

August 20, 2023
11th Sunday after Trinity



TAKE HEART:
It is I.
DO NOT BE AFRAID.



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✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #396

"Oh, for a Faith That Will Not Shrink"

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

C Amen.

P Pastor

Confession of Our Sins

C Congregation

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

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 conception. 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 Introit

Ps. 34:1, 4-8

P I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

C **I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**

P Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.

C **This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.**

P The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

C **Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!**

The Kyrie & The Gloria Patri

Latin for "Lord, Have Mercy" and "Glory be to the Father"



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



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



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Collect Prayer of the Day

A prayer to God that collects together the thoughts and theme of the day.

P Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

James 1:2-8, 12

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, ³ for you know

that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. ⁴ And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. ⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. ⁶ But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸ he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways. . . . ¹² Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

1 Kings 19:9-18

There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the

LORD came to him, and he said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁰ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹¹ And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake.

¹² And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ¹³ And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there



God Speaks to Elijah

came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" ¹⁴ He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹⁵ And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. ¹⁶ And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. ¹⁷ And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. ¹⁸ Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

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

🎵 ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

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 Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn: TLH #413:1-3, 5

"I Walk in Danger All the Way"

Matthew 14:22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ²⁸ And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Red Herring on the Sea of Galilee—Keep on the Scent of God's Word!

Red Herring 1: Of bodily distraction

Red Herring 2: Of fear

Red Herring 3: Of wind and waves

The Offertory

In this prayer we offer our hearts, asking God for the best gift, the Holy Spirit.

✪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold with Your Spirit free.

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: TLH #649

"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts!

C We lift them up to the Lord.

The Order of Holy Communion



P It is truly good, right, and beneficial that we should, at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:

C ♪ *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Sabaoth, adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Lk. 22:19-20; Mt. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 11:23-25

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

C ♪ *O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose blood, once shed, true life restored, Impart Your joy, our faith increase. Sustain with Your mercy and grant us your peace.*

Communion Today is for Members Only Please

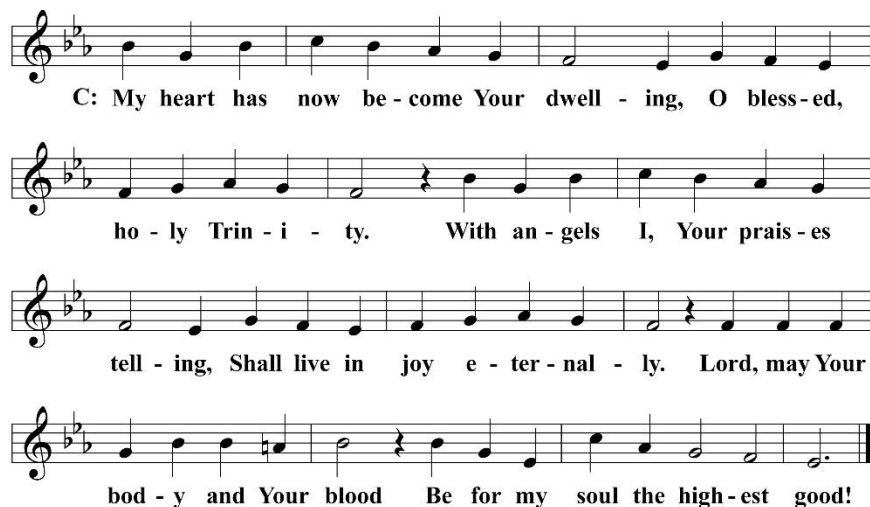
Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, please speak with our Pastor to find out about communing with us in the future! Thank you!

✠ The Distribution of the Lord's Supper ✠



C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Son, For I have seen the
glo - ry of Your re - deem - ing grace: A
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For
light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.



C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

The blessing given by God for His people.

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 His peace.

C Amen!

Hymn: TLH #410

"Jesus, Lead Thou On"

Man Up! Weekend - The 2023 ManUp! Men's Weekend will be held September 21-24, 2023, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI. The weekend will offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. Register and send in your payment before August 31st for the discounted rate of \$75. Registration increases to \$150 after September 1st. The registration includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org and clicking on the Registration Form. Sign up today!

Prayer Opportunities:

- **Carol Benter** is back at New Haven Care Center, please pray that the Lord would grant her strength.
- **Tim Lewis** returned home from the hospital on Friday after a lengthy stay. Join him in praising the Lord for granting him recovery of his health! Pray that the Lord would continue to strengthen him.
- **Lydia Ohlmann** went up to Wisconsin this week for college at ILC. Pray that the Lord would bless her school year and keep her safe.
- **Wally and Chris Sothey** welcomed a new granddaughter into the world, Rory. Join them in praising God for the gift of life and for a safe delivery for Rory and her mother!

CLC Missions Prayer List

Myanmar (Southeast Asia) – Pastor Kham recently sent a sad and troubling report that after eight days of ground combat between the Myanmar military and People's Defense Force (PDF), two villages in Chin State, the military Junta sent in bomber and fighter jets carpet bombed several villages in the area. Many houses of CLC-Myanmar members have been burned, damaged, or destroyed. These families have left their home villages in search of safety and shelter. This has also caused many conflicts between tribes as they blame each other for the harsh treatment they receive from the Junta. On top of this, the Military Junta has [dissolved all political parties](#) and recently announced that they have [postponed the August 2023 elections](#) they have been promising since they took over the country by force in [February of 2021](#). **Continue to Pray** for justice and peace for all the people of Myanmar. **Pray** especially for our brothers and sisters in Christ that our Savior will give them strength, comfort, courage, and boldness during these difficult times and that He will provide for all their needs. **Thank the Lord** for moving the hearts of His children to give generously to the needs of others through their offerings and prayers.

The Philippines (Southeast Asia) – [Typhoon Doksuri](#) recently hit the Philippines. Pastor Palangyos reports that those he serves are safe as they continue to assess and repair damaged homes and property. Pastor Andrew Schaller (CLC Bd of Doctrine Secretary) continues the colloquy with Pastor Jordan Palangyos and the Lutheran Autonomous Mission in the Philippines (LAMP) via email correspondence. **Thank the Lord** for keeping the sheep of His LAMP flock safe, and ask for His love, provision, and mercy as they rebuild. **Pray** that the Lord will bless the colloquy and that this will lead to a God-pleasing unity of faith and teaching. **Ask the Lord** to provide opportunities and all that is necessary for Pastor Jordan to continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus!

Pakistan – Pastor Tim Daub continues to teach online video Bible lessons to two groups of Christians who are eager to start a Lutheran church in Pakistan. The Board of Missions has authorized Missionary Ohlmann to accompany Pastor Daub on a visit to Pakistan in early 2024. **Pray that the Lord will continue to bless** the

teaching and learning of His word. **Thank our Savior** for this opportunity and the technology to proclaim the truth of His word in such a way.

India (Southeast Asia) – Immanuel Lutheran Seminary of the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLCI) graduated seventeen men on June 15th. [These graduates](#) have all successfully completed four years of Biblical seminary training. They will be assigned to both newly established and existing CLCI congregations. Seventeen students graduate from the seminary each year; most go on to serve new congregations. Kinship sponsorship allows these men to continue supporting their families while at the seminary. **Thank the Lord** for these new, faithful, and well-trained pastors, and **ask the Lord to bless** their preaching and teaching of His saving Word.

Kenya (East Africa) – The CLC Bd of Missions (BoM) recently sent MDF Grant funds to assist with much-needed classroom repairs and new building construction at the Kinship-supported schools in Etago and Moi's Bridge. Construction is almost complete, and the buildings are already being put to good use. **Give thanks to the Lord** for the privilege of assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ in training so many young souls through the two schools. **Pray for the Lord's continued blessings** upon the teachers, students, and staffs of St. David's Kinship School and Emmaus Millimani School as they grow in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. **Ask the Lord** to bless the trip preparations for Pastors Gurath and Maas.

Missionary Ohlmann – is scheduled to be working overseas most of October, November, and December with visits to West, Central, and East Africa. He is also making plans to visit Thailand and Laos in early November. **Pray for** all that is necessary for these trips to be planned and take place. **Ask for the Lord's** blessing on the D.R. Congo visa application and approval process again this year. **Ask the Lord** to keep his wife Beth and their family safe while he is away. **Pray for** the Lord's love, wisdom, patience, and zeal during these visits that His name be glorified as the truth of His saving word is proclaimed, and pastors are trained. You can read his blog at: missionaryohlmann.blogspot.com

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; Aug. 21 - 26, '23

Mon Luke 7:36-50 The Pharisee who compares himself to the sinful woman concludes that he is not only much better than she is, but that he is also better than the Jesus whom she worships. In a parable, Jesus points out that **both** he and the woman are debtors (sinful), and it's really all about forgiveness.

Tues Romans 8:33-34 The treasure of God's kingdom is forgiveness. If God gave up His own Son for our forgiveness, who can still bring those sins against us? Perhaps Jesus Christ, who carried our sin to the cross, could hold it against us that He had to suffer, but look! He is even interceding for us!

Wed Romans 8:35-39 In this life we face troubles of many kinds, but even the ultimate trouble, death itself, cannot take away the forgiving love of God in Christ which we have been given. The victory is assured before the troubles even show up.

Thur Daniel 9:15-16 The LORD's prophet confesses that Jerusalem, the home of God's chosen people, deserved destruction for their sins, but remembers His "acts of compassion and forgiveness" (v9), including the deliverance from Egypt, and pleads that He would turn His anger and wrath away once more.

Fri Daniel 9:17-19 Not only does Daniel seek God's grace, but also His glory. The surrounding nations are laughing at the destruction of the city known as the LORD's. He pleads for forgiveness on the basis of God's great compassion, and restoration of God's name among all people of the world.

Sat Matthew 12:9-21 Jesus has compassion for the man with the withered hand, in contrast to the Pharisees, who show more compassion for their animals. They see only an opportunity to accuse Jesus, and then plot His death (on the Sabbath). Jesus shows compassion toward them by withdrawing.