October 20, 2024

Welcome

The Hymn of Invocation

645 Built on the Rock

- Built on the Rock the Church shall stand Even when steeples are falling.
 Crumbled have spires in ev'ry land; Bells still are chiming and calling,
 Calling the young and old to rest,
 But above all the souls distressed,
 Longing for rest everlasting.
- Surely in temples made with hands God, the Most High, is not dwelling; High above earth His temple stands, All earthly temples excelling. Yet He who dwells in heav'n above Chooses to live with us in love, Making our bodies His temple.
- We are God's house of living stones, Built for His own habitation. He through baptismal grace us owns Heirs of His wondrous salvation. Were we but two His name to tell, Yet He would deign with us to dwell With all His grace and His favor.

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This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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

Amen.

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near to God with a pure heart for "if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not with us.

But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

KyrieSung to: Amazing Grace

Have mercy on your people, Lord. Have mercy, Christ, our King;

Renew us by your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

(Silence for prayers of confession.)

Let us then confess all our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all of our sins. We cling to God's grace in Jesus Christ, and receive with confidence and thanksgiving the full forgiveness of all our sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise sung to: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Glory to God on high, and to the earth God's peace! With thanks God's name we glorify; let gladsome praise increase! With angel hosts we sing your holy name to bless, Almighty Father, heav'nly King, enthroned in holiness.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray: Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptations, defend us against all enemies of Your Word, and bestow on Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament Psalm 46:1-5,7

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Ephesians 2:1-10

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Versesung to: Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Alleluia! Oh, praise the Lord! Forever be God's name adored! Alleluia! God's saving Word Throughout the earth in faith be heard!

The Gospel John 8:34-36

Jesus said, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Hymn of the Day

656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

- A mighty fortress is our God,
 A trusty shield and weapon;
 He helps us free from ev'ry need
 That hath us now o'ertaken.
 The old evil foe
 Now means deadly woe;
 Deep guile and great might
 Are his dread arms in fight;
 On earth is not his equal.
- With might of ours can naught be done,
 Soon were our loss effected;
 But for us fights the valiant One,
 Whom God Himself elected.
 Ask ye, Who is this?
 Jesus Christ it is,
 Of Sabaoth Lord,
 And there's none other God;
 He holds the field forever.
- Though devils all the world should fill,
 All eager to devour us,
 We tremble not, we fear no ill;
 They shall not overpow'r us.
 This world's prince may still
 Scowl fierce as he will,
 He can harm us none.
 He's judged; the deed is done;
 One little word can fell him.
- The Word they still shall let remain
 Nor any thanks have for it;
 He's by our side upon the plain
 With His good gifts and Spirit.
 And take they our life,
 Goods, fame, child, and wife,
 Though these all be gone,
 Our vict'ry has been won;
 The Kingdom ours remaineth.

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Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

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 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

The Prayers [If you need information to send a card or call to someone for whom we prayed, please contact Pastor John.]

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus And for all people according to their needs.

(After each portion of the prayer)

Lord in Your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Our offerings help to support:

MESA - Moving to End Sexual Assault

We give you but your own In any gift we bring; All that we have is yours alone, A trust from you, our king. May we your bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, Lord, as you bless us, To you our first-fruits give.

Choir "Amazing Grace"

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

The Final Hymn

922 Go, My Children, with My Blessing

- Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
 - Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are My own.
 - In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
 - Go, My children, with My blessing— You are My own.
- Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
 - Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
 - Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
 - Go, My children, sins forgiven,
 - At peace and pure.

- Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
 - Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
 - Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.
 - Go, My children, fed and nourished,
 - Joyful and free.
- I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace;
 - I the Lord will smile upon you

 - And give you peace:
 - I the Lord will be your Father,
 - Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
 - Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

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Server Schedule

| | 10/20 | 10/27 | 11/3 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | 8:30 | 8:30 | 8:30 |
| Elder | Bill | Dan | Erik |
| Reader | Wanda | Dianna | Karen |
| PowerPoint | Shirley | Gordon | Wanda |
| Organ | Linda | Linda | Linda |
| Audio | Linda R | Edwin | Steve |
| Visuals | Edwin | Amy | Greg |
| | 10:30 | 10:30 | 10:30 |
| Elder | Mike | Greg | Edwin |
| Reader | Karen | Rosemary | Kathy |
| PowerPoint | Erik | Vicki | Cole |
| Audio/Visuals | Hayden/Donovan | Mike/Conor | Hayden/Donovan |
| Counters | Mick/James | Adria/Michelle | John Di/Wayne |
| | Both | Both | Both |
| Altar Guild | No Communion | Monika/Inge | Williams/Koob |
| Altar Flowers | Kluzek | Flower Ministry | Magyar |

Today's altar flowers are given by Erik Kluzek in honor of his wife, Vicki's, birthday and in thanksgiving to God for the blessing she has been to him for the 36 years they've been married.

Birthdays this Week

| 10/21 | Pat Allen |
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| 10/23 | Grant Johnson |
| 10/23 | Walter Knoedlseder |
| 10/23 | Vicki O'Leary |
| 10/23 | Vicki Kluzek |
| 10/25 | Preston Hradecky |
| 10/26 | Ron Childs |
| 10/26 | Asa Wright |

Anniversaries this Week

None on record