



Kingdom people produce
KINGDOM FRUIT

*"The kingdom of God will be ... given to a people
producing its fruits" (Matthew 21:43).*

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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.*

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OPENING HYMN “Open Now Thy Gates Of Beauty” #901 v1-3
(on screen)

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

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

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.

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 fully lived as Your kingdom people. We have not brought forth the fruits of righteousness as we ought. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will, walk in Your ways, and bear kingdom fruit 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 80:7-19

P: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

C: You brought a vine out of Egypt: you drove out the nations and planted it.

P: You cleared the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land.

C: The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.

P: It sent out its branches to the sea and its shoots to the River.

C: Why then have you broken down its walls, so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

P: The boar from the forest ravages it, and all that move in the field feed on it.

C: Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine,

P: The stock that your right hand planted, and for the son whom you made strong for yourself.

C: They have burned it with fire; they have cut it down; may they perish at the rebuke of your face!

P: But let your hand be on the man of your right hand, the son of man whom you have made strong for yourself!

C: Then we shall not turn back from you; give us life, and we will call upon your name!

P: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE “Glory Be to God the Father” #506 v1,2,4 (screen)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; 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 Leviticus 26:3-5

Blessings For Obedience

3" If you follow my decrees and are careful to obey my commands, **4**I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the trees of the field their fruit. **5**Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL (Psalm 34:9)

P: These are they who have come out of the great tribulation;

C: they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

P: Blessed are those whose strength is in you,

C: who have set their hearts on pilgrimage.

EPISTLE READING Galatians 5:22-26

We are to live by the Spirit.

22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23**gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. **24**Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. **25**Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. **26**Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA and VERSE

ALL: (sing) Alleluia. Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL John 15:1-7

"I am the Vine".

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.

1"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. **2**He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. **3**You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. **4**Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

5"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. **6**If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and

burned. **7**If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (sing) Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

All: 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 sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will 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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "God's Young Kingdom Fruit"

HYMN OF THE DAY "Praise, Love, Serve" (Tune of #361)

Our God and Father, made the earth, and when we went astray,
Our God, the Son, descended here to take our sins away.
With His own blood He bought us. He broke the bonds of sin.
Then God the Spirit came into our hearts to dwell within.

In gratitude we pledge ourselves, to Him with all we have.
Our hands will work; our voices sing: Our lips proclaim His love.
His errands we'll do gladly; His Gospel we'll defend;
Our silver and our gold we'll use—His Kingdom to extend.

Wherever He has need of us, We will His call obey.
Whenever He calls out to us, We'll answer right away.
His will is ours that lost souls will turn away from sin
And come to have eternal life through fellowship with Him.

SERMON "Producing Good Fruit"

HYMN "Let the Vineyards be Fruitful" #955 (on screen)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: 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.

P: For the holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League to assist each woman of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world, and to support global missions through the gathering of mites and providing of mission grants, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all Your kingdom people that they may produce kingdom fruit to Your glory and for the expansion of Your kingdom on earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For...(additional bids for prayer may be added here)...Let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your goodness and remembering with thankfulness Your mercies, which are new every morning; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Serve The Lord With Gladness" tune #662 (screen)

Serve the Lord with gladness! It is He alone
Who redeemed us sinners, guides us as His own
To enjoy the blessings of His love and grace.
Will at last in glory meet us face to face.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
"Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name.

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" He gave us command
To proclaim His Gospel now in every land
So that fellow sinners May, like us, be blest.
Leading them to Jesus, we can serve Him best.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
"Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!

"Serve the Lord with gladness!" There's no greater joy
Than to serve the Master, work in His employ.
As we build His kingdom Angels, too, rejoice
Over every sinner brought to hear His voice.
Onward, then, for Jesus! Let this be our aim:
"Serve the Lord with gladness!" Glorify His name!

Go In Peace And Serve The Lord

This Sunday we are recognizing LWML Sunday. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has affirmed each woman's identity as a child of God and her relationship with Jesus Christ. Lutheran Women in Mission are women of faith, empowered for active service in Jesus' name and bold support of missions through Mite Box offerings. As Christians, we have been given the kingdom of God to bear its fruit.

There is a Mite box that has been set out in the front entry for Mites (money that is sent to various mission projects).

Sunday Worship: For the month of October we have returned to 8:00 & 10:30 services with Sunday school at 9:15.

When attending the service, we ask that those attending the 8:00 service to please sit in the pews marked with blue tape. Those attending the 10:30 service please sit in the pew marked with the white tape.

MN South Fall Conference: Pastor Steve and Vicar Jeff will be attending the MN South Fall Pastors' Conference on Monday and Tuesday this week.

LWML will have their October meeting on Wednesday at 2:00 pm.

9th Grade Confirmation class will meet this Wednesday at 5:00 pm and also on the 21st at 5:00 pm. Pictures will be Wednesday the 21st. Rite of Confirmation will be at the 10:30 service on October 25.

Food.Fun.Faith Sr. High FFF is scheduled for today at 11:30-1:00 pm. Friends are welcome.

Greeters Sign Up Sheet: We are looking for volunteers help be greeters at our worship services. Please sign up or contact us at the church office if you are willing to help.

Weekday Wednesday Night Services will be this week and also on the 28th at 6:30 pm with Holy Communion.

Take My Moments And My Days

Sunday, October 11

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship
9:15 am Sunday School/Bible Class
11:30-1:00 pm Sr. High Food Fun Faith

Monday, October 12

Pastor & Vicar at Fall Pastor Conference

Tuesday, October 13

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Wednesday, October 14

2:00 pm LWML
3:45 pm Confirmation
5:00 pm 9th Grade Class
6:30 pm Weekday Worship with Communion

Sunday, October 18

8:00 & 10:30 am Worship with Communion
9:15 am Sunday School/Bible Class



In Our Prayers Gladys Schultz, Korrie Crouch

Coping With Cancer: Diane Beseke, Shirley Skogerboe, Serena Johnson, Marlene Kuntz, Tom Wescott, Bob Blazejak, Nathan Behne, Andrea Mileham, 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 Spiegelger, Cyndi Johnson, Gloria Maschoff, Robert Ziemer, Kay Groth, Perry Caven, Harv Baird

Care List: Terri Ringnell, Kurt Jans, Mary Kay Schultz, Bruce Behne, Steve Luhmann, LaVerna Diekmann, Carroll Behne, Theodore Carnehl, Reinold Hagen, Verna Bliesmer, Angie Leiding, Les Anderson, Taylor Antony, Dan Hanson, Glenna Shanley, Terri Schultz, Butch Pierson, Joyce Hansen Picken, Lorraine Gagnon, Sammie Moeller, Whitney Kassner, Linda Chase, Lois Anderson, Adam Janssen, Helen Roebbeke, Bob Sherman, Bob Hoffmeyer, Marcella Broolsma, Bob Broolsma, 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 Dylan Gregory, Darla Runge, Dawn Weseman, Avarie Amborn, Sara Rosenberg, Axel Ogren, Maxton Meixell, Mersades Ringnell, Penny Claussen, Jordan Yahnke, Liza Flohrs, Zachary Johnson, Harvey Sathoff, Dinita Steuber, Elliot Dahlman, Ava Lutz, Arianna Brantner, Mike Heller, Julie Krogman

Members Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries This Week: Nathan & Heidi Zender

LWML Pledge

In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.