this I know.



nev - er to leave me, this I know.

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Sermon Text: 2 Timothy 1:7-14 (NKJV)

⁷ For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. ⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God, ⁹ who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began, ¹⁰ but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹ to which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles. ¹² For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. ¹³ Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ That good thing which was committed to you, keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.

Sermon Theme: Powerful Faith!

1. It Serves!

✝ Why is it amazing—and downright miraculous—that our faith **serves**?

2. It Saves!

✝ Verse 9 of our text is pure Gospel (“Good News”) and a wonderful reminder of God’s grace (“undeserved love”)!

Who was responsible for our eternal salvation? **(v. 9a)**

When did He do it? **(v. 9b)**

THE OFFERTORY

(LSB p. 192-193; TLH p. 22-23)



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him.

THE GENERAL PRAYER

(Pastor)

Sermon Hymn: 587 I Know My Faith is Founded

LSB 587

THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE

*Now we approach the Sacrament, the Lord's Supper, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood.
We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration. (LSB p. 194; TLH p. 24-25)*

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly fitting, right, and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. We praise You especially for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, the true Passover Lamb, who by His sacrifice took away the sins of the world and by His resurrection restored everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

THE SANCTUS

Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" round about His throne and we welcome Him with the Palm Sunday multitude who sang, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!" (LSB p. 195; TLH p. 26)



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(Pastor)

The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time.

PAX DOMINI

Latin: "The Peace of the Lord." (LSB p. 197; TLH p. 28)

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always!



C A - men.

THE AGNUS DEI

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to think only of that Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross. (LSB p. 198; TLH p. 27)

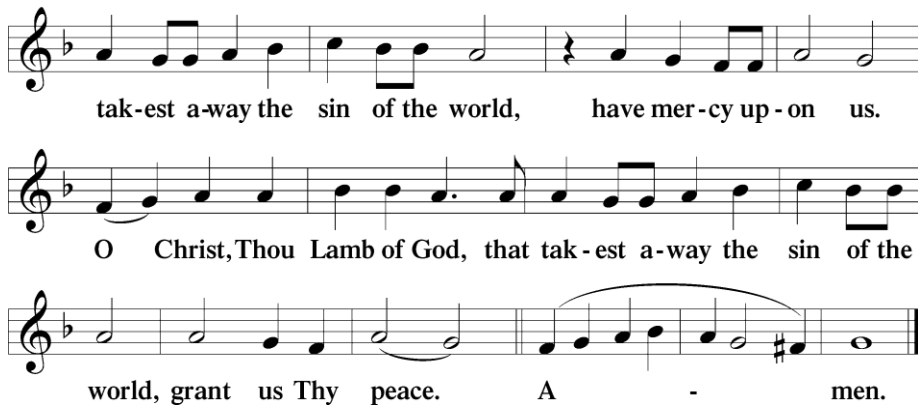


C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

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THE DISTRIBUTION

✠ For the distribution we will start with those who would like to partake of the Lord's Supper from the pew. After that, those who would like to come up to the altar steps will partake as directed by our usher.

Note to our Guests: We are so glad you are worshiping with us today! The Word of God treats the Lord's Supper with great care. The Word of God considers the Lord's Supper to be a wonderful Means of Grace – a way in which Christ forgives and blesses. It is also considered an opportunity for congregations to express unity and oneness (1 Corinthians 10:16-17) – that is, to say to the world, "This is what we believe!" But God's Word also warns against taking the Sacrament to our judgment (1 Corinthians 11:27-30). For these reasons our congregation asks that you fully understand our teachings before partaking. We respectfully ask that those who have joined this congregation through public confession of faith, or who are members of another congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC) approach the altar at the usher's direction. Speak to our pastor anytime and he will be glad to provide the information you would need – and want. We look forward to communing together, Lord willing, in the future.

Communion Hymns: 637 LSB; 631 LSB; 396 TLH (tune of LSB 524) (see below)

"Oh, for A Faith That Will Not Shrink" TLH 396 (tune LSB 524)

***1 Oh, for a faith that will not shrink, Tho' pressed by many a foe;
That will not tremble on the brink Of poverty or woe;***

***2 That will not murmur nor complain Beneath the chast'ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain Can lean upon its God;***

***3 A faith that shines more bright and clear When tempests rage without;
That, when in danger, knows no fear, In darkness feels no doubt;***

**4 That bears unmoved the world's dread frown, Nor heeds its scornful smile;
That sin's wild ocean cannot drown Nor Satan's arts beguile;**

**5 A faith that keeps the narrow way Till life's last spark is fled
And with a pure and heavenly ray Lights up the dying bed.**

**6 Lord, give us such a faith as this; And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en here the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.**

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THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)
(LSB p. 199-200; TLH p. 29)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of His people (Numbers 6:24-26). (LSB p. 202; TLH p. 31)

[P] The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



Closing Hymn: 575 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less *(please stand for last verse)*

Announcements



Welcome! We welcome all our visitors this morning.

Please sign our guest book and come worship with us again soon.

Today:
11/2/25

Choir – 8am

Worship w/ Communion – 9am

Sunday School & Bible Class – 10:15am

This Week:

Tuesday – **Board of Education Meeting – 5:30pm**

Wednesday - **Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30pm** (Zoom & In-Person)

Church Cleaning: Team #2 (11/1-11/7); Team #3 (11/8-11/14)

Next Sunday:
11/9/24

Choir – 8am

Worship – 9am

Guest Preaching: Joel Bernthal, Pre-Theology Student, Immanuel Lutheran College

Sunday School & Bible Class – 10:15am

Sunday School Teachers Meeting – 11:15am

Wednesday Evening Bible Study @ 6:30pm – Please make plans to join us either in-person or online via Zoom for our Wed. Evening Bible Class at 6:30pm. We are studying selected Psalms.

To join online please click on Pastor Luke's Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8729663333>



Fall Leaf Raking Day – Saturday, November 15th @ 9am – Please bring rakes, blowers, and gloves and join us as we rake up the fall leaves on the church property.



Birth and Baptism Announcement – This past Monday, October 27th, Olivia and Ryan Docter were blessed with the birth of a baby girl, Charlotte Nancy. We also rejoice to announce that Charlotte was born again of water and the Spirit in the Sacrament of Baptism at a private ceremony at the Docter's home on Friday, October 31st. We praise and thank the Lord for the birth and rebirth of baby Charlotte!

Guest Preacher Next Sunday, November 9th – Joel Bernthal - At our Pastoral Conference this past summer we were encouraged to do what we can as pastors to encourage the young men in our congregations to enter the pastoral ministry. Messiah, Eau Claire Pastor Neal Radichel has been very actively doing what he can to give some of the Pre-Theology students and seminary student some "hands on" pastoral experiences and training in the Messiah congregation. A few weeks ago, Joel Bernthal, a Pre-Theology student who is training for the pastoral ministry at Immanuel Lutheran College, preached the sermon at their weekend worship services. Joel is Pastor Luke and Jewels' nephew and will be visiting them next weekend. The Elders and pastor have invited him to preach his sermon for us at our worship service next Sunday (11/9). Joel will be preaching the sermon and Pastor Luke will be conducting the liturgy and teaching Bible Class. We pray for the Lord to continue to bless Joel's studies and training, and we pray that the Lord of the church would continue to raise up young men for the pastoral ministry!

CLC Call News - Mrs. Dawn Mayhew has asked for a **peaceful release** from her call as teacher at Redeemer Ev. Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year. <> Pastor Emeritus Paul Tiefel, Jr. has **returned** the vacancy call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA. <> Pastor David Pfeiffer of Holy Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, West Columbia, SC, has **returned** the call to Living Hope Lutheran Church, Appleton, WI. <> Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, Phoenix, AZ, has **received** the call to Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church, Middleton, WI. <> Professor Mark Weis has **returned** the part-time call to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church, Red Wing, MN. <> Pastor Matthew Ude of Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI, has **received** the call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rapid City, SD, has **received** the call to Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Spokane, WA.

INAUGURAL SERVICE A mission group in Des Moines, Iowa, will be hosting its inaugural service on Sunday, November 9, at 10:30 am. For more information, contact Pastor Paul Krause.

Advent Women's Event at Faith, Markesan – December 7th @ 3pm - Faith Lutheran of Markesan, WI will be hosting Advent by Candlelight for all women in the congregation, family, and friends, on Sunday, December 7th starting at 3pm at Faith Lutheran in Markesan. Please join us for this wonderful afternoon of Word, music, and fellowship. Please RSVP at the link below. Any questions, please reach out to Jessica Krueger at cottej88@gmail.com or 920-369-8113.
<https://markesanlutheran.com/events/candlelight/>

Bible Readings:

11/2	Job 36:1-26 Psalm 117 Luke 19:28-44
11/3	Job 36:27-37:24 Psalm 118 Luke 19:45-20:8
11/4	Job 38:1-30 Psalm 119:1-8 Luke 20:8-26
11/5	Job 38:31-39:18 Psalm 119:9-16 Luke 20:27-40
11/6	Job 39:19-40:24 Psalm 119:17-24 Luke 20:41-21:9
11/7	Job 41 Psalm 119:25-32 Luke 21:10-24
11/8	Job 42 Psalm 119:33-40 Luke 21:25-38



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November Ushers

Jared Barthels Armando Hart Nick Blue
November Slideshow Jim Lisak

**Cleaning Team
11/8-11/14**

<u>Team 3</u> T/M Blue C. Blue N. Blue A/J Brown F/S Goodrie

Fruits of Faith	Last Week:	To Date:
Budgetary Offerings:	\$7,226.25	\$133,531.32
Budgetary Needs:	\$8,642.65	\$146,925.05
Over (Under) Budget:	(\$1,416.40)	(\$13,393.73)
Sunday School:	\$0.35	\$12.25
Missions:	\$30.00	\$1,105.00
MDF:	\$30.00	\$465.00
Kinship:	\$100.00	\$596.56
ILC Building Fund:	\$50.00	\$679.99
ILCSAF:	\$100.00	\$500.00
MSAF:	\$25.00	\$275.00

Attendance Last Sunday (10/26): 127

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