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WELCOME

THROUGH THE WORD, THE Lord works complete transformation

Opening Hymn:

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Christian Worship, Hymn # 919



Verse 1



Blessèd Jesus, at your Word

we are gathered all to hear you.

Let our hearts and souls be stirred

now to seek and love and fear you,

by your teachings, sweet and holy,

drawn from earth to love you solely.



Verse 2



All our knowledge, sense, and sight

lie in deepest darkness shrouded

till your Spirit breaks our night

with the beams of truth unclouded.

You alone to God can win us;

you must work all good within us.

(Our hymn continues on the next page.)

C Verse 3 **♪** **Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light from Light, from God proceeding,
open now our heart and mind;
help us by your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry your Church now raises;
hear and bless our prayers and praises.**

C Verse 4 **♪** **Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
praise to you and adoration!
Grant that we your Word may trust,
confident of our salvation,
while we here below must wander,
till we sing your praises yonder.**

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 his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

(Silence for meditation and reflection)

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.

G **Lord, have mercy.**

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

G **Amen.**

G Verse 1 **♫** **By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
my soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why waver at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
So then this word must true remain:
by grace you, too, shall heav'n obtain.**

G Verse 2 **♫** **By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit
that Jesus died, your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone,
that brought him from his heav'nly throne.**

(CW #575)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.

G **And also with you.**

M Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, into this world to destroy the works of the devil and protect us poor people against such an evil foe. Uphold us in all affliction by your Holy Spirit so that we may have peace from such enemies and remain forever blessed; 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

First Lesson

Jeremiah 7:1-8

7 This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²“Stand at the gate of the LORD’s house and there proclaim this message:

“Hear the word of the LORD, all you people of Judah who come through these gates to worship the LORD. ³This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: Reform your ways and your actions, and I will let you live in this place. ⁴Do not trust in deceptive words and say, “This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD!” ⁵If you really change your ways and your actions and deal with each other justly, ⁶if you do not oppress the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow and do not shed innocent blood in this place, and if you do not follow other gods to your own harm, ⁷then I will let you live in this place, in the land I gave your ancestors for ever and ever. ⁸But look, you are trusting in deceptive words that are worthless.

M The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 6:39-49

³⁹ He also told them this parable: “Can the blind lead the blind? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰ The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.

⁴¹ “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴² How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.

⁴³ “No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. ⁴⁴ Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. ⁴⁵ A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.

⁴⁶ “Why do you call me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷ As for everyone who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice, I will show you what they are like. ⁴⁸ They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹ But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.”



 The Gospel of the Lord.



 **Thanks be to God.**



Hymn of the Day:

Son of God, Eternal Savior

Christian Worship, Hymn # 729

** Verse 1  **Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us,
Hallows all our human race,
You our head, who, throned in glory,
For your own will ever plead:
Fill us with your love and pity;
Heal our wrongs and help our need.****

** Verse 3  **As you, Lord, have lived for others,
So may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
Freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
Yours the wealth of land and sea;
We but stewards of your bounty
Held in solemn trust will be.****

** Verse 4  **Son of God, eternal Savior,
Source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us,
Hallows all our human race,
By your praying, by your willing
That your people should be one,
Grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
Here on earth your will be done.****

James 1:17-27

“Listen Up”

- 1. Listen to each other**
- 2. Listen to God’s Word**

¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. ¹⁸ He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. ²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.

²⁷ Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

C 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

C **Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.**

M Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

C **Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.**

(Our prayer concludes on the next page.)

M Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. *(Special intercessions may be offered here.)* Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

C **Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.**

M Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.
(Silent prayer.)

M Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

C **Hear us for Jesus' sake, in whose name we also 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.**

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:

Speak, O Lord

Christian Worship, Hymn # 633

** Verse 1  **Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your holy Word;
Take your truth, plant it deep in us,
Shape and fashion us in your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory.****

** Verse 2  **Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility;
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.****

** Verse 3  **Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds,
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your Church is built,
And the earth is filled with your glory.****

OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS

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| Today | Preacher, Pastor Louis Sievert, Retired Pastor |
| | Music Today—Charmaine Wagner |
| Today | Voters' Budget Meeting in the Commons at 10:00 am |
| 6/22 Wed. | Campfires Around the Cross at 6:30 pm |
| 6/23 Thur. | Worship Service at 6:30 pm |

Thursday, June 16 & Sunday, June 19

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK—Thursday 6:30 pm Ushers—Scott Bubolz, Brian/Susan Bubolz, Bill Voeltz ■ **SUNDAY—9:00 am Ushers**—Dan Duchow, Jeff Herzog ■ **Church Cleaners**—Sarah Zimmerman, Corey/Sarah Marohn ■ **Flower Committee**—Judy Mangin, Jennifer Janke.

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK—THURSDAY—6:30 pm Ushers—Jeff Schneider, Jellane Schneider, Arlie Olp ■ **SUNDAY—9:00 am Ushers**—Dan Duchow, Jeff Herzog ■ **Church Cleaners**—Shawn/Melissa Behnke, Sheri Lau ■ **Flower Committee**—Judy Mangin, Jennifer Janke ■ **Communion Set-Up/Take-Down**—Karla Aden, Chantel Bastian, Joan Sheahan.

MINISTRY RESERVE FUND—We have started a fund for our Second Pastor to help defray costs involved in adding another Pastor. If you wish to give to the Ministry Reserve Fund please place your offering in an envelope and clearly mark it as **Ministry Reserve Fund or 2nd Pastor Fund** and place it in the offering plate.

PASTOR'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY—On Sunday, July 31st, we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary in the pastoral ministry for Pastor Aden in the 9:00 outdoor service (weather permitting). Pastor Jon Zabel from St. Paul, Green Bay, will be the guest preacher. A time of fellowship will be held following the service until the meal is served at approximately 10:45 am in the Commons. A short program will follow the meal. Sign-up sheets for food donations, attendance, and kitchen helpers are in the west office. Help will also be needed in set up on Saturday, July 30th. The committee asks that everyone please sign the sheets by July 17th. We will be holding our usual Thursday night service on July 28th. Chicken and ham will be served for Pastor Aden's anniversary celebration. The Church Council has decided to ask for donations to cover the cost of the meat. Please drop off monetary gifts in the container marked "Donations for Chicken and Ham" on the back table.

SJSJ CAMP OUTING—The annual church/school camp outing held at Devil's River Campground is being planned for July 8th—10th. If you would like a campsite for this year's SJSJ Camp Outing, please contact Karie Robley at 920-772-4959 or email her at

robley@tds.net. Deadline for the camp outing is Sunday, June 26th.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE—All Thursday evening services will be held at 6:30 pm inside the sanctuary. Starting Sunday, June 5th all Sunday worship services will be held OUTSIDE in the parking lot. Please bring your own lawn chair. This summer schedule will continue through Labor Day weekend.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SET UP / TAKE DOWN—The Worship committee is looking for volunteers to set up and take down for the outdoor services starting June 5. Set up and take down will take approximately 20-30 minutes before and after the service. If you'd like to serve in this way, a sign up sheet is in the west office. Thank you!

MEMORIALS GIVEN—Gene & Charmaine Wagner gave a gift to the Building fund in memory of Karen Wollersheim. Thank you!

VOTERS' BUDGET MEETING—A Voters' Meeting will be held **today, Sunday, June 19th at 10:00 am** in the Commons. Items on the agenda are: 1) 2022-2023 Budget.

2ND PASTOR—Our congregation did not receive a Seminary graduate from the assignment committee. There were 80 requests for graduates. There were only 27 graduates available for assignment. Our district President, Pastor Joel Zank is very busy preparing call lists. We will have a call meeting on Thursday, June 30th at 7:30pm after the service.

BUDGET COPIES—Because we don't get the school choice numbers until June 1st, the Budget Committee has a short time line to finalize the budget and have it approved by the Council. The budget will be emailed on Friday, June 17th. Paper copies of the budget will be available at the Thursday night service tonight, June 16th. You may also pick up a paper copy in the office on Friday, June 17th.

CAMPFIRES AROUND THE CROSS—Please join us for our first Campfire around the Cross on June 22nd at 6:30 PM. Weather permitting we will meet around the firepit behind church. There is limited bench seating--bring a lawn/camp chair if you are able. The evening will include a Bible story, games for kids, snacks, and the enjoyment of each other's company. If the weather does not cooperate, we will meet in the Commons. This event is for all ages--feel free to invite a friend or neighbor.

HEATING SYSTEM GIFT—Leroy and Judy Stahl gave a gift to the Heating System fund. Thank you so much!

MLC JOB OPENINGS—Martin Luther College is accepting applications for full-time and part-time Early Childhood Assistant Teachers, and a full-time Administrative Assistant for Environmental Services. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/. Thank you.

MLC/MLHS Scholarship Assistance

- SJSJ has set a goal of \$5,600 for the MLC Scholarship Fund. We presently have \$10,267. We have met our goal, we thank you very much.
- We have set a goal of \$4,600 for the MLHS Scholarship Fund. We presently have \$ 6,885. We have met our goal, we thank you very much.

HEATING SYSTEM

On Sunday May 22nd our voters decided to go ahead with a new heating system for our 1961 addition. The cost is \$49,975.00 plus about \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00 for the electrical work. Mark and Lyle will donate some materials and some labor for a savings between \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00. We thank them for this donation. The total cost would then remain at \$49,975.

For funding this project, we will take \$8,500.00 from the LaVerne Treichel estate, \$5,000.00 from Scrip and \$15,000.00 from Fund A in the Endowment Fund. This leaves about \$25,000 for the congregation to take care of. We will have a special offering from June 19th to September 11th. Also, a member and his wife who wish to remain anonymous, have offered to loan whatever we need as a member loan with no interest and no time limit. If we don't have the \$25,000.00 by September, we don't have to borrow it from the bank. We thank this family for their generous offer. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Duchow at 920-754-4751 or 920-860-9379

- Needed \$25,000.00. We presently have \$ 3,045.00 still needed \$ 21,955.00.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE—JUNE 6-12, 2022

Church Attendance:

Thursday—85, Sunday—9:00 am Service—100, Total: 185

Offerings:

General Fund: \$ 6,819.76 Synod \$ 78.00, MLHS \$ 129.00 —Total \$ 7,026.76

Special Offerings:

Building Fund: \$ 1,470.00 (needed each week \$2,312)

MLC Scholarship \$ 1,950.00

MLHS Scholarship Fund—\$ 1,200.00

Heating System—\$ 15.00

Ministry Reserve—\$ 123.25

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| SJSJ Building Fund Account | | |
| May 2022 | | |

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| 05/01/2022 | | \$29,706.86 |
| <u>Deposits</u> | | |
| In Honor Of/Memorials | \$210.00 | |
| 5/3/2022 | \$2,642.00 | |
| 5/9/2022 | \$1,000.00 | |
| 5/17/2022 | \$3,300.00 | |
| 5/24/2022 | \$610.00 | |
| 5/31/2022 | \$1,480.00 | |
| Electronic Offerings | \$1,060.00 | |
| School Choice | \$4,088.00 | |
| Total Deposits | \$14,390.00 | |
| <u>Withdrawals</u> | | |
| Member Loan Interest Payments | \$2,025.00 | |
| Transfer to Loan (May Payment) | \$4,685.00 | |
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| School Choice (Principal Payment) | \$4,088.00 | |
| Total Withdrawals | \$15,483.00 | |
| Ending Balance | | \$28,613.86 |

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| Outstanding DSB Loan Balance for Building Project |
| \$861,574.15 |

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| Outstanding MEMBER Loan Balance for Building Project |
| \$380,000.00 |