



*Spirit of
Peace*

LUTHERAN CHURCH

20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 6, 2024

Let the
little
children
come
to me

MARK 10:14



PRELUDE

Piano Solo

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 6th: Cereal Sunday
10am, Sunday Worship & Sunday School

Tuesday, October 8th: 9am – 2pm, Pastor Devin & Tara @ Church
11am, Pastor's Cluster Meeting

Wednesday, October 9th: 9am – 2pm, Pastor Devin & Tara @ Church
6pm, Faith Builders @ SOP

Thursday, October 10th: 9am, Bible Study @ Magnolia Manor

Friday, October 11th: Pastor and Tara's Day Off

Sunday, October 13th: 10am, Sunday Worship & Sunday School

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Spirit of Peace is, through the love and power of Jesus Christ, to:

- **WELCOME** and accept everyone in joyful fellowship
- **WORSHIP** God regularly and teach God's Word
- **WORK** to serve others and share the Good News of the Gospel

Generosity Campaign Kickoff
All Hands Lift
with Erik Hahn
Sunday, October 6th



P We worship in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P We strive to be in healthy relationships with everybody in our lives. We come to worship to learn to love one another more completely but also to be lifted up and cared for when our relationships are broken.

C Loving one another can be the hardest thing that Christians ever do, and the quality of our relationships does not depend only on us, but in so far as our relationships do depend on us, we confess our sins and our failures. We try to love like Jesus loves and forgive others as we have been forgiven. Mend our relationships, O Lord.

P Jesus was born in our midst precisely because we are broken people, but our sins never, ever put us beyond God's love, so I am glad to announce to you today the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C **Thanks be to God!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

KYRIE

Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.

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HYMN OF PRAISE

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Halle, halle, hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Reading

Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸The LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was

not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.” ²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become

one flesh.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

I love to tell the story
of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory,
of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
because I know it's true;
it satisfies my longings
as nothing else would do.

Refrain

I love to tell the story;
I'll sing this theme in glory
and tell the old, old story
of Jesus and his love.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

²Some Pharisees came, and to test [Jesus] they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two,

but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.” ¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.” ¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them;

for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Mission Field



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (LBW 165)

Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Verse 2

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy
sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before
thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Verse 4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky
and sea.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is

C seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

A God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church toward renewal and justice. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Creator of every creature on earth, direct our lives toward the renewal and sustaining of cattle, birds of the air, animals of the field, and those who share our homes. Reveal the ways we can work alongside creation for the health and well-being of all. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Sovereign God, we give thanks that you are mindful and benevolent to even us, mere mortals. Accompany us when hardness of heart gets in the way of justice between people and nations. Endow leaders with minds for justice and hearts for compassion. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

A Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering especially Cindy, Donna, and Mike. We also pray for... Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

A Unifying God, we pray for all of our relationships this morning, particularly our marriages. May we claim our connections to one another as our mission field. Guard and strengthen all our friendships, especially those of these Spirit of Peace families this week: Stewart & Alex, Sara, Ruth and Pastor Devin & Chris. God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Peace of our Lord be with you all.

C And also with you.



A WORD ABOUT
THE OFFERING AND
THE WORDS OF
INSTITUTION

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.**

COME, LET US EAT

Verse 1

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,
come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.
Our Lord's body let us take together,
our Lord's body let us take together.

Verse 2

Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,
come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

BLESSED ASSURANCE (WOV 699)

Verse 1

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 2

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

Verse 3

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

Refrain

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior, all the day long:
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

P The precious Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior which we now have received strengthen us and keep us in God's grace.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P God all mighty, God most merciful ✠ bless you,
keep you, and give you peace.

C Amen.

GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING (ELW 543)

Verse 1

“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love’s baptismal river
I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

Verse 2

“Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can
cure.

Here you heard my dear Son’s story,
here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.”

P Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

Those Serving Today

Presider – Pastor Devin Strong

Music Coordinator – April

Lector – Bryan

In Person Sanctuary A/V – Erik