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10th Sunday of Pentecost

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*"He will provide
the way of escape."*

ESCAPE



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PRE-SERVICE MEDITATION

Psalm 12

¹ Remember Save, O LORD, for the godly one is gone; for the faithful have vanished from among the children of man. ² Everyone utters lies to his neighbor; with flattering lips and a double heart they speak. ³ May the LORD cut off all flattering lips, the tongue that makes great boasts, ⁴ those who say, "With our tongue we will prevail, our lips are with us; who is master over us?" ⁵ "Because the poor are plundered, because the needy groan, I will now arise," says the LORD; "I will place him in the safety for which he longs." ⁶ The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times. ⁷ You, O LORD, will keep them; you will guard us from this generation forever. ⁸ On every side the wicked prowls, as vileness is exalted among the children of man.

✠ Order of Divine Worship ✠

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: TLH #318

"Before Thee, God, Who Knowest All"

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

C *♫* A - - - men.

CONFESSON 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. 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.

INTROIT

Ps. 55:1ff

A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.

P I call to God, and He hears my voice; He redeems my soul in safety.

C **Cast your burden on the LORD, and He will sustain you.**

P Give ear to my prayer, O God, and hide not Yourself from my plea for mercy!

C **My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death have fallen upon me.**

P Fear and trembling come upon me, and horror overwhelms me.

C **But I call to God, and the LORD will save me.**

GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory be 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.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The first system covers the lyrics 'Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;'. The second system covers the lyrics '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

Ps. 88:1

P Alleluia. O LORD, God of my salvation; I cry out day and night before you! Alleluia.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord"

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

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

TLH #237:1

C All glory be to God on high, Who hath our race befriended! To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended. God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall reign on earth again; O thank Him for His goodness!

P Let us pray. ... You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C A - - - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Proverbs 16:1-9 The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the LORD. ² All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the LORD weighs the spirit. ³ Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established. ⁴ The LORD has made everything for its purpose, even the wicked for the day of trouble. ⁵ Everyone who is arrogant in heart is an abomination to the LORD; be assured, he will not go unpunished. ⁶ By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for, and by the fear of the LORD one turns away from evil. ⁷ When a man's ways please the LORD, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. ⁸ Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues with injustice. ⁹ The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps.

GOSPEL READING – Luke 16:1-13 He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of

your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³ And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶ He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷ Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' ⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings. ¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed is a summary of Christian faith as taught by the Apostles.

**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.

SERMON – 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵ Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness. ⁶ Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷ Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸ We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹ We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰ nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹ Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹² Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³ No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

If You Think You Stand Firm, Re-check Your Balance

- I. Realize that you too can fall
- II. Pay attention to the warning signs
- III. Reach out to Christ for support

OFFERTORY

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

☞ **♫ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**


HYMN: TLH #265:1, 3-5 "Thine Honor Save, O Christ, Our Lord"

- OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS –


Followed immediately by the Offering Hymn printed below:

OFFERING HYMN: TLH #788:1

“Lord, You Love...”

- C**  **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.
- C**  **Amen, amen, a – men.**

CLOSING HYMN: TLH #321

“O Faithful God, Thanks Be to Thee”

✠ Announcements ✠

The Boys Bathroom needs a new floor drain for our school to receive a passing grade, per the Florida Health Department. We hope to break ground soon, but this will be a rather expensive fix. We ask that you would prayerfully consider donating to assist with the cost. This, in addition to the AC unit installed in the parsonage last year, brings our **Property Improvement** fund to a deficit of about **\$3,000**. We are also in need of **petty cash** with the new school year around the corner.

Looking Ahead...

- ✠ **Aug. 14:** School Began
- ✠ **Today:** Education Sunday
- ✠ **Aug. 25:** Orlando Service 8 am
- ✠ **Sept. 1:** Bible Class and Sunday School Begin | 9:15 am
- ✠ **Sept. 1:** Ladies of Immanuel

The Time Before Worship is very sacred to many within our congregation. For fifteen or so minutes before each service, we have members who like to sit and pray or meditate on Scripture before the service. Just as it is advisable to stretch before running a race, it is also beneficial to have this period of quiet contemplation before the service. Out of respect for those who wish to get ready for the service in this way, we ask that you please keep your conversations confined to the hallway,

or that you converse in a quiet manner, mindful of those around you. Thank you!

Recent Disbursements have been made from the Benevolence Fund, bringing our balance in the fund to \$346. To have assistance readily available for member families in need, we ask that you would consider contributing to this fund.

CLC Call News Miss Miriam Bernthal has accepted the call to be full time preschool teacher at Faith, Markesan, WI and also to help other teachers as much as possible.

Young People in Need As overseas mission opportunities continue to grow, so does the need for U.S. sponsors. Can you help? The CLC KINSHIP Committee is seeking sponsors for a group called “Myanmar Children’s Assistance” as well as seminary students at the new Wartburg Theological Seminary of Tanzania. Please contact Dan Roehl (507-381-2042 or danroehl@hotmail.com) for more information regarding these sponsorships.

CLC Southeastern Women's Retreat registration is due September 1st. Registration information can be found on the forms in the church entryway or online at www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net. The retreat is November 1-3 this year in Myrtle Beach.

Shut-in/Encouragement List **Emily Kuehne** suffers from total blindness and severe knee pain when standing or walking. **Patti Meno** continues to receive treatment for her kidney condition and is awaiting a transplant. **Bill Issitt III** remains mostly housebound while recovering from several health problems. **Johanna Jaehnigen** remains mostly housebound, being no longer able to drive. **Crystal Shaw** has many blood clots in her heart, lungs, and legs, and is receiving treatment to prevent a heart attack. **Bill Hartmann’s** health is deteriorating. Please keep Bill and Liz in your prayers. **Bill Issitt Sr.** is recovering at home from surgery. **Loye Issitt** is at home and receiving regular dialysis.

Last Week (8/11) WH – 34 Orlando – 17

General = \$861 | Property Improvement = \$380 | Benevolence = \$50
Total Offering = \$1,291

August Usher: Mike Sheffield

| **Cleaning (8/24):** Ireland

| **Acolyte (8/25):** Grant R.