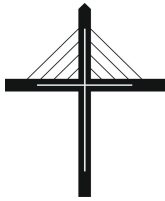


September 6, 2020

You Are Always Welcome Here Just As You Are!



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PRAYER CONCERNS: Homebound: Bob Rank, Kathy Schoembs, Sam Schlegel, Claudia Sauer, Phyllis Ballas, Joanne Hummel, Doris Buchholz (hospice care)
Healing: Sheila MacKay Davidson, Marcene Jackson, Leslie Bean, Heidi Johnson, Don Gurwell, Diane Swartz, Dave Gilbert, Char Bachmayer, Dee Carew, Dave Krouse, Pat Reiber, John Vance, Diane Denhof, Fred Schaefer, Michael Curtis, Cindy Hensley, Sydney Hoffman, Grace Taylor, **Grieving:** The family of Cindy Vaculik, The family of Jacob Gulch, The family of Barbara Keller, The family of Stan Mikolajczyk, The family of Connie Szakovitz, The family of Emma Mcphail, **Military Members:** Ryan Woods, Henry Kozak, Dustin Pawloski, Reid Leslie, **Those in Crisis:** East Coast hurricane victims, California Fire Victims, Tornado victims in the South, Gulf Coast hurricane victims, **Those in our Community of Faith:** Bishop Beaudoin and staff, Bishop Eaton and staff, Memorial Church Staff, Student Katie Leslie, Intern Rebecca West-Estell, Monroe Corridor Parish, Hope Learning Academy teachers and families and all teachers and students in all schools

Worship Leaders – 9:00am Reader- Don Curtis, Worship Assistant-Leslie Rhegenss, Children's Message-Teresa Loga, Presiding Assistant - Amy Horst

11:00am - Reader-Sandy Hill, Worship Assistant-Cindy Bunch
Children's Message-Teresa Loga, Presiding Assistant - Amy Horst

Council Positions - We have two church council positions open: Worship and Youth Chairs. If you are interested in either position and would like more information, please contact Amy Hoffman at 419-367-3033 or at rah3503@gmail.com

Hurricane Relief - If you would like to make a monetary donation to the ELCA Disaster Relief for recent hurricane victims you can log on to their website at elca.org or you can make a check to Memorial Lutheran Church and note it for hurricane relief.

Volunteer Needed -Counter--Contact KJ Hermiller at 419-367-9111.

Rally Day - Next Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 worship, 10:00 Sunday School outside, picnic following 11:00 worship.

Worship- Please wear masks and sit 6 feet apart-as per Governor's requirement during 4Covid19.

Contributions Needed Per Week: \$6,307.25
Contributions Received Last Week: \$1,828.00
Contributions Pledged thru 7-31-2020: \$160,197.73
Contributions Received thru 7-31-2020: \$151,543.68
Attendance Last Sunday 9:00 (80) 11:00 (31)

Sunday Sept 6-- 11 am –Bishop Beaudoin via YouTube

Gather

Welcome

Confession

P. We confess that we have turned away from you, Lord, and your call of discipleship for our lives.

C. Help us to turn away from evil and do good. Help us to seek peace and pursue it.

P. As we listen, help us to hear. As we speak, let your breath carry our speech.

C. Help us to live harmoniously, sympathetically, brotherly, kindheartedly, and humbly in spirit.

P. Let us have the behavior that supports healthy relationships: Speak Directly, speak honestly, speak forthrightly.

C. We confess our sins in communication and in relationships. Sins that perhaps we don't even know that we are committing. Help us to see that we are not always right, but that you are. Open our eyes, our ears, and our mouths to raise up the people we have oppressed. Teach us to love all people, to respect all people, to honor all people. Teach us to elevate the poor, the hungry, the diverse, those that history and society have hurt. Show us opportunities to make their voices heard with equality, and let us all live with equality. Guide us away from elevating ourselves, what has been comfortable, what society has taught in the past that has enslaved our fellow human.

P. Send your Spirit to our hearts and minds that we can be open to see and speak your will in Godly ways. We must turn from evil, do good, seek peace and pursue it. Forgive us, Lord, and lead us in your pathways of truth that embrace our walks of life together. Show us to live with tenderness, love, peace and justice for all people that you have made. Show us to put others first, especially those who we have unjustly put last. Show us that no one has the right to put others down, but we have the opportunity from you to raise each other up. Bless you all with God's forgiveness, go enlightened and refreshed to walk with each other in God's care. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Song "Thy Word is Lamp Unto My Feet"

[Chorus:]

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, And a light unto my path.

1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way.
still you're there right beside me, and nothing will I fear as
long as you are near. Please be near me to the end. [Chorus]

2. I will not forget your love for me, And yet my
heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide and
hold me to your side, and I will love You to the end. [Chorus]

Greeting

P. The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Unity of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

C. And Also with you.

Litany

A. Teach me, Lord, the way of your decrees, that I may follow it to the end. Give me
understanding, so that I may keep your law and obey it with all my heart.

**C. Direct me in the path of your commands, for there I find delight. Turn my
heart toward your statutes and not toward selfish gain.**

A. Turn my eyes away from worthless things; preserve my life according to your word.
Fulfill your promise to your servant, so that you may be feared.

C. Take away the disgrace I dread, for your laws are good. How I long for your
precepts! In your righteousness preserve my life.

C. Teach me, lord the way of your decrees, that I may follow it to the end. Amen.

“Kyrie” ELW 8

Refrain

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.

Kyrie eleison, ev're day.

**For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lod, let us pray to the Lord. Refrain**

**That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Refrain**

**For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;
for life and for love, for our work and our play,**

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Refrain

**For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. Refrain**

Song of Praise “This is the Feast” ELW 8

Refrain

**This is the feast of victory for our God, for the
Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be
people of God. Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and
honor, blessing, and glory are his.**

Refrain

**Sing with all the people of God, and
join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and
the Lamb forever. Amen.**

Refrain

Prayer of the Day

A. O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Readings

R. Ezekiel 33:7-11

7 “Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. 8 When I say to the wicked, ‘You wicked person, you will surely die,’ and you do not speak out to dissuade them from their ways, that wicked person will die for[a] their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood. 9 But if you do warn the wicked person to turn from their ways and they do not do so, they will die for their sin, though you yourself will be saved. 10 “Son of man, say to the Israelites, ‘This is what you are saying: “Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of[b] them. How then can we live?”’ 11 Say to them, ‘As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?’

R. Romans 13:8-14

Love Fulfills the Law

8 Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,”^[a] and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”^[b] 10 Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

The Day Is Near

11 And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. 13 Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. 14 Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.^[c]

Gospel Acclamation

C. Alleluia. In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. Alleluia. (2 Cor. 5:19)

R. Matthew 18:15-20

Dealing With Sin in the Church

¹⁵ “If your brother or sister^[a] sins,^[b] go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. ¹⁶ But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’^[c] ¹⁷ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

¹⁸ “Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be^[d] bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be^[e] loosed in heaven.

¹⁹ “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

Children’s Sermon

Response

Message - Bishop Beaudoin

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

The Prayers of the People

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A: Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need..

A: Unite your church, O God. Grant us the gifts of repentance and reconciliation. Bless the cooperative work of churches in this community. Strengthen ecumenical partnerships; especially, Bishop Beaudoin and staff, Bishop Eaton and Staff, Memorial Church Staff, Student, Katie Leslie, Intern, Rebecca West-Estell, Monroe Corridor Parish, Hope Learning Academy Teachers and families, all teachers and all students in all schools. Guide the work of the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Protect your creation, O God. Teach us ways that do not harm what you have entrusted to our care. Renew and enliven places suffering from drought, flood, storms, or pollution especiall, East Coast Hurricane Victims, California fire victims, tornado victims in the South, and Gulf Coast hruucane victims. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Turn nations and leaders from ways that lead to death. Shape new paths toward peace and cooperation, teaching us to recognize one another as neighbors. Guide legislators, civil servants, judges, and police toward laws that protect the well-being of all. Bless our military members: Ryan Woods, Henry Kozak, Dustin and Pawloski and Reid Leslie. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Tend to all in need of your compassion. Hear the cries of those awaiting justice and those yearning for forgiveness. Give community to the lonely and neighbors to the outcast. Shelter all who are vulnerable in body, mind, or spirit especially, Bob Rank, Kathy Schoembs, Sam Schlegel, Claudia Sauer, Phyllis Ballas, Joanne Hummel, Doris Buchholz (hospice care) Sheila MacKay Davidson, Marcene Jackson, Leslie Bean, Heidi Johnson, Don Gurwell, Diane Swartz, Dave Gilbert, Char Bachmayer, Dee Carew, Dave Krouse, Pat Reiber, John Vance, Diane Denhof, Fred Schaefer, Michael Curtis,

Cindy Hensley, Sydney Hoffman Grace Taylor, Bring closure to Covid19 and heal persons and families from sickness, Be with our economy essential workers and health care professionals. Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

A: Sustain us in our work, O God, and give work to those who need it. Shape societies to ensure fair treatment for all who labor. Help us to love our neighbors in and through our work. Lord, in your mercy, **C:hear our prayer.**

A: We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in faith, especially, Jacob Gulch, Barbara Keller, Cindy Vaculik and Stan Mikolajczyk, Connie Szakovictz and Emme Mcphail. As you equipped them, equip us with your protection and power, until with them we see your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, **C:hear our prayer.**

A: All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy; through Christ our Lord. **C:Amen.**

Announcements

Final Blessing

P. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (*Psalm 121:7–8*) **C. Amen.**

Closing Song “Amazing Grace” ELW 779

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.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Dismissal

A. Go in peace and serve the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God**