

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Berlin, Wisconsin

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod



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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 6/9, 2020

Serving Us Today:

Pastor Paul Mundinger

Organist: Nancy Wallner

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(To Our Guests: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at St. John Lutheran Church in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. They show forth His death until He comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod and so are unable to receive the Sacrament are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymn and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. Please note that there is a cup of white grape juice in each tray which contains a drop of wine for those who prefer grape juice. Thank you!)

AS WE GATHER... The Gospel stories of Jesus often have a familiarity to us that may diminish what the sacred writer wants us to understand. Simply put, there has never been any individual on this earth like Jesus. He has divine power that can heal the sick, revive the dead, and multiply bread and fish to feed multitudes. And He can even walk on water. Nobody else has ever done that. Only Jesus. As we worship and hear the Gospel account shared today, let us rediscover in Jesus our one and only Savior.

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Pre-Service Music

Ringing of the Bells

Welcome

Confession and Absolution

801 How Great Thou Art



1 O Lord my God, when I in awe-some won - der Con - sid - er
 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
 3 But when I think that God, His Son not spar - ing, Sent Him to
 4 When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might - y
 birds sing sweet - ly in the trees; When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 die, I scarce can take it in— That on the cross my bur - den glad - ly
 home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played;
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 bear - ing He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 ra - tion And there pro - claim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to Thee, How great Thou



art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



Thee, How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

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.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- 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.**

Service of the Word

Introit *Ps. 34:4–8; antiphon: Ps. 34:1*

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
**I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.**

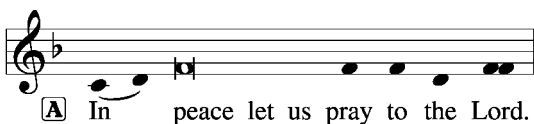
Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.
**This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and delivers them.
**Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!**

**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.**

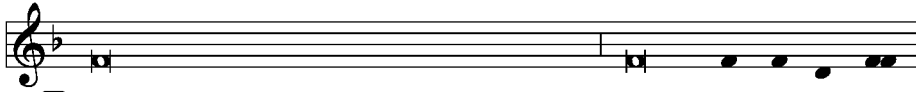
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his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Kyrie *LSB 152*





C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



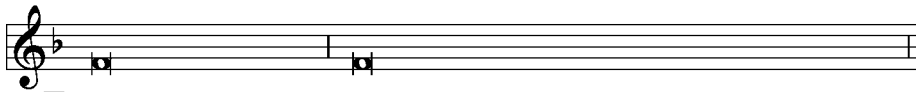
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



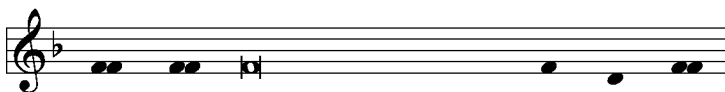
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



G A - men.

This Is the Feast *LSB 155*



G This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



G And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

All Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading *Job 38:4–18 (God tells Job of His lordship over all creation.)*

- ⁴Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
- ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
- ⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone,
- ⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
- ⁸Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb,
- ⁹when I made clouds its garment
and thick darkness its swaddling band,
- ¹⁰and prescribed limits for it
and set bars and doors,
- ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stayed’?
- ¹²Have you commanded the morning since your days began,
and caused the dawn to know its place,
- ¹³that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth,
and the wicked be shaken out of it?
- ¹⁴It is changed like clay under the seal,
and its features stand out like a garment.
- ¹⁵From the wicked their light is withheld,
and their uplifted arm is broken.
- ¹⁶Have you entered into the springs of the sea,
or walked in the recesses of the deep?
- ¹⁷Have the gates of death been revealed to you,
or have you seen the gates of deep darkness?
- ¹⁸Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth?
Declare, if you know all this.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Psalm 18:1– 6 (antiphon: v. 46)*

- ¹I love you, O LORD, my strength.
- ²**The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

³I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

**⁴The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;**

⁵the cords of Sheol entangled me;
the snares of death confronted me.

**⁶In my distress I called upon the LORD;
to my God I cried for help.**

From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.

Epistle *Romans 10:5–17 (Faith comes from hearing the Gospel.)*

⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. ⁶But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Common Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel *Matthew 14:22–33 (Jesus walks on the water on the Sea of Galilee.)*

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

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²²Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

²⁸And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. ³⁰But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Children's Message

715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush
 3 When at last I near the shore And the fear -

tem - pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,
 the o - cean wild; Bois - t'rous waves o - bey Thy will
 ful break - ers roar Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,

Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -
 When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -
 Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear

pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

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Sermon "Who is This Jesus? (Matthew 14:22-33)

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayer of the Church

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, beseeching Him for the gift of peace.

For the Church and all who are called to lives of service to God's people, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the blessing of God upon our nation and its leaders that we lead peaceable lives, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the needs of ourselves and others for healing and restoration, for solace and comfort, (we pray for...) let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: With thanks for the faithful examples set by those whose earthly journeys are complete and whose witness to Christ yet inspires us, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: These things and all else that we should have asked, grant us according to Your gracious will, O Lord, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 160*



P The Lord be with you.



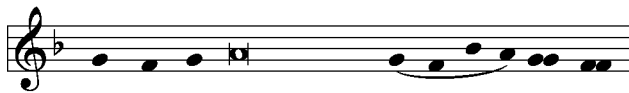
C And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them to the Lord.



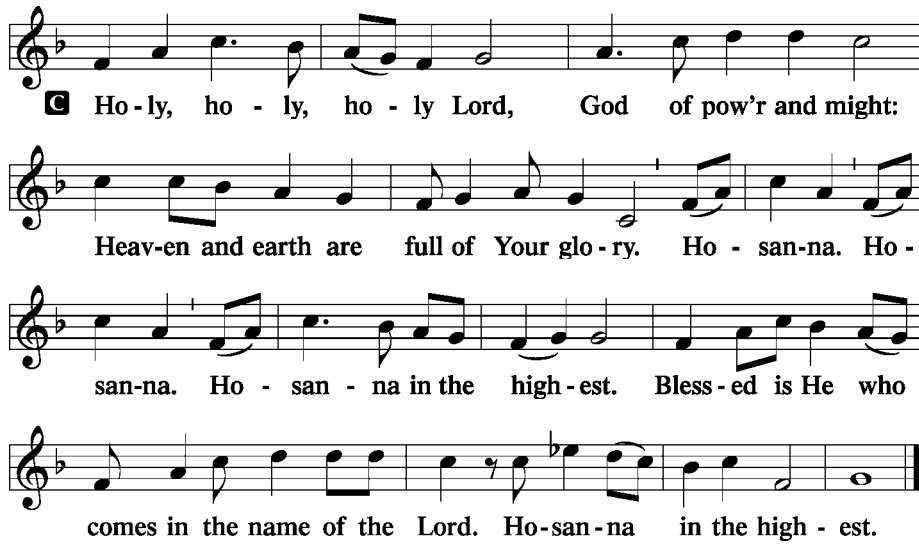
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



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, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus *LSB 161*



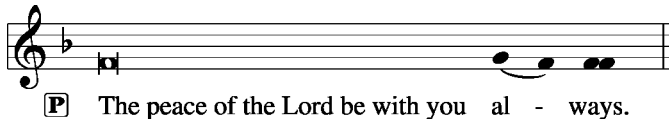
G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 162*

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.

The Words of Our Lord *LSB 162*

Pax Domini *LSB 163*

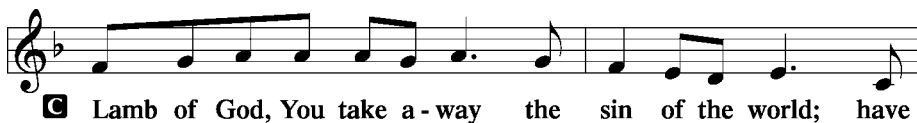


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.

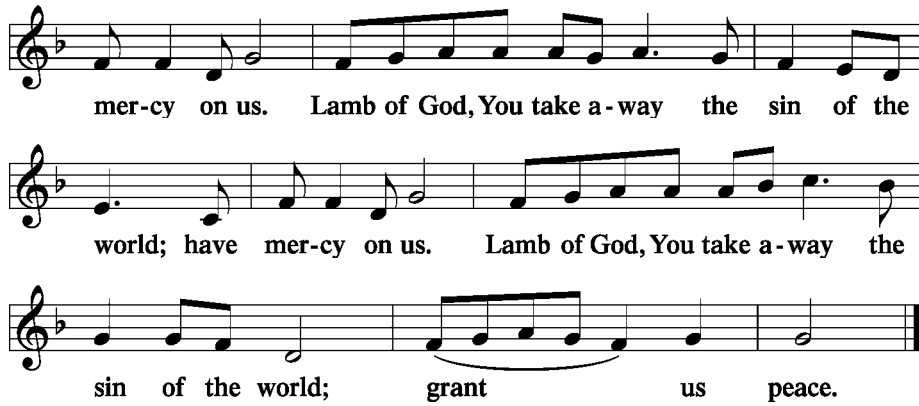


G A - men.

Agnus Dei *LSB 163*



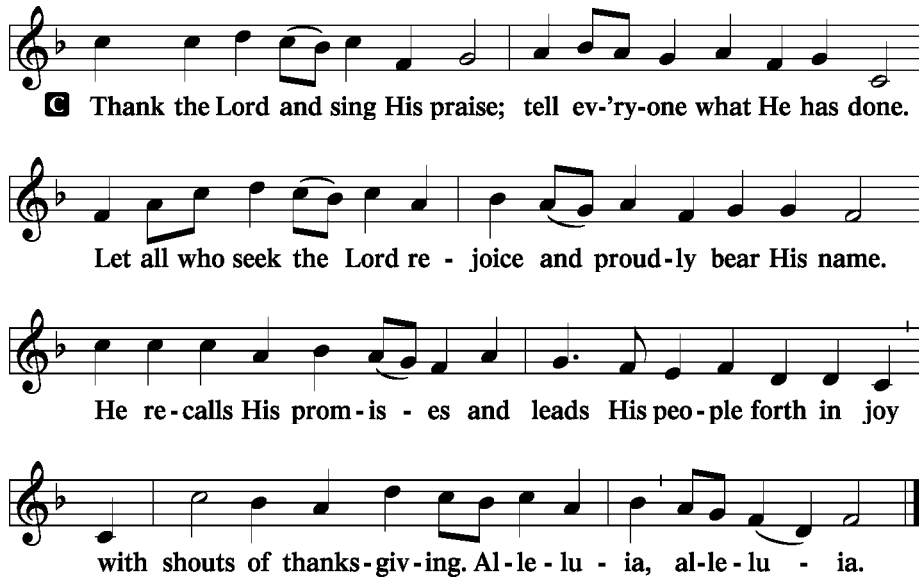
G Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution

Post-Communion Canticle "Thank the Lord" LSB 164



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.
 Let all who seek the Lord re - joice 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.

Benediction

LSB 166

- 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 "This is My Father's World" 3 stanzas sung to LSB #856

This is my Father's world,
 And to my list'ning ears
 All nature sings, and round me rings
 The music of the spheres.
 This is my Father's world;
 I rest me in the thought
 Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
 His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world;
 The birds their carols raise;
 The morning light, the lily white,
 Declare their Maker's praise.
 This is my Father's world;
 He shines in all that's fair.
 In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;
 He speaks to me ev 'rywhere.

This is my Father's world;
 Oh, let me ne'er forget
 That, though the wrong seems oft so strong,
 God is the Ruler yet.
 This is my Father's world;
 Why should my heart be sad?
 The Lord is King, let the heavens ring!
 God reigns; let the earth be glad!

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Attendance Last Week: 116	
General giving last week:	\$9994.00
Budget giving needed:	\$7500.00

Calendar of Activities this week at St. John

10 Monday	Board of Trustees	7:00 pm
11 Tuesday	Board of Education	6:00 pm
11 Tuesday	Board of Elders	6:00 pm
13 Thursday	Worship Service/HC	6:30 pm
16 Sunday	Worship Service/HC	8:00 am
16 Sunday	Worship Service/HC	10:00 am

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FLOWER REMINDER: If you would like to donate or have flowers on the altar at any time for special occasions such as birthday, anniversary, in honor of or memory of for example, feel free to **sign up on the Flower Chart in the card room.** Flowers can be delivered by the local florist or brought in by you and put in the Altar Guild refrigerator. The flowers will be placed on the alter for the worship services."

THE CARD ROOM: The LWML would like to share with new members and remind current members that there are cards for sale in the "Card Room" which is the room where cookies are set up on Sunday mornings. Cards are all \$0.50 each. There are also various craft items for sale. If you make a purchase there is a box in the top file drawer for you to deposit your payment in. The Card Room also has mite boxes available if you would like to take one home to collect your mites. There is also a bulletin board with information about missionaries and seminarians we support as a congregation. If you have any questions please contact an LWML member: Mary Becker, Carol Krause, Karen Vergin Krause, Kelli Munding, Deb Schrader, Dawn Schroeder, Cindy Schuett, or June Richter.

LWML IN-GATHERING: Our LWML South Wisconsin District 2020 Fall Retreat is scheduled for September 11 & 12, 2020 and we need your help! We are asking for donations for our Ingathering to Benefit: Concordia Theological Seminary Food & Clothing Co-op. Items needed are: · Over the counter children medication. ·Diapers. ·Baby wipes. · Baby shampoo and soap. There will be a bin in the card room for you to drop off your donations. Thanks in advance for your help.

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SERMON OUTLINE

August 6/9, 2020

Theme: "Who Is this Jesus?" (Matthew 14:22-33)

I. Fitting Jesus Into Our Categories

- A. We tend to define Jesus _____ and simply.
- B. The man on the plane wanted a Jesus who was always _____.

II. Jesus Is More Complicate Than That

- A. John the Baptist wasn't so _____ about Jesus.
- B. John was _____ by Jesus.
- C. Finally, the disciples make a _____ of faith.
- D. "Surely this is the _____ of _____."

III. Thank God He is More Complicated!

- A. Jesus is bigger and more _____ than something that makes perfect sense to us.
- B. Even though we can't _____ Him sometimes, He's got a firm _____ of you and me.
- C. If you think you failed Him, it's best to _____ Him in the boat.
- D. His hands bear the _____ of His love, the very price of your _____!