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PRAYER UPON ENTERING GOD'S HOUSE

Heavenly Father, prepare my heart to worship you. Through your Word, make me sincerely repentant for the many sins which I have committed and reassure me of your loving kindness in my Savior, Christ Jesus. Through your Holy Spirit, keep my thoughts focused on the eternal truths which will be spoken and sung today. Guide and bless those leading in worship today. Make this service a celebration of your goodness and grace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

WELCOME

We Examine the Evidence that Contradicts the Evident

Opening Hymn:

Rise, Shine, You People

Christian Worship, Hymn # 556

Verse 1  **Rise, shine, you people!**

Christ the Lord has entered

Our human story; God in him is centered.

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,

With grace unbounded.

Verse 2  **See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;**
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.

All men and women, who by guilt are driven,

Now are forgiven

(Hymn continues on the next page.)

C Verse 3 

**Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
Of Jesus' glory.**

INVOCATION

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

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

M If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with a holy life and innocent death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

ABSOLUTION

M Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY--*Kyrie*

M In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

M 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.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Amen.**

C Verse 1  **Praise the one who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the one who frees the pris'ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the one who preached the gospel,
Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms and feeding thousands
With the Father's word of peace.**

C Verse 3  **Let us praise the Word incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place;
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the one who makes us one. *(CW #353)***

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M O Lord, our God, govern the nations on earth and direct the affairs of this world so that your Church may worship you in peace and joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

BE SEATED

Old Testament Lesson

Job 38:1-11

38 Then the LORD spoke to Job out of the storm. He said: ²“Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge? ³Brace yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation? Tell me, if you understand. ⁵Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? ⁶On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone—⁷while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? ⁸“Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, ⁹when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness, ¹⁰when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, ¹¹when I said, ‘This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt’?”

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

☩ We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Gospel Lesson

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵ That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." ³⁶ Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. ³⁷ A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. ³⁸ Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

³⁹ He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

⁴⁰ He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

⁴¹ They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Hymn of the Day:
Christian Worship, Hymn # 379

Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound

Verse 1  **Amazing grace— How sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see.**

Verse 2  **The Lord has promised good to me;
His Word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**

Verse 3  **Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.**

Verse 4  **When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining like the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.**

2 Corinthians 5:14-21

“The Evidence that Contradicts the Evident”

¹⁴ For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

¹⁶ So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

THE SACRAMENT

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M Blessed are you, Lord God, eternal King and gracious Father. In love you made us the crown of your creation. In mercy you planned our salvation. In grace you sent your Son to redeem us from sin. We remember and give you thanks that your eternal Son, Jesus Christ, became flesh and made his dwelling among us, that he willingly placed himself under law to redeem those under law, that he humbled himself becoming obedient to death on a cross, that he has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Bless us as we receive your Son's body and blood in this Sacrament. Forgive our sins, increase our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and deepen our longing for the day when Christ will welcome us to his eternal feast. Praise and thanks and honor and glory be to you, O God our Father, and to your Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C 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 ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M Our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out 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 Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

A PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord, I am a sinner. I do not deserve to commune with you, my holy God. But because of your Son and through faith in him, you graciously invite me to not only pray to you but also to come to your Table. Use this sacrament to reassure me of your forgiveness and strengthen me to live a new life of thanksgiving and joy. In Jesus' name. Amen.

(After all those communing have received Lord's Supper, we conclude our celebration)

M Now may this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in the one true faith unto life everlasting. Be assured, your sins are forgiven.

C Amen.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

M Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C His mercy endures forever.

M Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

M We give thanks, almighty God, that you have renewed our spirits with this saving gift. We pray that through this means of grace you will strengthen our trust in you and increase our zeal to do your will. By your Spirit continue to help us live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us and all believers as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BLESSING

M 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.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn:

Oh, for a Faith that Will Not Shrink

Christian Worship, Hymn # 405

C Verse 1  **Oh, for a faith that will not shrink
Though pressed by many a foe,
That will not tremble on the brink
Of poverty or woe,**

C Verse 2  **That will not murmur nor complain
Beneath the chast'ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain
Can lean upon its God,**

C Verse 3  **A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without,
That, when in danger, knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt,**

C Verse 6  **Lord, give us such a faith as this,
And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home.**

BE SEATED

Bulletin Announcements - Thursday, June 24—Sunday, June 27

Our Father's Business

Today	Preacher, Pastor Darin Aden Organ Today—Judy Mangin
Tuesday 6/29	Campfire Gathering at 6:30 pm
Thursday 7/1	Thursday Worship Service at 6:30 pm

SERVING YOU TODAY—THURSDAY—6:30 pm Ushers—Jeff/Jellane Schneider, Arlie Olp ■ **SUNDAY—9:00 am Ushers—** Andy/Zac Bubolz, Ray Bubolz, Adam Bubolz, Bill Hillmann, Matt Hillmann, Nick Schrubbe ■ **Church Cleaners—** Nancy Hillmann, Sarah Miller, Roger/Judy Hoida ■ **Flower Committee—** Judy Mangin, Jennifer Janke ■ **Communion Set-Up/Take-Down—** Karla Aden, Chantel Bastian, Joan Sheahan.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK—THURSDAY—6:30 pm Ushers—Gary Bernhardt, Dave Hoepfner ■ **SUNDAY—9:00 am Ushers—**Mel Mangin, Tim Mangin, Jamie Mangin, Gary Waack ■ **Church Cleaners—**Yvonne Wenzlaff, Gail Denor ■ **Flower Committee—**Kathie Kiekhaefer, Krizty Sebo.

HYMNALS—If you'd like to purchase a hymnal/bible for your personal use the donation forms are in the West Office, deadline for orders will be June 30th. Put donation forms in the Church Box located in the back of church or mail to SJSJ at 219 Manitowoc St., Reedsville.

SJSJ CAMP OUTING—The annual church/school camp outing held at Devil's River Campground will be July 9-11. If you would like a campsite for this year's SJSJ Camp Outing, please contact Karie Robley by June 18th at 920-772- 4959 or email her at robley@tds.net.

OFFICE HOURS—The Church & School Offices will be open from 8am-12pm daily during the months of June, July & August. Scrip will be available to purchase during these hours.

ECONO FOODS RECIEPTS—Thank you to everyone for saving your Econo Foods receipts. Just a reminder that now the receipts are good all year long. Be sure to turn in your summer receipts.

SURVEY—Please give your Worship Committee Survey to an Usher, place it in the church box on the table in the back of the church or drop it off at the Church/School

office. The surveys will no longer be inserted into the bulletins but will be available on the table in the West Church Office Thank you!

DIVINE CALL—Kati Guenterburg of Appleton has been called to be our part-time teacher for Principal Administrative time.

HYMNALS—The Synod’s new hymnal will be ready for use at the end of this year. As we begin to use them in worship, we will also begin to use them in our SJSJ classrooms. Our grade school students will need new hymnals. The total cost for 60 hymnals is \$ 1,440.00. The Church Council has added hymnals to our School Wish List. Some funds have already been given, so our goal is \$1,200.00. If you would like to help our students with this new expense, please mark your offering envelope **”School Hymnals”**.

BEST CHOICE LABELS—St. John - St. James participates in the Save-A-Label Program sponsored by Best Choice. Best Choice products can be found locally at Tadych’s EconoFoods in Brillion. Please continue to save the UPC portion of the Best Choice labels (including the words “BEST CHOICE”). For every 1,000 UPC labels submitted, SJSJ will receive \$30 for our school! We will be sending our labels in soon! Please drop off your Best Choice labels at church or school by Sunday, July 4, 2021. **THANK YOU!**

SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED - The School Office will be closed on Monday, June 28th & Wednesday, June 30th. Please visit Cindy in the Church Office at entrance "B" or "C" if you wish to purchase scrip on Monday or Wednesday.

GIFTS GIVEN—Norman and Kay Pantzlaff gave a gift to the Building Fund in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary! Changis & Kwan Hakim also gave a gift to our Church in honor of Norm & Kay’s 50th Wedding Anniversary. Changis & Kwan Hakim are the parents of Norm & Kay’s daughter-in-law, Candace Hakim, who is married to their son, Tim Pantzlaff. God’s blessing on your 50 years of happiness together! Also, in memory of Emery Rahm, Gene & Charmaine Wagner gave a gift to the Building Fund. Thank you for remembering our Building Fund!

3RD ANNUAL MESSENGERS CONCERT—Wednesday, August 11 at 6:30pm in the St. John St. James parking lot, weather permitting. Bring a comfortable chair. If weather is not permitting, join us in the gymnasium! Refreshments will be provided. Please keep your eyes and ears open for ways that you can be a blessing in encouraging this exciting evangelism opportunity! If you have questions, please speak to Phil or Abby Stuebs.

MESSENGERS CONCERT DONATION BOARD—In the vestibule of School and in the back of the church is a donations board full of items needed for the concert, as well as a glass jar/wood box for cash donations. If interested in helping please take an item off

the board and drop it off in the Church or School office any Monday-Friday 8 am—Noon, or before/after services on Thursday/Sunday. We will accept donations no later than Sunday, August 8. Thank you for your help!

POSITIONS TO FILL—Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for the following positions: Full-time Maintenance Technician, Full-time Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC) Assistant Teacher, Part-time ECLC Teacher, Part-time ECLC Substitute Teachers. The comprehensive descriptions for these positions can be found at mlc-wels.edu/hr. Interested individuals should apply online. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Tuesday, July 13, 2021. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221.

THANK YOU—Thank you to all of the men who helped straightened tombstones in our cemeteries on June 12. A special “Thank You” to Paul Reinemann for the use of his Bobcat to lift the larger stones.

St. John – St. James Church Council Meeting Highlights - June 14, 2021

Þ Jeff Doemel reported on income for the month of May was \$66,285 and expenses were \$50,621. Total debt balance at the end of May is \$6,710.

Þ The Charities balance at the end of May was \$29,690.34. Total monies in the Building Project Fund are \$14,213.50.

St. John – St. James Voter’s Budget Meeting Highlights - June 20, 2021

Þ There were 18 voting members and 21 total members present.

Þ A unanimous ballot was cast for Kati Guenterberg to be our part time teacher.

Þ The voters voted to accept the proposed 2021/2022 budget.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE—June 14-20

Church Attendance: Thursday 6:30 pm Service—66, Sunday 9:00am—130, Total: 196

Offerings: General Fund—\$7,453.00*, Synod—\$578.50*, MLHS—\$235.50*, Total \$8,267.00*

Special Offerings: Building Fund—\$3,535.00*(needed each week \$2,312)

Communion Cups—\$ 350.00

* Electronic Offerings Included



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