

FOR WE BROUGHT NOTHING INTO THE  
WORLD, AND WE CANNOT TAKE  
ANYTHING OUT OF THE WORLD. BUT  
IF WE HAVE FOOD AND  
CLOTHING, WITH  
THESE WE WILL  
BE CONTENT.

1 TIMOTHY 6:7-8, ESV

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## As We Gather

Rather than being content with what we have, we by nature covet the things we do not have. Those who covet often see money as a wonderful solution to all of life's problems. But those who love money are in grave danger; they risk losing their faith in Christ. Our Savior has blessed us with the riches of His priceless salvation. Nothing can separate us from His love. As He tenderly cares for us through His Word of promise, we are able to enjoy lives of godliness with contentment. All that we can take with us when we leave this world is the life and immortality that Jesus has given us through faith – and that is more than enough!

*[Today's hymns are printed on pages 9-12 of the bulletin.]*

### ✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

**Hymn** TLH 44 – Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise

### Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

### Confession and Absolution

- P** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.
- C** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
- C** Amen.

# ✠ The Service of the Word ✠

## Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

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

## Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis

Glo - ry to God, we give you thanks and praise; Of  
Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You  
A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord, At  
heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor - ship  
bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of  
God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high: Who, with the  
You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al -  
God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our  
Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored, With all the  
might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

## Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P** Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

<sup>1</sup> Now when the people saw that Moses delayed coming down from the mountain, the people gathered together to Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make us gods that shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him."<sup>2</sup> And Aaron said to them, "Break off the golden earrings which are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me."<sup>3</sup> So all the people broke off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them to Aaron.<sup>4</sup> And he received the gold from their hand, and he fashioned it with an engraving tool, and made a molded calf. Then they said, "This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!"<sup>5</sup> So when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow is a feast to the LORD."<sup>6</sup> Then they rose early on the next day, offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.<sup>7</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "Go, get down! For your people whom you brought out of the land of Egypt have corrupted themselves.<sup>8</sup> They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them. They have made themselves a molded calf, and worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!'"<sup>9</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and indeed it is a stiff-necked people!<sup>10</sup> Now therefore, let Me alone, that My wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them. And I will make of you a great nation."<sup>11</sup> Then Moses pleaded with the LORD his God, and said: "LORD, why does Your wrath burn hot against Your people whom You have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand?<sup>12</sup> Why should the Egyptians speak, and say, 'He brought them out to harm them, to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from Your fierce wrath, and relent from this harm to Your people.<sup>13</sup> Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Your servants, to whom You swore by Your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven; and all this land that I have spoken of I give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'"<sup>14</sup> So the LORD relented from the harm which He said He would do to His people.

## Psalm of the Day

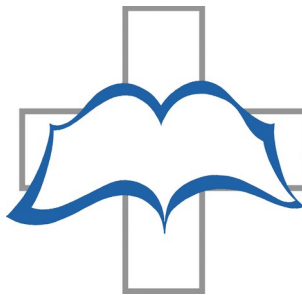
Psalm 128

- P** Blessed is every one who fears the LORD,  
**C** **Who walks in His ways.**  
**P** When you eat the labor of your hands,  
**C** **You shall be happy, and it shall be well with you.**  
**P** Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine  
**C** **In the very heart of your house,**  
**P** Your children like olive plants  
**C** **All around your table.**  
**P** Behold, thus shall the man be blessed  
**C** **Who fears the LORD.**  
**P** The LORD bless you out of Zion,  
**C** **And may you see the good of Jerusalem All the days of your life.**  
**P** Yes, may you see your children's children.  
**C** **Peace be upon Israel!**

## Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44

<sup>38</sup> Then He said to them in His teaching, "Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, love greetings in the marketplaces, <sup>39</sup> the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts, <sup>40</sup> who devour widows' houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation." <sup>41</sup> Now Jesus sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. And many who were rich put in much. <sup>42</sup> Then one poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make a quadrans. <sup>43</sup> So He called His disciples to Himself and said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; <sup>44</sup> for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood."



## Alleluia

**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are  
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the  
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

## Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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

WS 788 – Lord, You Love the Cheerful Giver

## Sermon Text

1 Timothy 6:3-10

<sup>3</sup> If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness, <sup>4</sup> he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, <sup>5</sup> useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself. <sup>6</sup> Now godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. <sup>8</sup> And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. <sup>9</sup> But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which

drown men in destruction and perdition. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.



*Sermon*

## Want to Get Ahead? Couple Godliness with Contentment

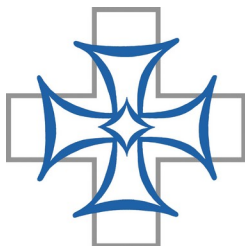
- I. When it comes to the words of our Lord Jesus Christ
- II. When it comes to material blessings

### Offertory

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 Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly  
Spir-it from me. Restore to me the joy of Your sal -  
va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

### Hymn

WS 789 – Consider How the Birds Above



Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee  
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;  
With the sunshine of Thy goodness  
Melt our thankless hearts of stone  
Till our cold and selfish natures,  
Warmed by Thee, at length believe  
That more happy and more blessed  
'Tis to give than to receive.

## General Prayer

### 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.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn

TLH 283 – God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

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# TLH 44 – Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise

Ps. 100

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Ulrik V. Koren, 1874

Tr., Harriet R. Spaeth, 1899, alt.

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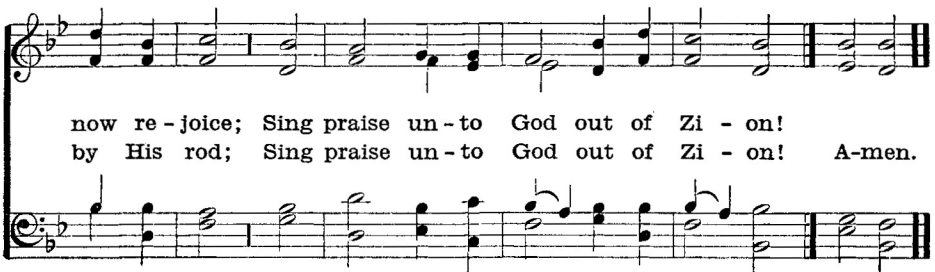
Erik Hoff, c. 1860



1 Ye lands, to the Lord make a ju - bi - lant noise;  
2 Not we, but the Lord is our Mak - er, our God;



Glo - ry be to God! Oh, serve Him with joy, in His pres-ence  
Glo - ry be to God! His peo - ple we are, and the sheep led



now re - joyce; Sing praise un - to God out of Zi - on!  
by His rod; Sing praise un - to God out of Zi - on! A - men.

3 Oh, enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise;  
Glory be to God!  
To bless Him and thank Him our voices we will raise;  
Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

4 For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure;  
Glory be to God!  
To all generations His truth shall still endure;  
Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

# WS 788 – Lord, You Love the Cheerful Giver

1 Lord, You love the cheer - ful giv - er Who with o - pen  
 2 We are Yours—Your mer - cy sought us, Found us in death's  
 3 Blessed by You with gifts and gra - ces, May we heed Your

heart and hand Bless - es free - ly, as a riv - er That re -  
 dread - ful way, To the fold in safe - ty brought us, Nev - er -  
 Spir - it's call, Glad - ly in all times and pla - ces Give to

fresh - es all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giv - ing  
 more from You to stray. Your own life was free - ly giv - en  
 You who gives us all. You have bought us; now no long - er

With a spir - it large and true That our life and  
 As an of - f'ring on the cross For each sin - ner,  
 Can we claim to be our own; Ev - er free and

all our liv - ing We may con - se - crate to You.  
 now for - giv - en From e - ter - nal shame and loss.  
 ev - er strong - er We shall serve You, Lord, a - lone.

## WS 789 – Consider How the Birds Above

1 Con - si - der how the birds a - bove Feed day by  
 2 See how the li - lies do not toil, They grow with  
 3 Set not your heart on food or drink, Nor be weighed  
 4 Be on your guard a - gainst all greed, For life is

day with care - free ease— Does God not keep them  
 fair frag - i - li - ty; If God clothes these which  
 down by world - ly care; A - bout such things the  
 more than what we own. Our Fa - ther knows our

in His love? Are we not worth much more than these?  
 quick - ly spoil, Will He not clothe both you and me?  
 god - less think, Yet ne - ver thank the Lord in prayer.  
 ev - 'ry need Be - fore our needs to us are known.

5 Seek first God's Kingdom and His grace,  
 His holy Name in all you do;  
 Christ first and last in ev'ry place;  
 All else will then be given you.

# TLH 283 – God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

Ps. 16 : 6

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Guds Ord det er vort Arvegods

Nikolai F. S. Grundtvig, 1817

Tr., Ole G. Belsheim, 1909

Reuter

Fritz Reuter, 1916

God's Word is our great her - i - tage And shall be ours for - ev - er;

To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief en-deav - or.

Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.

Lord, grant, while worlds en - dure, We keep its teach - ings pure

Through - out all gen - er - a - tions. A - men.

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## ✝ Announcements ✝

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Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

### Upcoming Schedule – Online Calendar @ [FDLlutheran.com/calendar](http://FDLlutheran.com/calendar)

|                 |          |                                    |
|-----------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| September 18    | 10:00 am | Worship Service                    |
| September 19-20 |          | CLC Board Meetings                 |
| September 21    | 6:30 pm  | Worship Service (Sunday Repeat)    |
| September 22    | 10:00 am | Bible Class                        |
| September 25    | 9:00 am  | Sunday School/Bible Class          |
|                 | 10:00 am | Worship Service (Mission Festival) |
|                 | 11:00 am | Fellowship Meal (Potluck)          |
| September 27    | 6:30 pm  | Elders                             |
| September 28    | 6:30 pm  | Worship Service (Sunday Repeat)    |
| September 29    | 10:00 am | Bible Class                        |
| October 2       | 9:00 am  | Sunday School/Bible Class          |
|                 | 10:00 am | Worship Service w/ Holy Communion  |

**Thank You:** Thank you to Mike Schierenbeck for leading our worship service this morning. Pastor Sauers is preaching for Mission Festival at Messiah Lutheran in Hales Corners, WI.

**Mission Festival:** Our fall mission festival is scheduled for next Sunday. Former Missionary David Koenig will give a presentation during the Bible class hour and will be our guest preacher. A fellowship meal will follow the service.

**Midweek Worship Service:** A repeat of the Sunday worship service will be held on Wednesday night at 6:30 pm. Please spread the word to those you know who are unable to make it to church on Sundays.

**Membership Request:** Wendy Holz wishes to apply for communicant membership at Luther Memorial. Wendy is the sister of Vicki Pilak. She was baptized and confirmed at Luther Memorial. Her family left Luther Memorial when she was in High School and joined an area WELS congregation. She would now like to return to our congregation having expressed her agreement with our teachings. According to section 1 of Luther Memorial’s bylaws, her candidacy for membership is to be announced “on two Sundays before the meeting of the congregation so that any protest on the part of the members may be properly made and lodged with the Pastor or one of the members of the Church Council. If there is no protest, the application shall be received at the next meeting of the congregation.”

**Council Meeting Notes:** The following is a summary of this past Tuesday’s council meeting:

- **Pastor’s Report**
  - Bible classes and Catechism instruction have resumed.
  - Membership classes have begun with Wendy Holz, sister of Vicki Pilak.
  - Pastor is continuing his emphasis on visiting members.
  - Wednesday worship services have begun in order to provide an opportunity for those unable to make it on Sunday to worship.
  - Former Missionary David Koenig will be here for Mission Festival on September 25.
  - Pastor has received the call to Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA.
- **Financial Secretary**
  - August General Fund Offerings: \$7,162.00
  - August Missions Offerings: \$1495.00
  - August Non-Budgetary Offerings: \$1,808.00
  - August General School Offerings: \$45.00
  - August Total Offerings: \$10,510.00
- **Treasurer**
  - August General Budget Expenses: \$12,982.55
  - August General Budget Ending Balance: \$1,145.75
  - August Non-Budgetary Expenses: \$8,143.72
  - August Non-Budgetary Ending Balance: \$85,747.37
  - Debt Owed to Non-Budgetary: \$8,468.00
  - CEF Loan Balance: \$110,129.86
- **Missions:** Mission Committee participated in Fondue Fest
- **School:** The school year has begun with 10 students
- **Buildings and Grounds:** Property needs were discussed (see list in the next announcement).

- **Schedule**

- Next Council Meeting: October 11 @ 6:00 pm
- Next Quarterly Voters' Meeting: October 16 @11:00 am

**Property Needs:** There are several needs currently for our church property. We may need to hire out the work on the trees. In that case, any references would be helpful. If you can help, please contact Tyler Kern at 920-266-9366 or tyler@kernhome.org

1. Branches need to be trimmed away from the roof at the parsonage
2. Dead tree needs to be taken down in yard of 146 teaherage
3. Dead tree needs to be removed by backstop

**CLC Call News:** Pastor Rob Sauers of Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI, is considering the call to Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood, WA. + Pastor Nathanael Mayhew of Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN and Faith Lutheran, New Ulm, MN is considering the call to serve Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL.

| <b>Fruits of Faith – Week of September 11<sup>th</sup></b> |                             | <b>Attendance: Sun – 76 Wed – 0</b>              |                               |
|--|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| <b><u>Luther Memorial Church</u></b>                       |                             | <b><u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u></b>  |                               |
| <b><i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i></b>                 |                             | <b><i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i></b>       |                               |
| \$2,397.00   | LM General Budget           | \$445.00   | CLC General Budget            |
| \$2,923.08   | Weekly Need                 | \$384.62   | Weekly Need                   |
| -\$526.08  | -Under / +Over              | +\$60.38   | -Under / +Over                |
| \$99,184.88  | Year to Date Offerings      | \$3,455.00                                       | Fiscal Year to Date Offerings |
| \$108,153.96   | Year to Date Need           | \$4,230.82                                       | Fiscal Year to Date Need      |
| -\$8,969.08  | Year to Date (+/-)          | -\$775.82  | Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)     |
| <b><i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i></b>           |                             | <b><i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i></b> |                               |
| \$50.00  | LM School                   | \$25.00  | ILC Student Aid Fund          |
|  | LM Student Aid Fund         |  | ILC Building Fund             |
|  | LM Debt Retirement          |  | ILC Improvement Fund          |
| \$20.00  | LM M & I                    | \$25.00  | Mission Development (MDF)     |
| \$20.00  | LM Local Missions/ Outreach | \$35.00  | Project Kinship/Orphanage     |
| \$20.00  | LM Building Fund            |  | Fall Mission Festival         |
| \$20.00  | LM Ladies Orphan Fund       |  | Miscellaneous                 |

