

SEVENTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

*If we died with him,
we will also live with him;*

*If we endure,
we will also reign with him.*



*If we disown him,
he will also disown us;*

*If we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.*

2 Timothy 2:11-13

ST. LUCAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 6th & 7th, 2024

The Season

We have entered the second half of the Church Year, the half that focuses on the teachings of the Christian faith. The Christian faith contains teachings that are so wonderful that we would never even believe them unless God himself revealed their truthfulness to us. God sent his Spirit from heaven to earth to empower his children to believe the totally unbelievable.

The Sunday

When our efforts to share God's Word are met not with glee and gratitude but rejection and resentment, we are in good company. The prophets, apostles, and even Jesus himself all had those who responded negatively to their message. When that happens to us, it doesn't mean our witness is no longer meaningful. For if others do not appreciate our efforts to serve them, God still appreciates our efforts to serve him.

Prayer before Worship

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'" Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister: Pastor Timothy Henning Organist: Laura Schulz
Ushers: Chris Peters (6 pm Saturday)
Joe Herther & Henry Schacht (9 am Sunday)

On Galilee's High Mountain

CW 742

Stand for the 4th stanza



1 On Gal - i - lee's high moun - tain Christ gave the great com -
2 The Lord, who, born of Mar - y, came down as man and
3 His strength with - in my weak - ness will make me bold to
4 And not a - lone to na - tions in far - a - way re -
5 Lord, gath - er all your chil - dren, wher - ev - er they may



mand in words of strength and prom - ise which
died, who preached to all who lis - tened, for
say how his re - deem - ing pow - er trans -
treats, but ev - 'ry - where I broad - cast his
be, and lead them on to heav - en to



all can un - der - stand: "All pow'r to me is
us was cru - ci - fied. This Lord, our liv - ing
forms my stub - born clay. His touch of fire ig -
love through crowd - ed streets. The lives that my life
live e - ter - nal - ly with you, our lov - ing



giv - en to do what I shall choose; there -
broth - er, in pow'r at God's right hand has
nites me, with cour - age I am sent, my
touch - es, how - ev - er great or small— let
Fa - ther, and Christ, our broth - er dear, whose



fore I send my chil - dren, their wit - ness I will use."
cho - sen us to car - ry his truth to ev - 'ry land.
tongue - tied si - lence bro - ken, with grace made el - o - quent.
them through me see Je - sus, who served and saved us all.
Spir - it guards and gives us the joy to per - se - vere.

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Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

**We have done those things that we should not have done,
and we have not done those things that we should have done.**

Have mercy on us, Lord!

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,
according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.
Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Gloria (Amer) - MISSIONARY HYMN

CW 1001

Tune: MISSIONARY HYMN



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;



for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.



Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,



we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty, eternal and righteous God, you revealed your divine Word to teach us what we should do and what we should avoid. Strengthen and lead us by your Holy Spirit that we serve you in new obedience here until we come to complete holiness before you in that life to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-7

The LORD sends Ezekiel to prophesy to the Israelites, knowing that most will not be grateful for the prophet's message but resentful.

¹He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you." ²As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

³He said: "Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day.

⁴The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, "This is what the Sovereign LORD says." ⁵And whether they listen or fail to listen—for they are a rebellious people—they will know that a prophet has been among them. ⁶And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them or their words. Do not be afraid, though briars and thorns are all around you and you live among scorpions. Do not be afraid of what they say or be terrified by them, though they are a rebellious people. ⁷You must speak my words to them, whether they listen or fail to listen, for they are rebellious.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27

CW 825 sts. Ref-3

Refrain

The Lord is my light and my sal - va - tion. The Lord is the
strong-hold of my life. — Since the Lord is my life, my
strength, and my all, whom then shall I fear?

Verse

1 There is one thing I ask of the Lord: to dwell in his

house for - ev - er, to gaze_ on the beau-ty of the

Lord all the days_ of my life. ___

Verse

2 Do not hide_ your face, O_ Lord. Ev-'ry day I will

seek your_ face. ___ Though my fa - ther and moth - er may for-

sake me, the_ Lord ___ will re - ceive me.

Verse

3 Teach me, Lord, and keep me on your paths; ___ guide me,

Lord, _ a - long a lev - el way. ___ I will gaze on the

good-ness of the Lord in the land of all the liv - ing.

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Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:1–13

Paul's ministry resulted in him being chained like a criminal. Yet God's Word cannot be chained.

¹You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. ²And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. ³Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. ⁵Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. ⁶The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. ⁷Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹Here is a trustworthy saying:

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we will also live with him;
¹²if we endure,
we will also reign with him.

If we disown him,
he will also disown us;
¹³if we are faithless,
he remains faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Ezekiel 2:7

Alleluia!

You must speak my words to them,
whether they listen or fail to listen.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

Many in Jesus' hometown rejected his ministry.

¹Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. ²When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

“Where did this man get these things?” they asked. “What’s this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? ³Isn’t this the carpenter? Isn’t this Mary’s son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren’t his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him.

⁴Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home.” ⁵He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. ⁶He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Children’s Sermon

Children may come forward to the front pew

God Has Spoken by His Prophets

CW 639



1 God has spo - ken by his proph - ets, spo - ken his un - chang - ing Word,
2 God has spo - ken by Christ Je - sus, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Son,
3 God is speak - ing by his Spir - it, speak - ing to our hearts a - gain,



each from age to age pro - claim - ing God, the one, the right - eous Lord.
bright - ness of the Fa - ther's glo - ry, with the Fa - ther ev - er one;
in the age - less Word de - clar - ing his own mes - sage, now as then.



In the world's de - spair and tur - moil one firm an - chor holds us fast:
spo - ken by the Word in - car - nate, God from God, be - fore time was;
Thro' the rise and fall of na - tions one sure faith is stand - ing fast:



God is King, his throne e - ter - nal, God the first and God the last.
Light from Light, to earth de - scend - ing, he re - veals our God to us.
God a - bides, his Word un - chang - ing, God the first and God the last.

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Sermon

2 Timothy 2:1-13 God's Word is not Chained

Stand

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.**

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

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Preach You the Word

CW 895



1 Preach you the Word and plant it home to those who
2 We know how hard, O Lord, the task your ser - vant
3 The sow - er sows; his reck - less love scat - ters a -
4 Though some be snatched and some be scorched and some be



like or like it not, the Word that shall en -
bids us un - der - take: to preach your Word and
broad the good - ly seed, in - tent a - lone that
choked and mat - ted flat, the sow - er sows; his



dure and stand when flow'rs and mor - tals are for - got.
nev - er ask what pride - ful prof - it it may make.
there may be the whole - some loaves that peo - ple need.
heart cries out, "Oh, what of that, and what of that?"

- 5 Of all his scattered plenteousness
one-fourth waves ripe on hill and flat,
and bears a harvest, hundredfold:
"Ah, what of that, Lord, what of that!"
- 6 Preach you the Word and plant it home
and never faint; the Harvest Lord
who gave the sower seed to sow
will watch and tend his planted Word.

Stand

Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

O Christians, Haste

CW 901



1 O Chris - tians, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
2 Be - hold how man - y thou - sands still are ly - ing
3 Pro - claim to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
4 Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious,



to tell to all the world that God is light,
bound in the drear - y pris - on - house of sin
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
give of your wealth to speed them on their way;



that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
with none to tell them of the Sav - ior's dy - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion
pour out your soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious;



one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.
or of the life he died for them to win.
and died on earth that they might live a - bove.
O Chris - tians, haste to bring the bright - er day!

Refrain



Pub - lish glad ti - dings, ti - dings of peace,



ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

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Announcements

Confirmation Pictures: Confirmation pictures are now available and in the back of the church for you to pick up.

Vacation Bible School (VBS): Join us each day, July 8th-12th from 9:00 am -11:00 am, for VBS with the theme “Gone Fishin’”. Children age 3 years old through 6th grade are welcome to join us. Adults and teens are encouraged to volunteer to make this a fun week. We are looking for volunteers to help with Bible stories, snacks, games, crafts or music. Registration for both children and volunteers is now available. Please visit our website, www.stlucaswels.org, **to register children for VBS and to sign up to volunteer.** Links for both registration and volunteer signup are located on the right hand side of the home page.

National Night Out: We will be hosting National Night Out on August 6th from 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm. The Kewaskum Big Band will provide entertainment 6:30-7:30 pm. We are looking for volunteers to help with food, games, set up and take down. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit our website, www.stlucaswels.org, to sign up. A link to sign up to volunteer is located on the right hand side of the home page.

Miriam’s Walk: Join us at our 2nd annual Walk for Life event on Saturday 7/20/24 to benefit WELS Lutherans for Life’s pregnancy medical clinic. There is no cost for the event so come on out and enjoy themed laps, dunk tank, obstacle course, live music, and more! A cooling towel will be awarded to participants who raise \$50 or more in pledges. (Paper sponsor form or digital form showing \$50 or more pledged must be submitted by July 3.) The walk will be held at the Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School Track, 3399 Division Rd, Jackson, WI 53037 from 8:00 am – 11:00 am. For details & registration visit ALife2.com/Miriams-Walk.

Redeemer Lutheran Church Farmers Market: Redeemer, Cedarburg will once again be hosting a Farmers Market every Saturday from 9-1pm during the month of August. Food, produce, specialty gifts, and more. Visit redeemercedarburg.com for more information.

Position Available at Our Savior Lutheran Church and School: Our Savior in Grafton is looking for a Preschool Teacher's Aid for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested in applying for the position, please contact the church office at: oslcs@oursaviorgrafton.org

Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:

BIRTHDAYS

Waylon Dreher - 7/7

William Olewinski - 7/7

Carol Fabitz - 7/8

Albert Prost - 7/8

James Garvey - 7/9

Anthony Marquardt - 7/9

Hazel McCambridge - 7/10

Roger Groeschel - 7/11

Leah Koth - 7/12

Gina Raether - 7/12

ANNIVERSARIES

Mark & Joyce Kral - 7/13

CALENDAR

Readings for July 7th - July 14th 2024



JUL 07

Sunday

Judges 2:6-23
Acts 13:13-41

Worship 9 am

JUL 08

Monday

Judges 3:7-31
Acts 13:42-52

VBS - 9am-11am

JUL 09

Tuesday

Judges 4:1-24
Judges 5:1-31
Acts 14:1-18

VBS - 9am-11am

JUL 10

Wednesday

Judges 6:1-24
Acts 14:19-15:5

VBS - 9am-11am

JUL 11

Thursday

Judges 6:25-40
Acts 15:6-21

Coffee Corner
Conversations 6:15 am

VBS - 9am-11am

JUL 12

Friday

Judges 7:1-23
Judges 7:24-12:15
Galatians 1:1-24

VBS - 9am-11am

JUL 13

Saturday

Judges 13:1-25
Ruth 1:1-4:22
Galatians 2:1-21

**Worship w/Communion
6:00 pm**

JUL 14

Sunday

Judges 14:1-20
Galatians 3:1-22

**Worship w/Communion
9 am**

**Ushers for
7/13 & 7/14**

Sat. 7/13 6 pm - Beyer

Sun. 7/14 9 am - Wolter
Zuehlke

**Ushers for
7/20 & 7/21**

Sat. 7/20 6 pm - Kempf

Sun. 7/21 9 am - Stoltz
Strack

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