

Again, The Kingdom Of Heaven Is  
Like...

Matthew 13:45



**Sunday, August 2, 2020**

St. John's Lutheran Church, Sherburn, MN

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*Ninth Sunday  
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*Welcome: We are happy that you have joined us for worship.  
May your worship of the living Lord enrich your faith and fill  
your life with the lively hope and lasting joy.*

## **“God’s Word quenches thirst and satisfies hunger”**

(Setting one, LSB pg. 151)

### **Opening Hymn** *“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” #873*

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only light,  
Sun of righteousness arise; triumph o’er the shades of night,  
Day-spring from on high, be near; day-star, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee;  
Joyless is the day’s return till Thy mercy’s beams I see,  
Till they inward light impart, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine, pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
Fill me, radiance divine, scatter all my unbelief;  
More and more Thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

### **Invocation**

Pastor(P): In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

### **Congregation(C): Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

### **Confession & Absolution**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our father.

**C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **Introit** *Psalm 136:1-9*

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: Give thanks to the God of gods.

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: Give thanks to the Lord of lords:

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: To Him who alone does great wonders,

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: who by His understanding made the heavens,

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: who spread out the earth upon the waters,

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: who made the great lights -

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: The sun to govern the day,

**C: His love endures forever.**

P: the moon and stars to govern the night,

**C: His love endures forever.**

**All: 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.**

### **Kyrie (Canted and sung)**

Leader (L): In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: (SUNG) Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: **A - men.**

**Hymn of Praise** *"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God" LSB #712*

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness.

And all these things shall be added unto you! Allelu, alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,  
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

Man does not live by bread alone, but by ev'ry word  
That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Allelu, alleluia!

**Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, though we do not deserve Your goodness, still You provide for all our needs of body and soul. grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your gifts, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** *Isaiah 55:1-5 (Listen diligently to Me, and eat what is good.)*

**1**"Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. **2**Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. **3**Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. **4**See, I have made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander of the peoples. **5**Surely you will summon nations you know not, and nations that do not know you will hasten to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor."

**Gradual**

P: Oh, the depth of riches and the wisdom and knowledge of God!

C: **How unsearchable His judgements, and His paths beyond tracing out!**

P: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

C: **To Him be the glory forever! Amen.**

**Epistle Reading** *Romans 9:1-5 (Paul anguishes over the people of Israel)*

**1**I speak the truth in Christ--I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit-- **2**I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. **3**For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, **4**the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. **5**Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

**Alleluia and Verse**

**ALL: Alleluia. Alleluia. Jesus replied, "If anyone loves Me, he will obey My teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him." Alleluia.**

**Holy Gospel** *Matthew 14:13-21 (Jesus feeds the five thousand)*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C: **(SUNG) Glory to You, O Lord.**

**13**When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. **14**When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

**15**As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

**16**Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

**17**"We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

**18**"Bring them here to me," he said. **19**And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and look-

ing up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.

**20**They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. **21**The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: (SUNG) Praise to You, O Christ.**

#### **Fourth Petition Of The Lord's Prayer**

**ALL: Give us this day our daily bread.**

P: What does this mean?

**C: God certainly gives us daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.**

P: What is meant by daily bread?

**C: Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.**

#### **Children's Message** *"Come and get it – for free!"*

#### **Hymn Of The Day** *"Now Thank We all Our God" #895*

Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices.  
Who wondrous things has done, in whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms has blest us on our way  
With countless gifts of love and still is ours today.

Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us  
And keep us in His grace and guide us when perplexed  
And free us from all ills in this world and the next!

(Please rise) All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;  
For thus it was is now, and shall be evermore.

#### **The Message** *"Trust God To Enable You To Help Others!"*

#### **Hymn** *"Shepherd of Tender Youth" #864 (verses 1 and 4)*

Shepherd of Tender youth, guiding in love and truth  
Through devious ways; Christ our triumphant king,  
We come Your name to sing and here our children bring  
To join Your praise.

O ever be our guide, our shepherd, and our pride,  
Our staff and song. Jesus, O Christ of God,  
By Your enduring Word lead us where You have trod;  
Make our faith strong.

#### **Prayers of the Church**

##### **Sacrament**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, ever lasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day over came death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and arch-angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify praising You and saying:

**C: (SUNG) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

##### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy On those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name

and remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, new, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us to do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **The Words of Our Lord**

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples And said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in Remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given Thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, In remembrance of Me."

#### **Pax Domini**

P: The peace of the Lord be with You always.

**C: Amen.**

#### **AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)**

**All: (SUNG) Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

#### **Distribution Hymns**

*"Your Table I Approach" #628*

Your table I approach; dear Savior, hear my prayer.

Let not an unrepentant heart prove hurtful to me there.

Lord, I confess my sins and mourn their wretched bands;

A contrite heart is sure to find forgiveness at Your hands.

Your body and Your blood, once slain and shed for me,  
Are taken at Your table, Lord, in blest reality.

Search not how this takes place, this wondrous mystery;  
God can accomplish vastly more than what we think could be.

O grant, most blessed Lord, that earth and hell combined  
May not about this sacrament raise doubt within my mind.

Oh, may I never fail to thank You day and night  
For Your true body and True blood, O God, my peace and light.

#### ***"I Come, O Savior, To Thy Table" LSB #618***

I come, O Savior, to Thy table, for weak and weary is my soul;  
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able to satisfy and make me whole:  
Lord, may Thy body and thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning that sinners may salvation see  
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; so I, a sinner, come to Thee.  
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

Unworthy though I am, O Savior, because I have a sinful heart,  
Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, for Thou my faithful shepherd art:  
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

Weary am I and heavy laden; with sin my soul is sore oppressed;  
Receive me graciously and gladden my heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base;  
It is the strength of heart and spirit, the covenant of hope and grace.  
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

#### ***"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" LSB #711***

Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need Your tender care.  
In Your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Your fold prepare.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.

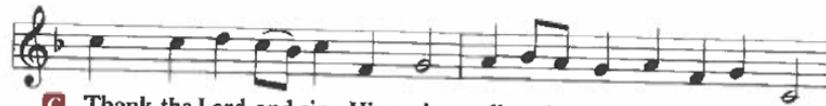
We are Yours; in love befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear us children when we pray.  
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You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
You have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to You.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to you.

Early let us seek Your favor, early let us do Your will;  
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Your love our spirits fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, You have loved us, love us still. POST-

### Communion Canticle "Thank the Lord"

#### Thank the Lord



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



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

#### Post Communion Collect

#### Benediction

#### Closing Hymn "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #805

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye Heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**GO IN PEACE AND SERVE THE LORD**

## Take My Moments and My Days

**Wednesday, August 5**

5:00-9:00 pm Sr. High Food.Fun.Faith

**Sunday, August 9**

9:00 am Worship Service

**Attention Youth: Food.Fun.Faith!** Join us for an evening of campfire, food, singing and Gaga Ball along with Will from Camp Omega! Meet 5:00-9:00 pm at Kosbab's on the lake @ 1059 Martin Road, Welcome.

Wednesday, August 5 will be for Sr. High youth 9th-12th

Wednesday, August 19 will be for Jr. High youth 7th-8th

**The LWML Gifts from the Heart** is for the Correctional Ministry which helps Christian men and women who have been recently released from prison. The ministry provides housing, jobs, referrals to treatment, welcoming congregations, etc. Until they receive their first paycheck, they have some needs: The LWML is collecting the following items:

- ◆ Used good condition backpacks, duffle bags or luggage
- ◆ Tide pods
- ◆ Socks—men/women tube or crew socks (black or white)
- ◆ Food—complete meal non perishable such as soup, spaghetti, ramen noodles, peanut butter, jelly
- ◆ Bibles



**Prayers:** Tom Wescott, LaVerna Diekmann

**Coping With Cancer:** Nathan Behne, Andrea Mileham, Barb Johnson, Cindi Crissinger, Lori Koerselman, Julie Krogman, Donna Nawrocki, Paul Overgaard, Elsie Swanson, Shelly Callahan, Gary

Maday, Ginny Anderson, Georgia Holtz, Larry Norem, Lacy McNicol, Roger Spiegeler, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Robert Ziemer, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

**Care List:** Carroll Behne, Theodore Carnehl, Jan Manzey, Ryder Antony, Joyce Reigel, Reinold Hagen, Verna Bliesmer, Angie Leiding, Les Anderson, Taylor Antony, Dan Hanson, Marian Youngwirth, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Butch Pierson, Reinold Hagen, Joyce Hansen Picken, Lorraine Gagnon, Sammie Moeller, Whitney Kassner, Linda Chase, Lois Anderson, Adam Janssen, Helen Roebbeke, Bob Sherman, Bob Hoffmeyer, Marcella Brolsma, Bob Brolsma, and those we name in our hearts. *(Please help us keep this care list updated. We would like to know if families would like us to continue to have them on our care list, contact Pastor or the church office.)*

**Members Celebrating Birthdays This Week:** Pat Chase, Isaac Howard, Erin Meyers, Piper Lasch, Knox Larson, Joanne Sathoff, Marlene Thiesse, Abigail Bednarek, Jaime Bliesmer, Doyle Moeller, Brian Vanden Berg, Makena Larson, Marla Anderson, Josh Eisenmenger, Brock Lange, Amy Crissinger, Mike Ringnell, Beulah Rosenberg, Lynn Thate, Deb Keithahn, Whitney Smith, Tracy Steele, Chad Cheeseman, Ann Harris, Marlene Kuntz, Kenny Morris, Kathleen Potts, Haley Sharp

**Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week:** David & Brittaney Anderson, Kurt & Deb Jans, Jerry & Val Gaalswyk, Dan & Katie Klug, Dick & Janet Lepird, Ron & Lana Morris, Randy & Teresa Stahn, Ross & Cindy Bettin, Ross & Melissa Cutler, Nate & Sara Klima

**We Remember** the family and friends of Dean Koehler (brother of Sheri Markquart). Dean was called to his eternal rest on July 25. A graveside service was held at Lake Belt Cemetery, rural Ceylon on July 31.

**We Remember** Joanne Sathoff who will be celebrating her 85th birthday on Monday, August 3. Cards can reach her at 215 E Lawrence Street, Dunnell, MN