



## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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HYMN "We Praise You, O God"

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P: Let us Pray: O god our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside, and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

4So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. <sup>6</sup>You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" <sup>7</sup>For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting

before you today? <sup>9</sup>But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children—

R: The word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God!**

**PSALM 15 (Please read responsively)**

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup>**Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart;**

<sup>3</sup>who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors;

<sup>4</sup>**in whose eyes the wicked are despised, but who honor those who fear the LORD; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;**

<sup>5</sup>who do not lend money at interest, and do not take a bribe against the innocent. Those who do these things shall never be moved.

**SECOND READING**

**James 1:17-27**

<sup>17</sup>Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup>In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

<sup>19</sup>You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup>for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup>Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup>But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup>For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup>for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup>But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. <sup>26</sup>If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. <sup>27</sup>Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

R: The word of the Lord.      **C: Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL INTRODUCTION "The Holy Gospel..."

**C: "Glory to you O Lord!"**

GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

7Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, <sup>2</sup>they noticed that some of

his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; <sup>4</sup>and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) <sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup>He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;  
<sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me,  
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

<sup>8</sup>You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

<sup>14</sup>Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” <sup>21</sup>For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

## GOSPEL RESPONSE

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

**C: "Praise to you, O Christ!"**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY "O Light Whose Splendor Thrills" WOV #728

APOSTLES' CREED

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: God in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN "Create in me...." LBW pg. 75

OFFERING PRAYER

P: God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and gifts we offer. Abide with us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen!**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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

BENEDICTION

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HYMN

“Beautiful Savior”

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DISMISSAL

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POSTLUDE

**Thank you to those who helped with today's service ~**

**Pastor Greg Anderson**

**Organist/Piano ~ Diane Boback**

**Reader ~ Mary Hess**

**Ushers ~ Unknown**

### **Contributions**

2021 Total budget \$ 80,533

Contributions needed weekly per 2021 budget \$ 1,550

Given Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ \$ 365.00

## ~Prayer Concerns~

Family of Cassie Chamley (Linda Loeffler's Niece), Herb & Jan Moore, John Nelson & Family, Charlotte and Ken Carlson, Marie Anderson, Louise Ellingson, Glorene Clark, Herb Moore, Bill Utley, Susan (Paula Skelton's sister), Tom Lehtinen

## ~Calendar ~

Tuesday	8:30	Bandage Rolling
Next Sunday	10:30	Worship/HC

## Next Sunday ~ September 5<sup>th</sup>

Pastor Greg Anderson

Organist ~ Anne Sherve-Ose, (St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Soudan, MN)

Reader ~ Cyndi Worshek

Ushers ~ Unknown

## ~Announcements~

### Lawn Mowing Schedule

9-3 to 9-9	John Nelson
9-10 to 9-16	Barrett Honkola
9-17 to 9-23	Eric Olson
9-24 to 9-30	Don Berggren

**The MEMA** (Mesabi East Ministerial Association) Fund is function of Interchurch. It provides emergency help to people in our area. If you know of anyone in need, you can call : Pastor Barnes 218-742-6525 or Hugh Woods: 218-722—2368.

**Food Shelf** – NEW - Phone: 218-306-6116 Address: 301 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. E.

### **Tables and Chair Use Policy**

Contact Kelly in the office at 229-3214 or 750-4195. A log book and calendar is kept in the office.

**The policy States:**

NEW LIGHTER WEIGHT TABLES AND THE ROUND TABLES MAY NOT BE BORROWED AT ANY TIME. ONLY THE OLD HEAVIER LONG TABLES MAY BE BORROWED.

**Just a friendly reminder for everyone regarding bulletin and newsletter announcements.** If you leave something in the office that you would like in the bulletin or newsletter, please attach you name to the information. Often times there are questions about it prior to publishing, and I have no idea who to contact. Thanks ☺ ~ Kelly West, OSLC Secretary

**The NE MN Synod Women's Organization** will have their 2021 Gathering on September 11 in Grand Rapids, MN All women are invited to attend. At this gathering our conference will be collecting foster care kits for children (sizes 3T-5T). The kits include the following: Backpack, throw blanket, pajamas,

socks, underwear, toothbrush/toothpaste, comb/brush, stuffed animal, small toy, book. These kits can be designated to be given locally or synod-wide. If you are able to contribute or have any questions, please let me know; much appreciated. Kate Undeland 780-2436.