



A Home for Every Heart

Sunday, August 23, 2020

Rev. Kory Janneke, Pastor

Thank you for growing in Christ with us today at St. Matthew! If you are attending in-person, please note that we continue to follow health protocols, including the use of face coverings. If you are participating from your vehicle, please tune your radio to 93.5 FM. If you are joining us on Facebook, welcome!

Our journey through the book of Romans brings us to a turning point today: Romans 11:33-12:8. Now, in light of God's mercies toward us in Christ, St. Paul begins to describe the transformed lives we live as Christ's people. The Lord be with you during this time of worship!

Welcome & Introduction to Today's Service

We Sing: "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

**'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word,
Just to rest upon His promise,
Just to know "Thus saith the Lord."**

***Refrain:* Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
Proved He's faithful o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more!**

**O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood,
Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood! *Refrain***

**Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease,
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest and joy and peace. *Refrain***

**I'm so glad I learned to trust Him,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that He is with me
Will be with me to the end. *Refrain***

Invocation

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

C Amen.

We Confess our Sins

P Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Almighty God, we admit and confess our sinfulness. We have turned away from You and from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the wrong you forbid, and have not done the good you command. We repent and are truly sorry for our sins. Have mercy on us, Father, because of the obedience of our Brother, Jesus Christ, Your Son. Forgive us all that is past, and with the power of Your Holy Spirit, move us to serve You faithfully. Set our feet upon a new path of life, and build Your Kingdom here among us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P God has promised forgiveness of sins to those who repent and turn to Him. May He keep you in His grace, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

Kyrie "Lord Have Mercy"

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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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 mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

P Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life, grant us to know Your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life that we may boldly confess Him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Children's Message

We Sing: "This is My Father's World"



1 This is my Fa - ther's world, And
2 This is my Fa - ther's world; The
3 This is my Fa - ther's world; Oh,



to my lis-t'ning ears All na - ture sings, and
birds their car - ols raise; The morn - ing light, the
let me ne'er for - get That, though the wrong seems



round me rings The mu - sic of the spheres.
lil - y white, De - clare their Mak - er's praise.
oft so strong, God is the Rul - er yet.



This is my Fa - ther's world; I
This is my Fa - ther's world; He
This is my Fa - ther's world; Why



rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of
shines in all that's fair. In the rus - tling grass I
should my heart be sad? The Lord is King, let the



skies and seas, His hand the won - ders wrought.
hear Him pass; He speaks to me ev - 'ry - where.
heav - ens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

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Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 51:1-6 (The salvation of the Lord will be forever.)

- ¹“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,
you who seek the LORD:
look to the rock from which you were hewn,
and to the quarry from which you were dug.
- ²Look to Abraham your father
and to Sarah who bore you;
for he was but one when I called him,
that I might bless him and multiply him.
- ³For the LORD comforts Zion;
he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.
- ⁴“Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
- ⁵My righteousness draws near,

my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait.
⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.”

Epistle Reading: Romans 11:33-12:8 (Christ's people are living sacrifices.)

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

³⁴“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?”

³⁵“Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?”

³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16:13-20 (Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.)

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.

¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

We Confess the Christian Faith: The 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.

We Sing: "Lamb of God"



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
 2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have



sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
 scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
 brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and



sod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
 fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
 rod, And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain



O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!



O wash me in His pre-cious blood, My Je-sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Sermon: "Sacrifice and Transformation" (Romans 12:1-2)

We Sing: "In Christ Alone"

- 1 In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

- 2 In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

- 3 There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

- 4 No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Prayer for our Neighbors & Ourselves

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Benediction

We Sing: "Fight the Good Fight"



1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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P Go in peace to grow in Christ.
C **Thanks be to God!**

Offering

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Announcements

Drive Your Tractor Sunday

Save the Date: On Sunday, September 13, drive your tractor, classic car, motorcycle, UTV, or whatever vehicle you choose to St. Matthew for an outdoor worship service at 9:15 a.m. Following the service, we will open St. Matthew's time capsule which was discovered earlier this year. Additional details pending.

Sunday School this Fall

Beginning the week of Sun, Sept 20, we will provide a distance learning option for Sunday school this Fall using the Enduring Faith curriculum by mailing materials and providing accompanying videos for families to use at home. Additional details to follow. Also, monetary donations are welcome to help offset the cost of Sunday school and catechism class materials for this year. Please contact the church office with questions.

Seeking Pianist

We are interested in adding an additional pianist at St. Matthew, especially to assist with Wednesday services. Pianists receive a stipend for each service. If you know of any potential pianists, please contact the church office.

Options for Offerings

By Mail: to send a check, please mail to St. Matthew's business address, P.O. Box 432, Tomah, WI 54660, or to our physical address, 4285 US Hwy 12, Warrens, WI 54666. E-Giving: now available on our new church website. Just click the "Giving" tab. The Give Plus app: Download the app and type in our zip code (54666) to get started. Text Message: simply text 833-853- 4407 and follow the prompts.

Upcoming Ushers:

August 23	Renee Fletcher
August 30	Jeff Holthaus
Sept 6	Darrell Chambers
Sept 13	LaVern Schroeder

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, Aug 23	9:15 am	Worship
Sunday, Aug 23	10:30 am	Bible Study
Sunday, Aug 23	5:30 pm	Sober Eyes
Wed, Aug 26	6:30 pm	Worship Service
Sunday, Aug 30	9:15 am	Worship Service
Sunday, Aug 30	10:30 am	Bible Study
Sunday, Aug 30	5:30 pm	Sober Eyes

We pray for:

- Those with health concerns: Dianne, Anna, Virginia, Duaine, Sharon, Tyler and Bob
- Nitu, a young girl in India now being sponsored by Ignite through Child Fund International
- Phillip Magness, our missionary to west and central Africa
- Rachel Krause, our missionary in Germany

(Please contact the church office to make updates to our prayer list.)

July Financial Update (Year To Date):

Income To Date:	\$158,256.49
Expenses To Date:	\$151,462.14
Current Mortgage Balance:	\$671,238.70