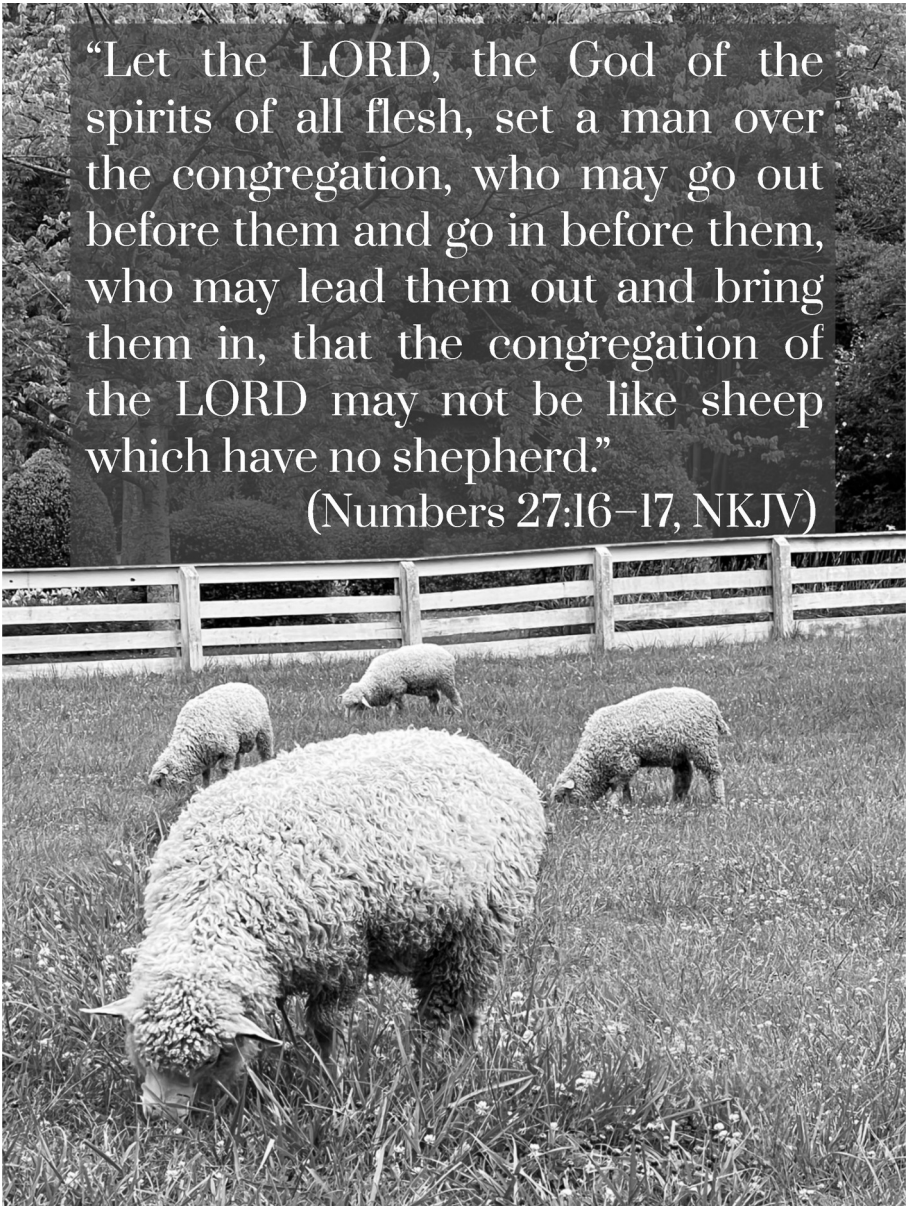


“Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation, who may go out before them and go in before them, who may lead them out and bring them in, that the congregation of the LORD may not be like sheep which have no shepherd.”

(Numbers 27:16–17, NKJV)



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As We Gather

Through the Holy Ministry, we see God's compassion for His people. In our Old Testament Reading, Moses is near death and desires that God would provide a new leader so that the people would not wander like sheep who have no shepherd. In His mercy, God raises up Joshua. Today, we pray that the Lord would bless the leaders of our congregation, our church, and its institutions. We pray that He will raise up a new and faithful generation focused on the Word of life. He is always ready to provide for His beloved flock through our Good Shepherd, Jesus.

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

Hymn

277 – I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- 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 birth. 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 Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 145:16; 147:7-11

- P** You open Your hand
C And satisfy the desire of every living thing.
P Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
C Sing praises on the harp to our God,
P Who covers the heavens with clouds, Who prepares rain for the earth,
C Who makes grass to grow on the mountains.
P He gives to the beast its food,
C And to the young ravens that cry.
P He does not delight in the strength of the horse;
C He takes no pleasure in the legs of a man.
P The LORD takes pleasure in those who fear Him,
C In those who hope in His mercy.
P Glory be to the Father and to the Son
C And to the Holy Spirit
P As it was in the beginning
C Is now and will be forever. Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

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


Kyrie Eleison
LORD, HAVE MERCY

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God, we give you thanks and praise; Of
Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son, You
A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord, At



heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing. We wor - ship
bore for us the load of this world's sin. O Lamb of
God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high: Who, with the



You, to You our hearts we raise, Lord God, al -
God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won, Re - ceive our
Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored, With all the



might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—¹² that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the

commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, ¹⁵ having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. ¹⁷ And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²² in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 23

- P** The LORD is my shepherd;
- C I shall not want.**
- P** He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
- C He leads me beside the still waters.**
- P** He restores my soul;
- C He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.**
- P** Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me;
- C Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.**
- P** You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
- C You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.**
- P** Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life;
- C And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-44

³⁰ Then the apostles gathered to Jesus and told Him all things, both what they had done and what they had taught. ³¹ And He said to them, "Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." For there were many coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat. ³² So they departed to a deserted place in the boat by themselves. ³³ But the multitudes saw them departing, and many knew Him and ran there on foot from all the cities. They arrived before them and came together to Him. ³⁴ And Jesus,

when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things. ³⁵ When the day was now far spent, His disciples came to Him and said, “This is a deserted place, and already the hour is late. ³⁶ Send them away, that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy themselves bread; for they have nothing to eat.” ³⁷ But He answered and said to them, “You give them something to eat.” And they said to Him, “Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?” ³⁸ But He said to them, “How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” And when they found out they said, “Five, and two fish.” ³⁹ Then He commanded them to make them all sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in ranks, in hundreds and in fifties. ⁴¹ And when He had taken the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to His disciples to set before them; and the two fish He divided among them all. ⁴² So they all ate and were filled. ⁴³ And they took up twelve baskets full of fragments and of the fish. ⁴⁴ Now those who had eaten the loaves were about five thousand men.

Alleluia

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

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

Confession of Faith

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.

Hymn

376 – Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Sermon Text

Numbers 27:12-23

¹² Now the LORD said to Moses: “Go up into this Mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given to the children of Israel. ¹³ And when you have seen it, you also shall be gathered to your people, as Aaron your brother was gathered. ¹⁴ For in the Wilderness of Zin, during the strife of the congregation, you rebelled against My command to hallow Me at the waters before their eyes.” (These are the waters of Meribah, at Kadesh in the Wilderness of Zin.) ¹⁵ Then Moses spoke to the LORD, saying: ¹⁶ “Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation, ¹⁷ who may go out before them and go in before them, who may lead them out and bring them in, that the congregation of the LORD may not be like sheep which have no shepherd.” ¹⁸ And the LORD said to Moses: “Take Joshua the son of Nun with you, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand on him; ¹⁹ set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation, and inaugurate him in their sight. ²⁰ And you shall give some of your authority to him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient. ²¹ He shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall inquire before the LORD for him by the judgment of the Urim. At his word they shall go out, and at his word they shall come in, he and all the children of Israel with him—all the congregation.” ²² So Moses did as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and set him before Eleazar the priest and before all the congregation. ²³ And he laid his hands on him and inaugurated him, just as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.



Sermon

Learn the Lessons of Christian Faithfulness

- I. The Lesson of God’s Perfect Justice
- II. The Lesson of God’s Incredible Grace

Offertory



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re store to me the joy of Your sal -
va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

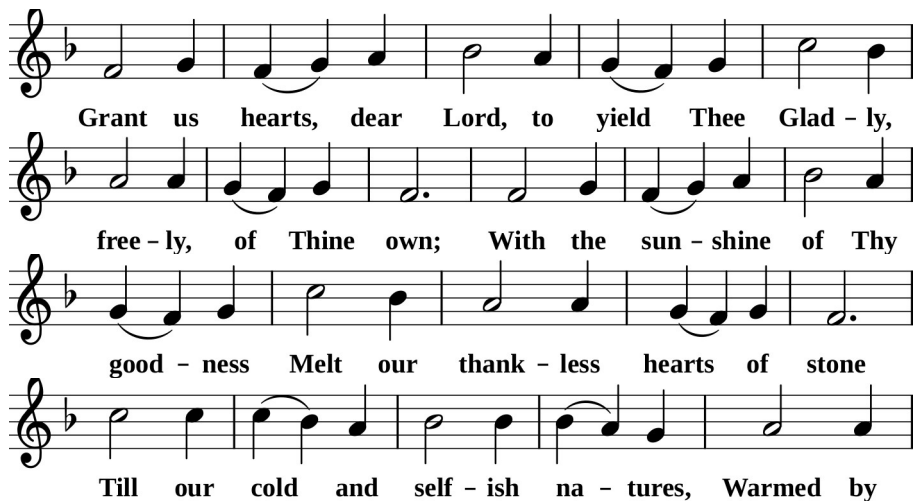
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778 – Grace Has a Thrilling Sound

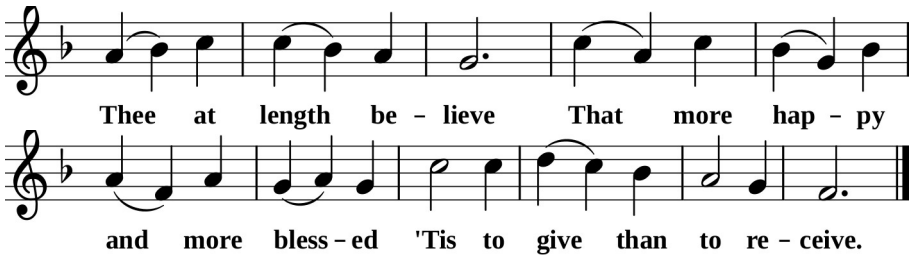
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Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee Glad - ly,
free - ly, of Thine own; With the sun - shine of Thy
good - ness Melt our thank - less hearts of stone
Till our cold and self - ish na - tures, Warmed by



Thee at length be - lieve That more hap - py
and more bless - ed 'Tis to give than to re - ceive.

General Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Hymn

53 – Abide, O Dearest Jesus

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✝ Announcements ✝

Upcoming Schedule

July 21	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:15 am	Divine Service
July 28	8:00 am	Divine Service (Orlando)
	10:15 am	Divine Service (Winter Haven)
August 4	9:15 am	Bible Class
	10:15 am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
	11:30 am	Board of Education/Board of Trustees

Upcoming Meetings: Here is a schedule of our upcoming meetings:

- **August 4** – Board of Education/Board of Trustees
- **September 1** – Board of Elders
- **October 6** – Church Council

Vacation Bible School: VBS was held this past week. We had an average of 24 children each day who had the opportunity to hear God's Word, do crafts, play games, and sing songs. Check out the display in the entry way (Thanks to Megan Goodwin for putting it together!) Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped make it a great week!

2024 CLC Mission Helper Trip East Africa: Fifteen Mission Helpers, along with Missionary and Paula Naumann, are currently proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ to an estimated 6,000 children in Kenya and Uganda, Tanzania, and Zambia. You can follow along through the trip blog at www.2024clcmhteastafrica.blogspot.com. Your prayers are requested and much appreciated.

ManUp! Weekend: Registration is open for the 2024 ManUp! Weekend, which will be held on September 26-29, 2024, 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 31 for the discounted rate of \$75. Registration increases to \$150 on and after September 1st. The registration includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the ManUp! website here: <http://www.manup.clclutheranorg> and clicking on the Registration Form. Sign up today, and spread the word!

Women’s Retreat West: This year’s Women’s Retreat West is scheduled to be hosted by the Women’s Fellowship of St Paul in Bismarck, ND. The dates are September 13-15 (registration closes August 13th.) This year’s theme is: “Be Encouraged, to Excel Still More.” NAS(1 Thessalonians 4:1) “Finally then, brethren, we request and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that, as you received from us instruction as to how you ought to walk and please God (just as you actually do walk), that you may excel still more.” The retreat will begin with a dinner cruise on the Missouri River and include presentations on hospitality, witnessing, mentoring (for all ages), Bible study strategies, creative ideas for journaling, prayer, and memorization, a variety of mini sessions, and optional excursions to the ND Heritage Center and Annual Bismarck Street Fair. To register, or for more information, go to: <https://womensretreat.clclutheran.net/womens-retreat-west/> or contact Sandy Roehl at sroehl@bis.midco.net

CLC News: Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen West, Mountain View, CA and St. Stephen East, Hayward, CA has accepted the call to Messiah Lutheran, Hales Corners, WI following Pastor Michael Eichstadt's retirement in September. <> Pastor Aaron Ude of Good Shepherd in Rapid City, SD has returned the call to Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN. <> Pastor Jim Albrecht of St. John's, Okabena, MN has announced his plans to retire from the ministry at the end of the year.

Fruits of Faith		July 14, 2024	Attendance: WH – 23, ORL – 5	
<u>Immanuel Lutheran Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>		
<i>General Budget</i>		<i>General Budget</i>		
\$749.25	General Budget	\$0.00	CLC General Budget	
\$1,423.00	Weekly Need	\$57.69	Weekly Need	
-\$673.75	-Under / +Over	-\$57.69	-Under / +Over	
\$42,588.30	Year to Date Offerings	\$1,515.00	Year to Date Offerings	
\$39,844.00	Year to Date Need	\$1,615.32	Year to Date Need	
+\$2,744.30	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$100.32	Year to Date (+/-)	
<i>Non-Budgetary</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary</i>		
	Building Fund		ILC Student Aid Fund	
	Property Improvement		ILC Building Fund	
\$5.00	ILC Scholarship Fund		ILC Improvement Fund	
\$10.00	Tuition Grant		Mission Development (MDF)	
\$5.00	Benevolence Fund		Project Kinship	
	Sign Fund		ILC Tour Choir	
	School Fund		Spokesman/Daily Rest	

✠ Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions ✠

July 22-27

Monday: Mark 8:34-38 - Jesus calls to both crowd and disciples. To follow Him is to walk not the way of comfort but of the cross (instrument of death). To avoid the way of the cross is to lose the life that He came to give us.

Tuesday: Acts 16:12-15 – Luke has joined Paul’s group of missionaries and tells how the Lord called to Lydia by the riverbank and opened her heart to receive the Gospel. Both she and her household are baptized, and she wants to serve the cause.

Wednesday: Exodus 3:1-14 – The Lord calls to Moses from a burning bush which is not consumed. It is the right time to answer His people’s cries for help. They will be saved from Egypt through Moses, but it will be the great “I Am” who will save them.

Thursday: Isaiah 54:7-8 – A picture worth repeating: The Lord calls to His people like a bridegroom speaking to His wayward and restored bride. In everlasting mercy He will have compassion on them. He is their Redeemer, the Lord.

Friday: Isaiah 54:9-10 – God calls to His people as He spoke to Noah after the flood. His mercy is everlasting, and even if there is no mountain to set one’s foot upon, yet His mercy will not be removed, His covenant of peace will remain.

Saturday: Isaiah 54:11-13 – The Lord calls to His people as to a ruined city. Even the lowliest parts of your buildings will sparkle with sapphires and rubies. Even your boundaries will shine with precious gems. All your children will be taught by the Lord.

