

July 16, 2017

Trinity 6 / Pentecost 7



**"WE PREACH CHRIST CRUCIFIED..."**  
~1 CORINTHIANS 1:23

# LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH & SCHOOL K-8

134 21st Street  
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

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9:00am Divine Worship Service (Summer Schedule)

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Pastor Neal Radichel ♦ Principal David Bernthal ♦ Teacher Jennifer Wiese

Altar cloths are white; symbolizing for us the glory of God revealed in the humanity of Jesus.  
Welcome to all! This week's focus:

**"And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."**

Acts 9:5

Today's Divine Service Liturgy (how God serves us): **Tan Supplement p22**

**609:1 ♦ 776 ♦ 403 ♦ 609:3**

Pre-service Psalm 54 (Red Hymnal pg.135) ~ Opening Bells / Prayer

***Our worship service centers and glorifies our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please turn off your cell phones to avoid distraction.***

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

### I. WE PREPARE TO MEET OUR LORD

#### THE INVOCATION

We invoke ("call upon") the name of our Triune God.

**PASTOR:** We begin our Savior's worship service today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen!**

#### OPENING HYMN: #609:1 [Red Hymnal]

#### CONFESION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

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

P: God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**ALL: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**ALL: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting.**

P: Jesus Christ is the satisfactory payment for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. You are forgiven. With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of Jesus Christ's forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

**ALL: Amen!**

### III. OUR LORD SPEAKS TO US

#### HYMN OF THE DAY: #776:1 [Tan Supplement]

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON ~ EPHESIANS 2:4-10

**4** God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, **5** even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), **6** and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, **7** that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. **8** For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, **9** not of works, lest anyone should boast. **10** For we are His

workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

## HYMN OF THE DAY: #776:2 [Tan Supplement]

### CONFESION OF FAITH ~ 3<sup>RD</sup> ARTICLE AND LUTHER'S EXPLANATION

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Article of the Apostles' Creed reminds us of the work of the Holy Spirit revealing God's Word to us and by His grace, bringing us to faith in all our Triune God has done!

**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.**

**I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified, and kept me in true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.**

**I believe in this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life.**

This is most certainly true.

## HYMN OF THE DAY: #776:3 [Tan Supplement]

### SERMON MEDITATION read/watch sermons and services online at [www.fdllutheran.org](http://www.fdllutheran.org)

Jesus said, "...Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!" ~Luke 11:28

**Acts 9:1-22** Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest **2** and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. **3** As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. **4** Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" **5** And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." **6** So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." **7** And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one. **8** Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. **9** And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank...

**10** Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." **11** So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. **12** "And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight."

**13** Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. **14** "And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." **15** But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. **16** "For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake."

**17** And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." **18** Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized.

**19** So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus. **20** Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God. **21** Then all who heard were amazed, and said, "Is this not he who destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and has come here for that purpose, so that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?" **22** But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this Jesus is the Christ.

## **WITH GOD, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!**

1. *In Faith and Forgiveness*

2. *In Death and Deliverance*

## SERMON HYMN: #403 [Red Hymnal]

### IV. WE OFFER OURSELVES TO OUR LORD

#### AN OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS TO THE LORD

"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver." ~ 2 Corinthians 9:7

#### FOLLOWED BY THE OFFERING HYMN: WS #788:3

*Blessed by You with gifts and graces, May we heed Your Spirit's call,  
Gladly in all times and places, Give to You who gives us all.  
You have bought us; now no longer, Can we claim to be our own;  
Ever free and ever stronger, We shall serve You, Lord, alone.*

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS ~ GENERAL PRAYER ~ SAY LORD'S PRAYER

### V. OUR LORD BLESSES US

**THE BENEDICTION** - The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

**P:** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace.

**ALL: (spoken) Amen!**

## CLOSING HYMN: #609:3 [Red Hymnal]

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to all! Guests, please sign our guest book in entryway and we hope you will come and join us again! Questions? (920) 922-7421

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE:** "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

\*Online calendar at [FDLlutheran.com](http://FDLlutheran.com) or go to [facebook.com/FDL.lutheran](https://facebook.com/FDL.lutheran)

Jul 16	Sun	Usher Team #2: Don S, Pete A, Mark R, Don G, Gene M, Stuart P Organist: Mrs. Eserhut / Counters: Alan K, Bill J <b>9a</b> Divine Service <b>10a</b> Quarterly Voters Meeting following Worship Service
Jul 18	Tue	<b>6:30p</b> Elders
Jul 23	Sun	Usher Team #3: Steve S, Don E, Dave M, Eric W, Austin W Organist: Mrs. Fillmore / Counters: Alan K, Bill J <b>9a</b> Divine Service <b>11a</b> Annual Church Picnic at Buttermilk Park

**UPCOMING DATES:** →

Jul 31-4	M-F	9-Noon VBS - "Build on the Rock!" (Sign up to help on bulletin board!)
Sep 9	Sat	8-3p LM Booth at Fondue Fest
Sep 16	Sat	12p LM Building Remodel Dedication Service

**GET LMNEWS TEXTED TO YOUR PHONE = Just Text " LMNEWS " to 84483**

**SUMMER HOME VISTS!** Pastor would like to try to visit everybody this summer, Lord willing. There are calendars laid out in the back of church. Please write your name down on a day that works for you! Pastor looks forward to stopping by for a bit to catch up and encourage!

**CALL NEWS** Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has called Teacher Katie Naumann to teach grades 3-4. <> Teacher Ross Kok of St. John's Lutheran, Okabena MN, has accepted the call to Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ. <>Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called the Rev. Mark Tiefel, pastor of Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood WA, to be its second pastor. <> Teacher Nathan Wales, Holy Trinity Lutheran, returned the call to Faith Lutheran school, Markesan WI. They have called Teacher Matthew Thurow, Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN, to teach grades 3-5 and serve as principal. <> Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called Kayla Wendt, Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, to teach part-time K-6 Music, Spanish and High School Choir.



**BUILD  
ON THE ROCK**

**July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER VBS!**

Go to [FDLlutheran.com](http://FDLlutheran.com)

**Hand out Flyers!** There is a map on the bulletin board of where doorhangers have been handed out so far, take a stack of them and hand them out in your neighborhood also!

**A CONGREGATION OUTING:** Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup> Middleton is planning a picnic lunch/supper at Devil's Lake starting around 1 p.m. Bring a meat to grill and your own food---chips, potato salad, drinks, etc. If you have a small grill, please bring it along. Congregations from Fond du Lac, Markesan, Appleton, Hales Corners, Cambridge and Middleton have been invited. Kayaking, canoeing, hiking, yard games, etc. are all things that may be done.

**Living Hope Lutheran of Appleton, WI** will be hosting an outing to the home run deck of the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers (Single A team of the Milwaukee Brewers) on Friday September 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:05 PM. There is room for up to 200 people. It includes an all-you-can-eat buffet and two drinks per person. The total cost is \$23 per adult and \$19 for children under 12. Parking is \$10. There is fun for all ages, a good view of the game and a casual atmosphere for Christian conversation and fellowship! If interested please let Pastor David Ude at [david.m.ude@gmail.com](mailto:david.m.ude@gmail.com).

**Partners in Ministry Program:** The 2016 CLC Convention approved the Partners in Ministry Program which is designed to link active CLC called servants who have obligations to repay ILC Student Aid Fund loans with sponsors who agree to provide matching funds for payments on those loans. The donor and recipient would remain anonymous to each other. This program is now ready for implementation. There are about a dozen eligible account holders who will be contacted directly to see if they are interested in participating and would then need to fill out an application annually. While donors may get involved with this at any time, it would be helpful to have the initial slate of donors in place by August 15. Those interested in being donors or those who have questions may contact the ILC Business Manager, Jim Sandeen, [715-836-6622](tel:715-836-6622) [jimsandeen@gmail.com](mailto:jimsandeen@gmail.com).

**CLC Contractors:** Our ILC Facilities Manager is seeking contractors within the CLC willing to be on a list available to the Immanuel Maintenance Department. The list could include contractors for roofing/building, electrical, plumbing, concrete, etc., who could be called upon for expertise or to submit bids on large projects to save money for Immanuel. Some of the work would require the contractor to be licensed and bonded. But such a list would still obviously be helpful. Those interested can contact Paul Heinze ([715-456-7194](tel:715-456-7194)) [ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu](mailto:ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu)).

**North Hall Update and Cleaning:** The boys dormitory at the Immanuel campus, North Hall, is being updated this summer. Parts of the solar heating system had to be removed in order to

install a more efficient natural gas boiler system. New windows are also being installed. The project is progressing as planned. Because of this project occurring over summer, there will be a small window of opportunity to clean it appropriately prior to the opening of the school year. Those willing to help with cleaning during the first two weeks of August are encouraged to contact the Facilities Manager, Paul Heinze ([715-456-7194](tel:715-456-7194)/[ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu](mailto:ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu)).

## **IN OUR PRAYERS** If you are hospitalized, please let pastor know if you would like a visit!

**Hospitalized:** Gene M had a successful heart surgery and has returned to FDL from Milw. Praise God!

**Shut-ins:** Evelyn Chase (Lutheran Home), Eileen Gantner (Woodlands), Dan Immel (Woodlands), Ed Jacobs (868 W Scott St), Gloria Jacobs (Woodlands), Doris Kaiser (Woodlands), Jeanette Keipe (675 S. Main St.), John Lenburg (769 Mustang Ln), Marion Mach (Lutheran Home), Lois "Jean" Martin (Lutheran Home), Jim Steffen (N8652 Linden Beach Rd), Leah Wirkus (Lutheran Home).

## **FRUITS OF FAITH—LAST SUNDAY / FOR THE YEAR** Bible Class N/A/Worship 108

### **LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH**

**Budgetary (\$3596 budgeted per week)**

**\$2565** LM General Budget

### **Non-Budgetary**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ LM School

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ LM Student Aid Fund

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ LM Debt Retirement

\$30 \_\_\_\_\_ LM Maintenance & Improvements

\$14 \_\_\_\_\_ LM Local Missions/Outreach

\$4210 \_\_\_\_\_ LM Other: RRF (Building Fund)

### **CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION**

**Budgetary (\$680 needed per week)**

**\$400** CLC General Budget

### **Non-Budgetary**

\$10 \_\_\_\_\_ ILC Student Aid Fund

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ ILC Building Fund

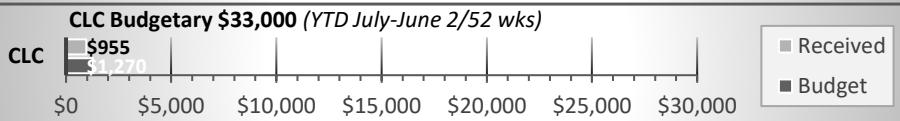
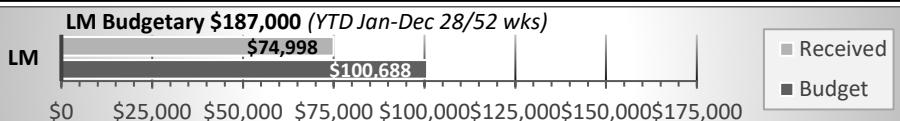
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\$10 \_\_\_\_\_ Mission Development-(MDF)

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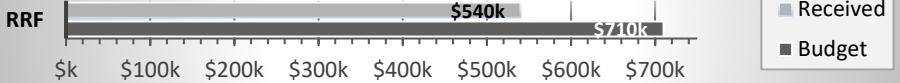
\$40 \_\_\_\_\_ CLC Other: Foreign

Memorial (Designated): Billie Jean Goldapske (\$70 RRF, Gen Miss \$20), Deb Ude (\$10)



## **GET UPDATES FROM OUR CLC MISSIONS SITE! [LutheranMissions.org](http://LutheranMissions.org)**

Remodeling for our Redeemer Fund - Estimated Project Total: **\$710,000**



## *Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions*

**Mon Isaiah 12** Assyria had already plundered the northern sector of Palestine, and down in the leftover southern section more trouble was brewing. In view of all that gloom-and-doom, God gave Isaiah this vision of a better day, when He would reclaim a chastened people and resettle them back in their ancestral homeland. Praise the LORD!

**Tues Luke 17:1-10** Tho' God allows others to persecute us, He does not allow us to injure others (1-2). As godly service to our Lord and to one another, we forgive injuries done to us (3-4). The humble child of God repents of his inabilities and failures—realizing that even his best efforts and service add up to . . . nothing more than his duty (5-10).

**Wed Acts 7:54-8:3** When the bad guys barricaded their hearts against God, Stephen was bolstered with a peek into heaven—which he shared with them just before he was swept away. Saul did not attend the funeral, for he was too busy traveling far and wide to assault God's little ones wherever he could find them. Lord, have mercy!

**Thurs Psalm 71** Stephen likely knew this psalm/hymn by heart, and we picture him reviewing it during those last moments before he expired with a brain concussion. We see how it befits Stephen's situation (12-15), dismal until it was dissipated by the brightness of God's presence —past, present, and future (5-11). God, be our comfort in our distress —just as You were for David and for Stephen. We thank You!

**Fri John 4:10** is just one verse, but it's loaded. Jesus perceived that she was ignorant of Him as God's Son and ignorant of His ability to endow her with *water* that is *living*—i.e., not stagnant but bubbling up inside a person's soul *unto everlasting life*. [Was she ignorant also that God's Word is this life-sustaining water—as per Isaiah ch. 12?]

**Sat Romans 3:21-26** After the bad news of vv. 9-20, we are ready for the good news (which never ceases to amaze us) that God diverted the fiery blast away from us and directed it onto Jesus. Which means that since sinners don't take their sin to heart, God took it to His heart, and since sinners don't have the resources to pay off their indebtedness, God took over the payments Himself and closed the account by stamping it "Paid in full by Jesus." All because He loves us.

Hallelujah to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our three-personed God!