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NINETEETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 3, 2021

Welcome: We are glad that you are here or are watching our worship service online. May you be blessed through this time of worship. We pray you find today's service a source of encouragement and strength. For those worshipping in person please take time to register your attendance using the slips in the pew rack. These can be placed in the offering plates by the door as you exit.

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our prayers during worship, please call the pastor or church office or write down the request and give it to the pastor.

Lectionary Summary: Humanity is created in the image and likeness of God. *“It is not good that the man should be alone”* (Gen. 2:18). For the Lord Himself is a perfect communion of three Persons — the Father, Son and Holy Spirit — in one God. Therefore, *“the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs,”* which *“he made into a woman”* and brought *“to the man”* (Gen. 2:21–22). It is for this reason that *“a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh”* (Gen. 2:24; Mark 10:7). This great mystery of holy marriage signifies Christ Jesus, the incarnate Son of God, and His Bride, the Church. Divorce and all manner of adultery contradict and undermine this sign, and in doing so, they confess a false Christ and a false gospel. *“What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate”* (Mark 10:9). In truth, Christ Jesus has atoned for all such sins, and He has perfected marriage in Himself *“through suffering,”* that He might bring *“many sons to glory”* in His resurrection (Heb. 2:8–10).



2021 LWML SUNDAY Worship Service

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.

Our Hearts in HIS Hand

PRESERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME AND GREETING TIME

RINGING OF THE BELL

♪ OPENING HYMN

"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

LSB 913

- 1 O Holy Spirit, enter in, And in our hearts Your work begin,
Your dwelling place now make us. Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
Around and in us brightly shine, To joy and gladness wake us
That we may be Truly living, To You giving Prayer unceasing
And in love be still increasing.
- 2 Give to Your Word impressive pow'r,
That in our hearts from this good hour
As fire it may be glowing, That in true Christian unity
We faithful witnesses may be, Your glory ever showing.
Hear us, cheer us By Your teaching; Let our preaching And our labor
Praise You, Lord, and serve our neighbor.
- 3 O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
Let Your dear Word, in doubt and strife,

**In us be strongly burning That we be faithful unto death
And live in love and holy faith, From You true wisdom learning.
Your grace and peace On us shower; By Your power Christ confessing,
Let us see our Savior's blessing.**

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Stand

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

C: **Amen.**

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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.**

ENTRANCE PSALM

Psalm 86:5–12

P: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,

C: **abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.**

P: Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace.

C: **In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me.**

P: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

C: **All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.**

P: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

C: **Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name.**

P: I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever.

C: **Glorify 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

C: **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

1 **Voices raised to You we offer; Tune them, God, for songs of praise.**
Hearts and hands we bring in tribute
For Your gifts through all our days. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Triune God, to You we sing!

5 **How can any praise we offer Measure all the thanks we owe?**
Take our hearts and hands and voices—
Gifts of love we can bestow. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Triune God, to You we sing!

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 36:22–27

²²“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Peter 1:18–22

¹⁸Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave

him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God. ²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

🎵 ALLELUIA AND VERSE

C: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 12:28–31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

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

²⁸ One of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that [Jesus] answered them well, asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" ²⁹Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES' CREED

C: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 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.**

Sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

🎵 HYMN OF THE DAY

"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

LSB 704

- 1 **Renew me, O eternal Light, And let my heart and soul be bright, Illumined with the light of grace That issues from Your holy face.**

- 2 **Remove the pow'r of sin from me And cleanse all my impurity That I may have the strength and will Temptations of the flesh to still.**

**3 Create in me a new heart, Lord, That gladly I obey Your Word.
Let what You will be my desire, And with new life my soul inspire.**

**4 Grant that I only You may love And seek those things which are above
Till I behold You face to face, O Light eternal, through Your grace.**

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SERMON "Love One Another from Pure Hearts"

1 Peter 1:22

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.

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, You search our hearts and have seen our sin, and yet in Your love have reconciled us to Yourself through Your Son. Give us Your Spirit, the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, that our lives may grow in devotion to You for the salvation You have so graciously given us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Guide, we pray, our congregation in life and witness. Give us Your grace, so that in a land where strife is too common, we will be a place of peace. In our divided nation, make this Your congregation a gathering place of hearts united in You who extend Your welcome to all. Inspire all the members of Your congregation to love this place where Your name is invoked and Your grace proclaimed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: For the mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League in this congregation and throughout the world, that every heart will beat with Your love and all hearts extend Your hand of service to others. Through the faithful gathering of mites, may Lutheran Women in Mission continue to encourage us to put all You have given us into the mission of reaching the lost and erring. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: For the daily bread that sustains us in life: For food and health, for housing and clothing, for

employment, for moderate weather, for justice and peace in our community and nation, that in every time of abundance and time of need, we may know Your peace in our hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: For... *(additional intercessions of the congregation)*. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: For communicants who come to Your table to eat and drink Your Son's holy body and blood: May they draw near with humble confidence in Your forgiveness and reliance upon Your promise of nurture as we faithfully walk the heavenward way. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB, p. 209

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.

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.

Sit

🎵 CLOSING HYMN

"Serve the Lord with Gladness"

Tune: *LSB 662*

**"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!

--Written by Prof. Ernest Lewerenz

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NEWS AND NOTES

WE REJOICE with the following members of Grace who are celebrating this week.

BIRTHDAYS: Mindy Heithold, Bodey Woehler, Glenda Beiermann, Payton Junck, Yvonne Manning, Logan Trautman, Onar Spahr, Abigail Olson, Dennis Dannelly, Ginny Otte, Brandon Sebade, Charles Maier, Carol Robbert & Arlyss Temme

ANNIVERSARIES: Jaret & Nicole Harmer, Terry & Mary Janke, Brian & Lynsey Hass, Josh & Melissa Pickinpaugh, Lowell & Karen Schardt and Ron & Arlyss Temme

LAST WEEK our offerings were: \$18,204.

NURSERY: A nursery room has been created to help parents with young children. The nursery is located in the first room west of the upstairs fellowship hall. Please feel welcome to use the room to quiet your child.

PARENTS OF LITTLE CHILDREN: Books which your children may enjoy are available in book bags located near the doors at the east end of the sanctuary. Please return the books after the worship service. Thank you.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS: This week we will conclude our short study of gender issues. The class meets in the basement at 9:15.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Today, we will study “The Born-Again Truth.” Nicodemus, a leader of the Jewish Council, comes to see Jesus under cover of darkness. Puzzled by Jesus’ instruction that one must be born again to enter the kingdom of God, Nicodemus asks how someone can be physically reborn. Jesus gently instructs Nicodemus as He explains the spiritual rebirth found only in Christ. Christ alone is the light come into the world to save us from the darkness of our sin. For those who cannot attend in person, visit <http://bit.ly/onlinesundayschool> to access an online video overview for Unit 7, Lesson 7 and additional family materials

LUTHERAN HOUR: "Giving God Our Garbage" -- Guest Speaker: Dr. Harold Ristau - - Everything belongs to God and there isn't anything anyone could possibly give Him that He doesn't already have. And yet, there is one thing He desires: our garbage—our sins, our shame, our guilt—that He might put it all on Jesus. Hear the "Lutheran Hour" message on KTCH AM next Sunday at 7:30 am.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: Join us for our continuing study of the book of First Samuel. This week we focus on the beginning of Saul's reign as the first king of Israel. The study meets at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome

COLLEGE SUNDAY NIGHT DINNERS: Open to ALL College Students, Young Adults, and anyone who is Young at Heart!!! Come join us for a free dinner, fellowship and an awesome Bible Study! If you are missing home cooked meals, and your mom’s favorite recipes you can’t get much better than the classic food options we provide! Hope you can join us every Sunday at 7:30PM! And be sure to invite your friends to come for the food, but to stay for the FUN! 😊

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDIES 4PM THURSDAYS: Interested in joining other college students and young adults in studying God’s word? Want to review and freshen up on your theological understanding of God’s master plan for our salvation? Then come join us Thursday at 4pm on the southside of the College Library weather permitting. If it is raining, we will see you inside the college library. Be sure to bring your Bible and invite your friends!

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING REGISTRATION: The Registration Forms for Youth and our Adult Chaperones have been mailed out. Please watch your mail over the next few weeks for a letter from our church office containing these important forms. Pastor Erik needs these forms to be returned today for you to ensure your spot on this

trip. He also needs every youth attending to pay a \$250 deposit by that date as well to ensure that you are committed in attending this amazing week! We are going to have so much fun and grow in so many ways during our time in Houston from July 8th through the 15th, 2022! Be sure to invite your friends!!!

LHNE ANNUAL PANCAKE FEED AND OPEN HOUSE Save the date – Sunday, October 17th – Fun musical performances, a great breakfast, and an Eagle Open House for families/students interested in attending LHNE.

THE LWML WAYNE ZONE will be having their Fall Rally Tuesday, October 19th at St Paul, Winside. Registration will begin at 9:00-9:15. The rally will end around 3p.m. The theme will be "The Whole Heart at Prayer--Finding Feelings in the Psalms" based on Psalm 111:1. Pastor Jeff Warner pastor at Immanuel in Laurel will be our speaker. Our ingathering will be a monetary gift going to Doxology US--a worthwhile program that is beneficial for Pastors and congregations. All Ladies are invited to come for Bible Study and fellowship.

LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE Zone 11 – Fall Rally, today, October 3, 2021, at St. John's, Wakefield, NE. Opening hymn sing will begin at 3:00 pm. Paul Leckband with Orphan Grain Train will speak at 3:30 pm. Following the business meeting supper will be served at 5:00 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR—REFORMATION SERVICE: Reformation Day, Sunday, October 31 the Wayne Circuit Forum is planning a special circuit wide reformation festival worship service. The service is planned for Sunday, October 31 at 2 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran in Laurel. Watch the bulletin for more information but plan now to be a part of this celebration.

LIFT (Ladies In Fellowship Together) Bible Study will take place on Saturday, October 9th in the church basement at 9am. Pray you will be able to attend. Plan Ahead - - November's activity (Saturday the 13th @ 9am) we will be making porch signs. More details to come.

THE GRACE LADIES AID AND LWML meet every month on the second Wednesday in the fellowship hall at 2 P.M. We begin with a Bible study led by one of the Pastors and we have a short business meeting. All ladies of our congregation are invited to come to visit or join our group. Grace Ladies Aid and Grace Evening Circle

have now combined together. We collect "best choice" UPC labels for money to support our mission projects for LWML. We also have our card project. We have individual and boxes of Christian cards for sale. Lutheran Women's Missionary League or LWML is the place where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness. Our mission statement is "As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others." We hope you will download the LWML App on your phone for podcasts, devotions, and much more right at your fingertips. For more information or questions visit <http://www.lwml.org> or contact 402-369-2170.

GAME NIGHT: Saturday, October 16th, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm, all Jr. High and High School Youth are invited to join us in the church basement for a fun evening of games, food, and fellowship! A Bible study will be held in conjunction with this. Parents, I need a few of you to come join us. If I don't have another adult who can stay with me then we will not be able to hold this event. So, please check your calendars and see if you can help us out. Everything will be provided, so just bring yourself and any friends and we will see you on the 16th!

THANK YOU: "O Lord I love the habitation of your house" (Ps. 26:8). We thank God for the concern of so many in the care and upkeep of our church facilities. Particularly we thank God for those who made provision for the replacement of our church's east wooden doors. We also thank those assisting with the Main Street sign refurbishment.

"GENESIS, SCIENCE, AND THE FOUNDING FATHERS": Come join our High School/Parents/ and interested Adults Class as we study "life". What application does it have for us as we go to school, work, church, or any of our activities during the week. Below are just a few of our topics. Come and bring your friends! Join the adventure! Our class schedule for the next three weeks: Oct. 3rd – "Life" Part I; Oct. 10th – "Life" Part II

CHURCH DOOR PROJECT: The east wooden doors of the sanctuary have been replaced. If anyone has an interest in the old doors, they will be offered via sealed bid to anyone interested. Please turn in your door bids to the church office by October 10. Doors can be seen in the upper-level southwest classroom.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

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Pastor Emeritus: Pastor Carl Lilienkamp

ELDER ON DUTY: Chuck Potosnyak (8:00) Josh Ruwe (10:30)

ACOLYTES: Maddux Heithold & Taven Ocampo (8:00)

Drew Reinhardt & Reese Rethwisch (10:30)

LAY READER: (8:00) Julie Bose (10:30)

GREETERS: Janet Casey & Grace Kanitz (8:00)

Mary Lou Erxleben & Rhonda Sebade (10:30)

FISHERS OF KIDS PRESCHOOL: Teacher – Keila Olson – 402.584.2257

Director – Sara Ruwe – 402.369.2661

LUTHERAN HOUR SPONSOR: Grace Lutheran Ladies Aid in honor of LWML
Sunday

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

TODAY	8:00 am.	Worship
	9:15 am.	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship
MONDAY	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Dinner
	11:00 am.	Country View Communion
	3:30 pm.	Kinship Communion
	6:00 pm.	Choir
WEDNESDAY	7:30 pm.	Elders
	9:00 am.	Bible Study
	5:00 pm.	Bell Choir
THURSDAY	6:30 pm.	Midweek
	4:00 pm.	College Bible Study
SATURDAY	4:00 pm.	Family Communion
NEXT SUNDAY	8:00 am.	Worship/Communion
	9:15 am.	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:30 am.	Worship/Communion
	7:30 pm.	Sunday Night Dinner