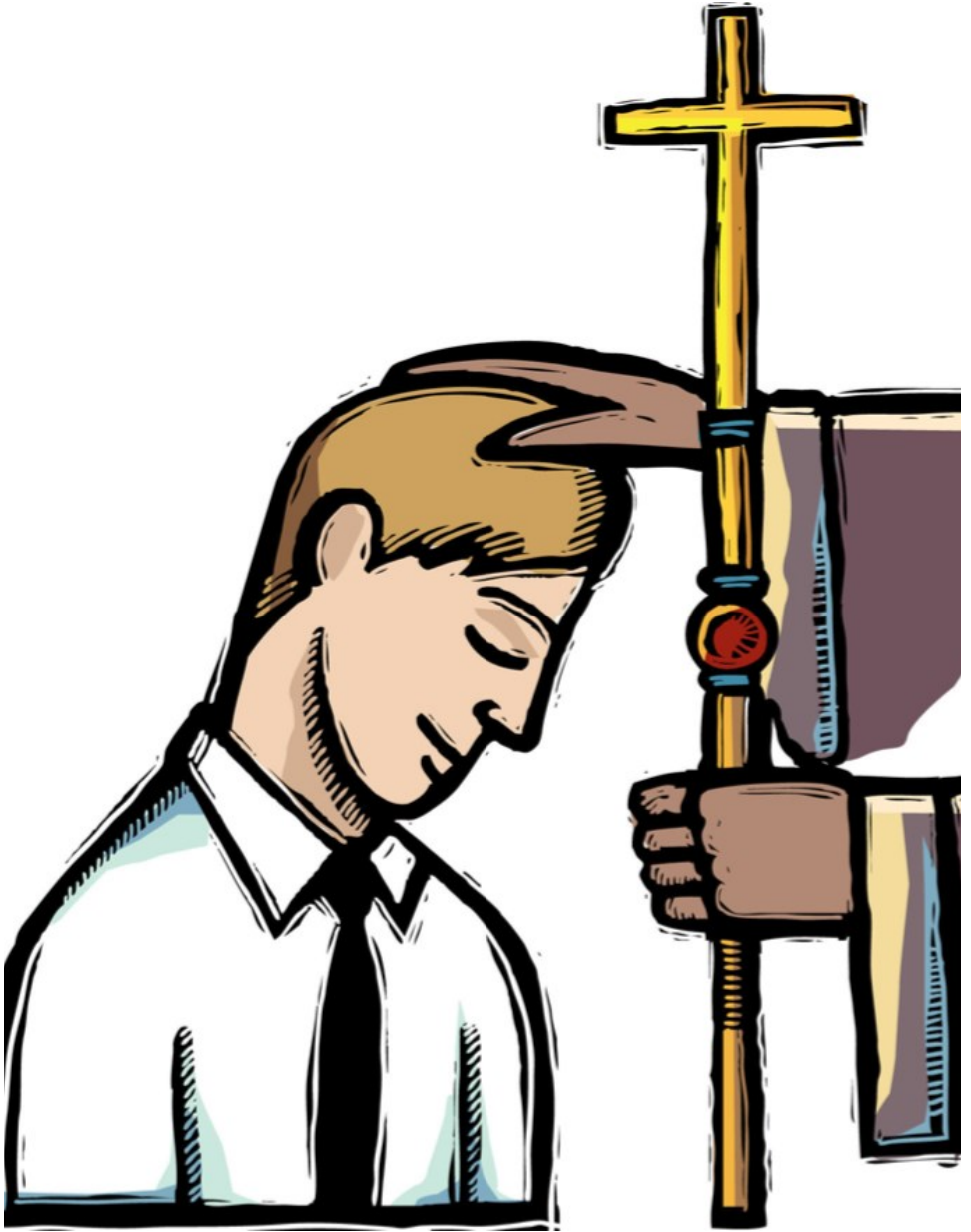


# Faith Lutheran Church



May 12<sup>th</sup> 2024

# WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

Please sign the guest register in the entry  
as you leave the church today.

## TODAY'S SERVICE

May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Liturgy:** Common Service

**Speaker:** Pastor Matthew Ude

**Organist:** Ann Sprengeler

Liturgy: *Common Service* from *Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal* © 1993 Northwestern Publishing House

# PRE-SERVICE DEVOTION

## *Psalm 1*

Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; <sup>2</sup> But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. <sup>3</sup> He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper. <sup>4</sup> The ungodly *are* not so, But *are* like the chaff which the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup> Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. <sup>6</sup> For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the ungodly shall perish.

# CONFIRMATION

## Precious Lord Take My Hand

Thomas Andrew Dorsey (1938)

Christian Worship 451



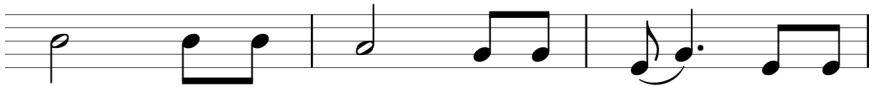
1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me
2. When my way grows drear, Pre-cious
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears And the



on, let me stand; I am tired, I am  
Lord, lin - ger near, When my life is  
night draws near And the day is



weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the  
al - most gone, Hear my cry, hear my  
al - most gone, At the riv - er I



night, Lead me on to the light. Take my  
call; Hold my hand lest I fall. Take my  
stand; Guide my feet, hold my hand, Take my



hand, precious Lord; lead me home.  
hand, precious Lord; lead me home.  
hand, precious Lord; lead me home.

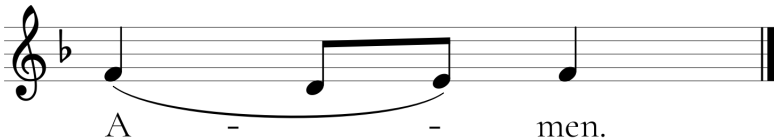
## QUESTIONING OF CONFIRMANDS

### CHILDREN'S HYMN

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## INVOCATION

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



## CONFESSION OF SINS

p Beloved of God: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

**all** Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my

thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. for this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



Lord, have mer-cy on us, Christ, have mer -  
cy on us, Lord, have mer - cy on us.

p God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



A - - - men.

p In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



This is the feast of victory for our God.



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



1. — Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
2. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
3. Sing with all the peo - ple of
4. Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
5. For the Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ who was



slain, whose blood set us free  
strength, and hon - or, bless -  
God, and join in the hymn of  
might be to God and the Lamb for -  
slain has be - gun His reign.





to be peo - ple of God. *refrain*  
 ing, and glo - ry are His. *refrain*  
 all cre - a - tion: *stanza 4*  
 ev - er. A - men. *refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia. *final refrain*

*Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.



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

p Let us pray . . . Almighty God, You have promised to be our guide, lead us and our children by your word that we may come in the end to your heavenly kingdom ; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.



A - - - men.

## THE WORD

**Ephesians 1:3-12** <sup>3</sup> Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, <sup>4</sup> just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, <sup>5</sup> having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, <sup>6</sup> to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup> In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace <sup>8</sup> which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, <sup>9</sup> having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, <sup>10</sup> that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both<sup>1</sup> which are in heaven and which are on earth-- in Him. <sup>11</sup> In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, <sup>12</sup> that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.

**John 17:3-17** <sup>3</sup> "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. <sup>4</sup> "I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. <sup>5</sup> "And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. <sup>6</sup> "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. <sup>7</sup> "Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. <sup>8</sup> "For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. <sup>9</sup> "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. <sup>10</sup> "And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> "Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me<sup>1</sup>, that they may be one as We *are*. <sup>12</sup> "While I was with them in the world<sup>1</sup>, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept<sup>2</sup>; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture

might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> "But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves. <sup>14</sup> "I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup> "I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup> "They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>17</sup> "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

p Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it!



# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

# Christ Be My Leader

Timothy Dudley-Smith (1961)

Christian Worship #367



1. Christ be my lead-er by night as by day,
2. Christ be my teach-er in age as in youth,
3. Christ be my Sav-ior in calm as in strife;



Safe through the dark-ness, for he is the way.  
Drift - ing or doubt-ing, for he is the truth.  
Death can - not hold me, for he is the life. Nor



Glad - ly I fol - low, my fu-ture his care;  
Grant me to trust him, though shift-ing as sand.  
dark-ness nor doubt-ing nor sin and its stain Can



Dark - ness is day-light when Je-sus is there.  
Doubt can - not daunt me in Je-sus I stand!  
touch my sal - va - tion with Je-sus I reign!

# SERMON

**2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-9, 12-6** Now it came to pass when the king was dwelling in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies all around, 2 that the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells inside tent curtains." 3 Then Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart, for the LORD is with you." 4 But it happened that night that the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying, 5 "Go and tell My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: "Would you build a house for Me to dwell in?" 8 "Now therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "I took you from the sheepfold, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people, over Israel. 9 "And I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and have made you a great name, like the name of the great men who are on the earth. 12 "When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 "He

shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. 14 "I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men. 15 "But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you. 16 "And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.""

**FOLLOW THE LORD,  
HE WILL BUILD YOUR HOUSE**





Create in me a clean heart, O God,



and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.



Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and



take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to



me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -



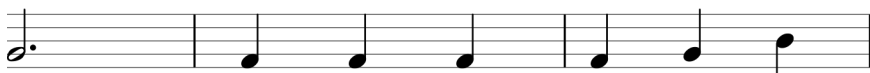
hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

# Be Thou My Vision

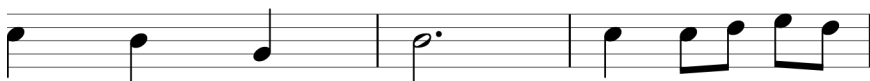
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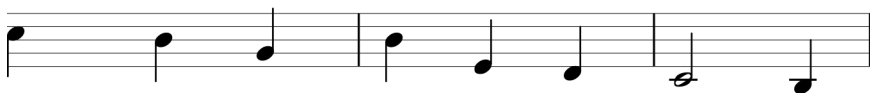
1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my  
2 Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the  
3 Rich - es I need not, nor man's emp - ty  
4 High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry



heart; Naught be all else to me,  
fight; Thou my whole ar - mor and  
praise; Thou mine in - her - i - tance  
won, May I reach heav - en's joys,



save that thou art. Thou my best  
thou my true might; thou my soul's  
now and al - ways; Thou and thou  
O bright heav'n's Sun. Heart of my



thought in the day and the night  
shel - ter and thou my strong tow - er.  
on - ly the first in my heart;  
own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



Wak - ing and sleep - ing, thy\_ pres - ence my light.  
Raise thou me heav'nward, great Pow'r of my pow'r.  
High King of heav - en, my\_ treas - ure thou art.  
Still be my vi - sion, O\_ Rul - er of all.

## OFFERING #441:1-2

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be, all  
that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.  
May we Thy bounties thus, as stewards true receive, and  
gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

## Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

all 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 RITE OF CONFIRMATION

**McKenzie Brianne Heise**

**Isaiah 43:1**

Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called *you* by your name; You *are* Mine.

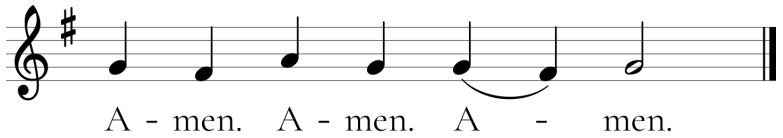
**Hudson Leed Laper**

**Revelation 2:10**

Be faithful until death,  
and I will give you the crown of life.

# THE BENEDICTION

p The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



# In Christ Alone

Author: Keith Getty; Author: Stuart Townend

Christian Worship #752



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found,  
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh,  
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay,  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death,



He is my light, my strength, — my song;  
full-ness of God in help - less babe!  
Light of the world by dark - ness slain;  
this is the pow'r of Christ — in me;



This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id Ground,  
This gift of love and right-eous - ness,  
Then, burst - ing forth in glo-rious Day,  
From life's first cry to fi - nal breath,



firm through the fierc-est drought — and storm  
scorned by the ones He came — to save.  
up from the grave He rose — a - gain!  
Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
 Till on that cross as Je - sus died,  
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry,  
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,



when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease.  
 the wrath of God was sat - is - fied.  
 sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
 can ev - er pluck me from His hand;



My Com - fort - er, my All in All,  
 For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid;  
 For I am His and He is mine,  
 Till He re - turns or calls me home,



here in the love of Christ— I stand.  
 Here in the death of Christ— I live.  
 bought with the pre - cious blood— of Christ.  
 here in the pow'r of Christ— I'll stand!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday, May 12**

9 am Confirmation Questioning

9:15 am Worship Service School

**Tuesday, May 14**

6:30 pm Elder Meeting

7:30 pm Council Meeting

**Wednesday, May 15**

6:30 pm History Fair

**Sunday, May 19**

9 am Worship Service

12:30 pm Ann's Retirement Party

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**May 15** – History Fair

**May 19** – Ann Sprengeler's Retirement Party

**June 2** – Graduation and Church Picnic

## FRUITS OF FAITH

Sunday Service –85

Sunday School -9

Bible Class- 17

General Fund - \$ 4912

Missions -\$ 940

Building Fund- \$ 175

## USHERS FOR MAY

Ryan Krueger, Andy Kohn,

Parker Kohn, Hayden Quade

## COUNTERS

**This Week Team # 5**

Dennis Jones, Lynn Dumke

**Next Week Team #6**

Jim Kok,

## DELEGATES CONFERENCE

Delegates conference is here in Markesan on June 3 and 4. We need housing for visiting pastors and help preparing food. Signup sheet for housing is on the bulletin board.

## HISTORY FAIR

In connection with the History Fair on May 15, the students in grades 3-8 will be offering baked goods and lemonade with a free-will donation. Proceeds will go towards a Gaga Ball Pit project. Information about a Gaga Ball Pit will be set out that night for anyone to read.



## ANN'S RETIREMENT

Ann's retirement party is Sunday May 19. Lunch at 12:30, program to follow. There is a sign-up sheet for bringing food on the bulletin board.

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezek. 37:1-14  
Psalm 139:1-12  
Acts 2:1-21  
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

## CHURCH PICNIC

The church picnic begins at noon on June 2. Members can bring sides and desserts if they want. The school board is providing entrée and drinks.

## CALL NEWS

Teacher Matthew Kranz, Immanuel Lutheran School, Mankato, MN, *has accepted the call* to be the upper grade teacher of Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN.

## VBS

VBS is scheduled for July 15-19. Sign up your kids with the brochures under the bulletin board or online [markesanlutheran.com/vbs](http://markesanlutheran.com/vbs). Sign up to help with VBS on the bulletin board.

Pastor David Ude, Living Hope Lutheran, Appleton, WI, *is still considering the call* to Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye, MN.

Teacher Neil Bernthal, Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven FL, *has returned* the call to Messiah Lutheran School, Eau Claire, WI.

## JUNE DAIRY DAYS PARADE

We need candy to hand out during the June dairy days parade. Starting next week there will be an offering basket in the back of the church.

Signup sheet for the parade is on the bulletin board.

Teacher Ross Kok of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ *is still considering the call* to be principal and teacher of Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI.







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