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rich food, a feast of well aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged
wine well refined.**

Isaiah 25:6

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✠ **Order of Divine Worship** ✠

OPENING RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Is. 61:10, Ps. 146:2

P I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

C I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God,

P For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

C He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

P As a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: TLH #616:1-4

“Forever With the Lord”

P We begin our Savior’s worship service today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C ♪ **A - - - men.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION:

We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C ♪ **Who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C *♩* **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C *♩* **A - - - men.**

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father"

C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 22:17

Alleluia. The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." Let the one who hears say, "Come." Let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our life.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P Let us pray . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - - - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Isaiah 25:6-9 On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. ⁷ And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. ⁸ He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹ It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

EPISTLE READING – Philippians 4:4-13 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. ⁵ Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; ⁶ do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ What you have

learned and received and heard and seen in me-- practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

P This is the Word of the LORD.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles. We boldly confess what God has taught us to believe.

**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 OF THE DAY: WS #799

"This Is the Feast of Victory"

SERMON – Matthew 22:1-14 And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, ² "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, ³ and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.'" ⁵ But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. ⁷ The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore to the main roads and invite

to the wedding feast as many as you find.' ¹⁰ And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹ "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. ¹² And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen."

“Who wouldn’t want to attend this Wedding Feast!?”

OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.

C 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 Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -



tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

SERMON HYMN: TLH #613

“Jerusalem the Golden”

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –

Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #788:1

1. Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.

PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER, and BENEDICTION

P The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

G  Amen, amen, a – men.

CLOSING HYMN: TLH #616:5-8

“Forever With the Lord”

✠ Announcements ✠

After-Word devotions will not be sent out for the next two months or so as Pastor Weis moves and gets settled in to his new congregation in Lemmon, SD. Once he is settled, he plans on resuming his devotion series.

2018 CLC Mission Helper Trip to Africa

– Applications are being accepted for the 2018

Mission Helper Trip to Africa. If you have questions about this trip, feel free to ask Jess Rodebaugh about her experience there. You can find more information and apply online at: www.mht.lutheranmissions.org/

Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **Oct. 15:** Bds. of Ed and Elders
- ✠ **Oct. 16-20:** No School
(Teachers’ Conference)
- ✠ **Oct. 27:** ILS Family Fall Fest
- ✠ **Oct. 29:** Reformation Sunday
(Potluck)

ILS Family Fall Fest is coming up on Friday, October 27 at 6:30 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity for both members of the church and families from the school to get together and enjoy one another's company. All are invited—and encouraged!—to attend. At the Fall fest, school parents will be setting up and running carnival style games for the children. Please consider attending this fun-filled evening!

Delegate's Conference in Dallas, TX this past Monday and Tuesday was a success. Our congregation was represented by Pastor Rodebaugh and Delegate Steve Goodwin. Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck also took the trip down with Sharon in order to attend. Several papers were presented, and much was presented and discussed regarding ongoing talks between the WELS, ELS, and CLC. These talks are still very preliminary in nature and do not mean we are reaching fellowship (or necessarily close). There remain significant doctrinal differences between the synods that need to be acknowledged and rectified. The Conference also wrote up and sent a Memorial to the CLC Convention regarding the talks between the three synods. If you have more specific questions, feel free to speak with Pastor or Steve.

Last Week (10/08) Attendance: Winter Haven – 52

General = \$725 | Building Fund = \$30 | Transition Fund = \$10 |
Total Offering = \$765

**Usher: Moorehead | Acolyte (10/22): Matthew
Cleaner (10/21): Ireland**

Welcome!

If you are curious about what we believe and teach... At your convenience the Pastor is ready to arrange free Bible instruction classes at your home or at church for you and your family so that you may be sure of eternal life.

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