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LBW—Lutheran Book of Worship WOV—With One Voice

*** Please stand as you are able**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ringing of the Bell

PRELUDE *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C Amen.

P Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another. Eternal God our creator,

C in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us. In the mercy of almighty God, Christ died for us while we still were sinners; and for his sake, God forgives you all your sins.

C Amen.

HYMN LBW # 517 *Praise to the Father*

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. ⁶And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my

house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. ⁸Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 67

¹May God be merciful to | us and bless us;
may the light of God's face | shine upon us.

²**Let your way be known | upon earth,
your saving health a- | mong all nations.**

³Let the peoples praise | you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁴**Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the na- | tions on earth.**

⁵Let the peoples praise | you, O God;
let all the | peoples praise you.

⁶**The earth has brought | forth its increase;
God, our own | God, has blessed us.**

⁷May God | give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

[Paul writes:] ¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ²⁹for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so

they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

A The Word of the Lord
C **Thanks be to God.**

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** 

Proclaim the Gospel far and wide;
The triumphs of the cross record;
The name of Christ be glorified;
Let ev'ry people call him Lord!

*** GOSPEL: Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28**

[¹⁰[Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: ¹¹it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." ¹²Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" ¹³He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." ¹⁵But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." ¹⁶Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?

(please stand as you are able)

¹⁸But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."]
²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she

came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her,

"Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P The Gospel of our Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN LBW # 389 *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

SERMON

HYMN LBW # 499 *Come, Thou Fount (you may remain seated)*


*** APOSTLES' CREED** *(please stand as you able)*

C 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

TITHES AND OFFERINGS *Shelter Me, Lord* -Anthony Godsey & Marv Mt.Castle

OFFERTORY *(you may remain seated.)* 

Lord, bless the gifts our hands have brought;
Lord, bless the work our hearts have planned.
Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
The rest, O God, is in your hand.

THE PRAYERS *(you may remain seated)*

A Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A Unite us, O God, so that all who worship receive assurance and nourishment by faith. Rescue those who suffer from religious persecution. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Teach us, O God, so that the holy mountains and peaceful valleys of your good creation can be restored to the health you intend. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Empower us, O God, to advocate for those on the margins. Open the hearts of leaders in every nation to serve those who are most vulnerable. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Rouse us, O God, to praise you with gladness. We give thanks for musicians, worship leaders, intercessors, those who prepare the communion table, and all who make our worship express our joy. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We give you thanks, O God, for the saints who have deepened our lives of prayer. Gather us with them in endless praise of you. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P Equip us, O God, with your love for our brothers and sisters. Heal the sick, comfort the grieving, feed the hungry, and calm those in distress (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.

C Amen

*** LORD'S PRAYER** *(please stand as you able)*

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to 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

BENEDICTION

HYMN LBW # 559 *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

POSTLUDE *A Time for New Beginnings*

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Altar flowers

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Shirlee Mires Fejes in loving memory of Ray & Melle Land.

Wedding

God's blessings to Ben Robbins and Jessica Hamet who were married here yesterday!

Congratulations!

Congratulations and God's blessings to Adam & Leah (Rickenberg) Budke on the birth of a son, Eli Thomas. Eli is the grandson of Ruth Imbrock and Terry Hershberger.

Newsletter

The deadline for the September newsletter is noon tomorrow. Please be sure that all your meetings are on the calendar by that time. Thank you!

Coffee Hour

Please plan to stay after worship for some refreshments and fellowship in the overflow area. Thank you to our hosts, the Choir altos and basses. Next week's hosts: Choir sopranos and tenors.

The Coffee Hour on Sunday, September 3, will be "*Sundaes on Sunday*"!!! You don't want to miss this!!!!

Choir Party

We are having a party to kick off the fall choir season! This end of summer event will be held at the home of Mark and Angela Tonjes on Wednesday, August 30, at 6:00 p.m. The address is J664 State Route 109, Malinta. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be served, choir members bring a dish of food to share and your spouse/friend/children. We will practice a few songs.

Have YOU thought about joining us this year? We promise you will have fun, and we would love to have you!

Caring Corner — July and August ** SCHOOL SUPPLIES **

70-sheet wire-bound notebooks	highlighters
30-centimeter rulers	glue sticks
pencil sharpeners	plastic pencil boxes or pouches
blunt scissors	dry erase markers
blue or black pens	Clorox wipes
16- or 24-count crayons	hand sanitizer
2 ½ in. erasers	3 x 5 index cards
	backpacks and/or the LWR bags

Serving Today

Pastor James L. Castello
 Worship & Music Coordinator & Organist - Angela Tonjes
 Bell Choir Director - Bill Panning
 Lay Assistant - Ronnie Rohrs
 Sound Board - Laura Ellis
 Acolytes - Carter Burken and Elijah Wolf
 Ushers - Jeff Sharpe, Lori Sharpe, Lenny Sonnenberg, Lana Sonnenberg
 Altar Guild - Wendy Schroeder & Elaine Borstelman
 Prayer Chain Co-ordinator - Carol Castello (419-592-0847) or cjcast@yahoo.com

Rally Day — September 10

The first day of Sunday School – and our Rally Day – will be Sunday, September 10.
 Please MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Readers and Sound Board operators

Sign up sheets for readers and sound board operators for September/October/November are hanging on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please check which Sunday(s) you are able to volunteer and sign up. Thank you so much for your service! If you have any questions, please talk to Holly Mohring or Betty Mowery.

Activity Bags

Activity/Busy/Church bags are available on the coat trees at each entryway and in the balcony. Please feel free to take one for your child to enjoy during the worship service, and then return it to the tree afterward. All are welcome to our service, as “it is better to have a child wiggle in church than to wiggle out of it.”

Statistics

8/10 Attendance 53 8/13 Attendance 92 communed 85
 Simply Giving 8/07-8/13: \$130 Gen Fd; \$45 Bldg Fd; \$25 Wrld Hngr; \$25 Good Sam Fd

This Week

Monday	noon	Newsletter deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Soul Food
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Friday		Wedding rehearsal
Saturday	2:30 p.m.	Pease/Baker wedding

Altar Guild

If you would like to serve on the altar guild for next year, please contact Barb Hoffman 419-267-3433. We are in need of one person for the months of February/August; one for March/December; and one for April/October.

Lutheran World Relief

On the Caring Corner table there are instructions for the different LWR kits (Personal Care, Baby, Fabric, School). We are also in need of drawstring backpacks to include with the School kits, and those instructions are on the Caring Corner table as well. The kits must be turned in to the Caring Corner table by October 1, 2017. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Slee 419-966-4896.



“If you see yourself as a little sinner, you will inevitably see Jesus as a little Savior.”
 -Martin Luther

Did you know...

Even though Luther did not always mind that people called his followers “Lutherans,” he preferred to think of all believers as “Christians.” In German-speaking areas, the usual designation is “*evangelisch*” – that is, people oriented toward the gospel.