

This Week's Words for Meditation

God's Everlasting Love

"The LORD appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness." Jeremiah 31:3

Perhaps one of the hardest things about love and loving is to love unconditionally. If a friend is kind, it's easy to return the favor. If a child is obedient and respectful, it's easy to show love. If a spouse treats us with affection and consideration, it's easy to do likewise.

But God's love is unconditional. Jeremiah says it's also everlasting. It depends on Him and His faithfulness, not on whether we deserve it or respond in kind. For if that were the case, we would have no comfort and no hope.

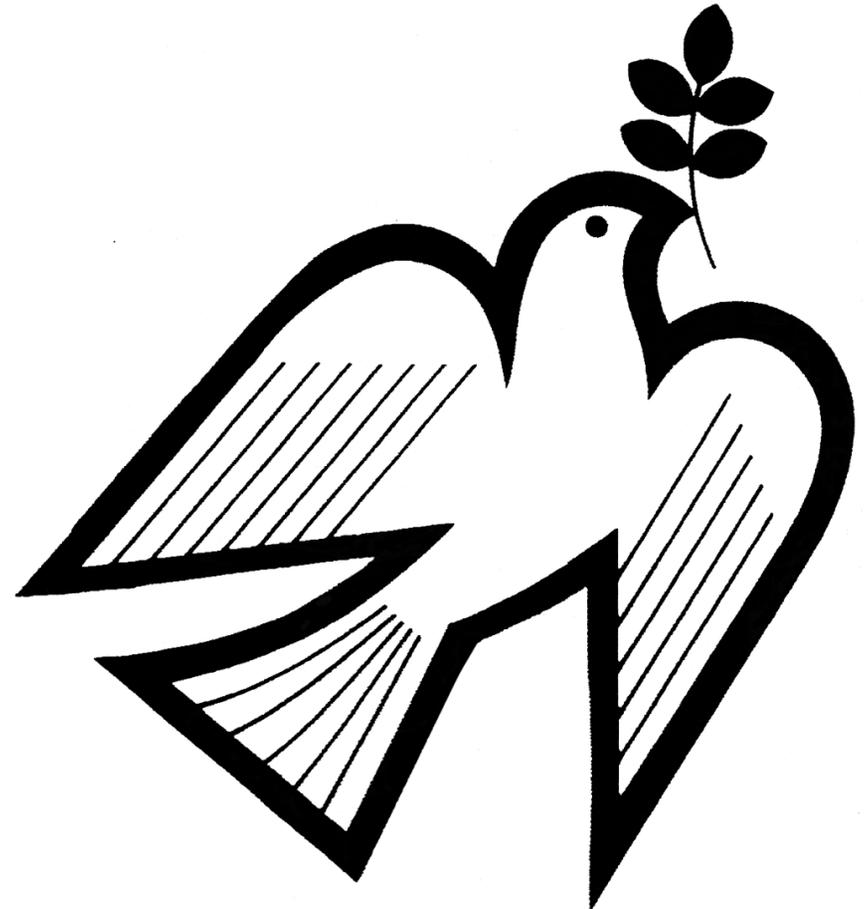
Even before earth's frame was laid, we were the objects of God's love. He sought us when we didn't even know to look for Him. He draws us to Him with the loving-kindness of the Gospel, the sweet message of salvation in His Son. It is God's loving-kindness, His mercy, that most completely defines His nature. For everything that He is and does is shaped and determined by His love for His creation.

When He disciplines and chastens His children, it is always within the context of that love. His goal is restoration, never destruction or revenge.

God's loving-kindness is gentle and pure, yet it also has great power. It has power to draw us to Him, to keep us in His grace, and to overcome the evil the world would have us follow, until that day when we live forever in His everlasting love.

**Loving God, Your mercy is new every morning
and lasts forever. Thank You for drawing me to You
with Your loving-kindness and keeping me in
Your grace. Amen.**

Laine Rosin



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Welcome! The service is designed to honor God and encourage and feed His people. We hope your heart is open to Him today, and that you sense the warm presence of His Spirit.

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+ WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN WORSHIP +

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+ WELCOME AND GREETING +

Pastor's Welcome

October Memory Work:

“And _____ said to _____, “If anyone would come after me, let him _____ himself and _____ up his _____ daily and _____ me.” **Luke 9:23**

Opening Hymn: #702 LSB *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*



Verse 1: *My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior Divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day Be wholly Thine!*

Verse 2: *May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart, My zeal inspire;
As Thou hast died for me,
O may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!*

Verse 3: *While life's dark maze I tread
And griefs around me spread,
Be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day,
Wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray
From Thee aside.*

Verse 4: *When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream
Shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love
Fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above,
A ransomed soul!*

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Invocation

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

(Matthew 28:19b)

C: Amen!

Preparation for Confession – The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false witness against your neighbor. (*Exodus 20:16*)

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

Do I gossip, listen to rumors, or take pleasure in talking about the faults or mistakes of anyone?

Do I defend others against false accusations?

Do I judge others without the authority to do so?

Am I speaking the truth in love, trying at all times to explain everything in the best possible way?

+ TIME OF CONFESSION AND THE ABSOLUTION +

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

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

(1 John 1:8-9)

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

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

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. (*John 20:19-23*)

Amen.

+ FORGIVEN, WE NOW ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE +

Salutation and Collect for This Day (Responses are Sung)

P: The Lord be with you. (*2 Timothy 4:22*)

C: And also with you.

Let us pray. O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.



+ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD +

The Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9 (ESV p. 658)

The LORD Will Turn Mourning to Joy

⁷ For thus says the Lord:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
proclaim, give praise, and say,
‘O Lord, save your people,
the remnant of Israel.’”



8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
among them the blind and the lame,
the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together;
a great company, they shall return here.

9 With weeping they shall come,
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,
I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Epistle Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28 (ESV p. 1004)

Jesus, The Guarantee of a Better Covenant

²³ The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵ Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶ For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

(Psalm 91:11; 103:1)



He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

**Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless
His holy name!**

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:46-52 (ESV p. 847)

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the Tenth Chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus Heals Blind Bartimaeus

⁴⁶ And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." ⁵⁰ And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." ⁵² And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

The Children's Message: (Please be seated)

Given by Mrs. Karin Irigon

The Message Hymn: #205 BoB "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"



Verse 1: In heav-en-ly armor we'll enter the land,

The battle belongs to the Lord.

No weapon that's fashioned against us will stand,

The battle belongs to the Lord.

Chorus: We sing glory, honor, power, and strength to the Lord.

We sing glory, honor, power and strength to the Lord.

Verse 2: *When the pow-er of darkness comes in like a flood,
The battle belongs to the Lord.
He's raised up a standard, the pow'r of His blood,
The battle belongs to the Lord.*

Chorus: *We sing glory, honor, power, and strength to the Lord.
We sing glory, honor, power and strength to the Lord.*

Verse 3: *When your enemy presses in hard, do not fear,
The battle belongs to the Lord.
Take courage, my friend, your redemption is near,
The battle belongs to the Lord.*

Chorus: *We sing glory, honor, power, and strength to the Lord.
We sing glory, honor, power and strength to the Lord.*

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The Message for the Day: *“Faith Stands Up to Challenges”*
(Mark 10:46-52 & 1 Samuel 17:1-58)



The Nicene Creed (p. 158)

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.

The Gathering of the Offerings for the Lord's Work



The Offertory: BoB 107 *“I Love You, Lord”* (not sung)

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The Prayers of the Church

(after each petition, please respond with - **“Hear our Prayer”**)



The Lord's Prayer (p. 162) (Spoken) (for the 8:00 a.m. service)

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.

(8:00 a.m. service please proceed to the Benediction)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

Prepare to Receive Holy Communion (for the 10:45 a.m. service)



We practice Biblical Communion. It is a testimony to our unity in faith and doctrine. All who have been baptized, examined and absolved are welcome. If you are not an active member of this parish or have not previously received communion from Pastor Dolby, please speak with him. We invite you to read and understand Matthew 28:16-20; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34; 1 Timothy 4:16, and Mark 14:23-25.

Please Note: Should anyone be unable to partake of the wine, we will have a small amount of cups filled with grape juice available in the center of each communion tray for your use. Also, please note that gluten-free wafers are available in a small bowl on the wafer plate for anyone with a gluten allergy.

We receive Christ's Body and Blood in, with and under the bread and the fruit of the vine, wine/grape juice, for the forgiveness of sins, united in the fellowship of faith and faithful in Christ.

The Preface

P: The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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, who having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

The LORD's Prayer (p.162) (Spoken)

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

Consecration of Elements for Holy Communion (Matt. 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:23-25)

Pax Domini "The Peace of the Lord" (Response is **Sung**) (John 20:19)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

A - men.

Agnus Dei ~ "Lamb of God" (Sung) (John 1:29)

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

Communion Hymn # 1 - #180 LSB "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

**Chorus: Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You.
Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You.**



Verse: *To see You high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of Your glory.
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."*

Chorus: *Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see you.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see You, I want to see You.*

Verse: *To see you high and lifted up,
Shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love
As we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy, holy, holy. (x3)

I want to see you.*

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Communion Hymn # 2 - #100 BoB "I Am the Bread of Life"

Verse 1: *I am the Bread of life.
You who come to Me shall not hunger;
And who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No one can come to Me unless the Father beckons.*

Chorus: *"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."*

Verse 2: *The bread that I will give
Is My flesh for the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread,
You shall live forever, you shall live forever.*

Chorus: *"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."*

Verse 3: *Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of His blood and drink of His blood,
You shall not have life within you.*

Chorus: *"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."*

Verse 4: *I am the Resurrection, I am the life.
If you believe in Me, even though you die,
You shall live forever.*

Chorus: *"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."*

Verse 5: *Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ,
The Son of God, Who has come into the world.*

Chorus: *"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day."*

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Closing Prayer of Thanksgiving (p. 166) (Please Stand)

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, Who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Benediction (p.166) (Spoken)

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.

Amen.

The Sending Hymn: #232 BoB “*We Are Marching in the Light of God*”

We are marching in the light of God,

We are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God,

We are marching in the light of, the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,

We are marching in the light of, the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,

We are marching in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God,

We are singing in the light of God.

We are singing in the light of God,

We are singing in the light of, the light of God.

We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing,

We are singing in the light of, the light of God.

We are singing, singing, we are singing, singing,

We are singing in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God,

We are dancing in the light of God.

We are dancing in the light of God,

We are dancing in the light of, the light of God.

We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, dancing,

We are dancing in the light of, the light of God.

We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, dancing,

We are dancing in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of God,

We are praying in the light of God.

We are praying in the light of God,

We are praying in the light of, the light of God.

We are praying, praying, we are praying, praying,

We are praying in the light of, the light of God.

We are praying, praying, we are praying, praying,

We are praying in the light of God.

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The Sending

(Mark 10:27b)

P: With man it is impossible, but not with God.

C: For all things are possible with God. Alleluia.

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TODAY - OCTOBER 24

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - Worship Service
9:15 a.m. - Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service with Holy Communion

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Our Ushers: Steve Fairbanks 8:00 a.m.
Pat & Sean Callahan 10:45 a.m.

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Our Duty Trustee: George Price

Our AV Team Member(10:45): Nicholas Reis

Our Greeters: 8:00 a.m.
Floyd & Flori Lukekart 10:45 a.m.

Our Counters: Diane Fairbanks 8 a.m.
Joyce Gettel & Floyd Lukekart 10:45 a.m.

THIS WEEK—LORD WILLING

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - Yardwork Wed. Crew

Sharing Christ's Love and Mercy with All!

NEXT SUNDAY

Our Ushers: Allen & Beth Mannion 8:00 a.m.
George & Linda Price 10:45 a.m.

Our Acolytes: /

Our Duty Elders: Tom Nesko / Dewey Miller

Our Music Worship Leader: Kim Bench 8 a.m.
Kim Bench 10:45 a.m.

Our Evangelists: Joyce Gettel /

Our Altar Care: Diane Fairbanks / Diane Fairbanks & Joyce Gettel

Our Duty Trustee: Dan Bushmeyer

Our AV Team Member(10:45): Ethan Bench

Our Greeters: Allen & Beth Mannion / Erika Wolfkill

Our Counters: Allen & Beth Mannion 8 a.m.
Diane Fairbanks 10:45 a.m.

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