

## Memory Verses of the Week

*By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.*

+ Romans 6:3-4



*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Father's Day  
June 21, 2020- 10:00 a.m.*

## ST. JOHN EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

### OUR VISION:

*We envision a world fed and led by God.*

### OUR MISSION:

*Fed and led by God, we live as a neighbor - in the West Central community, the city of Fort Wayne, and all the world.*

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS  
MONDAY & FRIDAY  
IN OFFICE 8:00 AM-2:00 PM  
TUESDAY-THURSDAY (REMOTELY)  
8:00 AM-3:00 PM**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Father's Day**  
**June 21, 2020**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**P** = Presiding Minister; **A** = Assisting Minister; **C** = Congregation

**GATHERING**

**Prelude**.....*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* - Paul Manz  
(tune: Lassat Uns Mit Jesu Ziehen)

**Ringing of the Church Bells**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, † one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

*(silence is kept for reflection)*

**P:** Reconciling God,

**C:** **we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead**

**us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

**P:** Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. As a called and ordained minister . . . in the name of the †Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **The Peace**

**P:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*(Please remain in place and maintain physical distancing while you greet those around you in the name of Christ.)*

**Gathering Hymn** ..... **WORSHIP BOOK - 660**  
*“Lift High the Cross”*

### *Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.

Vs 1 Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain*

Vs 2 All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain*

Vs 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain*

Vs 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain*

### **The 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.**

**Song of Praise**..... *“To Him Who Sits on the Throne”*

To him who sits on the throne and unto the Lamb, *(repeat)*  
be blessing and glory and honor and power forever. *(repeat)*

### **The Salutation**

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

### **The Prayer of the Day**

**P:** Let us pray, Teach us, good Lord God,

**C: to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to**

**fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## WORD

**A Rest That Works Video Journey: “Run Hard, Rest Well”**

**Father’s Day Video: “Stuff Dad Never Says”**

**First Reading**.....*Romans 6:1b-11*

<sup>1b</sup>Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For whoever has died is freed from sin. <sup>8</sup>But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel Acclamation** ..... **WORSHIP BOOK - Setting 4 Page 151**

*“Alleluia”*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**The Holy Gospel** ..... *Matthew 10:24-39*

*(spoken) (text for pastor’s sermon)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>24</sup>“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; <sup>25</sup>it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul,

how much more will they malign those of his household! <sup>26</sup>“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. <sup>27</sup>What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. <sup>28</sup>Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>And even the hairs of your head are all counted. <sup>31</sup>So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. <sup>34</sup>“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup>For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; <sup>36</sup>and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. <sup>37</sup>Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; <sup>38</sup>and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. <sup>39</sup>Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon**.....Rev. Paul Offhaus

**Song of the Day** ..... **Worship Book - 697**  
“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

*Refrain*

Just a closer walk with thee,  
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;  
daily walking close to thee,  
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Vs 1 I am weak but thou art strong:  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk,  
let me walk close to thee. *Refrain*

Vs 2 Through this world of toil and snares,  
if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Refrain*

## Apostles' Creed

**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 Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. 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.

**Prayers of the People** (after each petition, please respond as follows):

**A:** Hear us, O God.

**P:** ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C:** Your mercy is great.

**C:** Amen.

**Time of Offering** ..... Meditation on "Crucifer" - Charles Callahan

**Canticle of Thanksgiving** ..... WORSHIP BOOK - 207  
"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise"



Thank-ful hearts and voic-es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done. Let



cv - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re - joice and bear the name of Christ.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

## Thanksgiving for the Word

**P:** Let us pray. Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of

life, O God,

**C: we give you thanks and praise.**

P: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: we give you thanks and praise.**

P: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

**C: we give you thanks and praise.**

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

**C: Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**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.**

**SENDING**

**The Blessing**

**Sending Hymn**..... **WORSHIP BOOK - 661**  
*“I Love to Tell the Story”*

Vs 1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know it's true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else would do.

*Refrain*

I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory  
and tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

Vs 2 I love to tell the story: how pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet!  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy word. *Refrain*

*Refrain*

I love to tell the story; I'll sing this theme in glory  
and tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

**Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**



**THIS WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADERS (6/21)**

Presiding Minister & Preacher .....Rev. Paul Offhaus  
Assisting Minister..... Linda McGahey  
Worship Leader ..... Susan Benesh  
Organist ..... Martin P. Gigler  
Deacon.....  
Ushers..... Darold Heare, Cheryl Kienzle  
Greeters ..... Sam & Hannah Starrick  
Altar Guild..... Bonnie Shurboff (fill oil candles only)  
Media/Sound ..... Jay Heare, Mike McGahey, Pete Newcomb, Lori Paul

**NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADERS (6/28)**

Presiding Minister & Preacher .....Rev. Paul Offhaus  
Assisting Minister..... Steve Rieck  
Organist ..... Martin P. Gigler  
Deacon..... Mike Burris  
Ushers..... Darold Heare, Volunteer Needed  
Greeters ..... Volunteers Needed  
Altar Guild..... Bonnie Shurboff  
Media/Sound ..... Jay Heare, Mike McGahey, Pete Newcomb, Lori Paul

# Lift High the Cross

*Refrain*



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
5 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Refrain*



our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
the hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.  
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.  
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Text: George W. Kitchin, 1827–1912; Michael R. Newbolt, 1874–1956  
Music: CRUCIFER, Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875–1947

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# Just a Closer Walk with Thee

*Refrain*



Just a clos-er walk with thee, grant it, Je-sus, is my plea;



dai - ly walk-ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.



- 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
- 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
- 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;



I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.  
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear . . Lord, none but thee.  
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom. . shore, to thy shore.

*Refrain*

Text: traditional

Music: CLOSER WALK, traditional

# I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,  
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat  
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.  
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!  
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;  
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard  
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.  
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.  
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

## *Refrain*



I love to tell the sto - ry; I'll sing this theme in glo - ry



and tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Text: Katherine Hankey, 1834–1911

Music: HANKEY, William G. FISCHER, 1835–1912