



Our Savior
Lutheran Church
Newton, Iowa

*The Fifteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
September 13, 2020*

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Attendance: 8/30/20: 33 9/2/20: 20

WELCOME TO ALL guests and visitors this morning! It is great to have you here with us to receive the gifts of God in this place. Please fill out a communion card located in the pew, and also give us the honor of signing the guest book so we can send you a welcome card. Please do come again!

COMMUNION: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with the Pastor.

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Celebrant:	Pastor Daniel Provost
Usher:	9/9 n/a
	9/13 Bob Bringolf
Elders:	9/9 Ron Dlouhy
	9/13 Darryl Johnson
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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (p. 203)

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, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, 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.

INTROIT *Psalm 143:1-2; antiphon: v. 9*

Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

I have fled to you for refuge!

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your servant,

for no one living is righteous before you.

**Glory 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.

Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

I have fled to you for refuge!

KYRIE (p. 204)

C Lord, have mercy;

Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY (p. 205)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 50:15–21*

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, 'Say to Joseph, Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *Romans 14:1–12*

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall confess to God.”

So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (p. 205) 

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 18:21–35*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the eighteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

Peter came up and said to [Jesus], “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.

“Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED *(p. 206)*

C 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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

“Come Down, O Love Divine”
LSB 501

SERMON *by* Pastor Daniel Provost
“Forgive as We Have Been Forgiven” *Genesis 50:15–21*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

PREFACE (p. 208)

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS (p. 208)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (p. 209)

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER (p. 209)

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD *(p. 209)*

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI *(p. 209)*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI *(p. 210)*

C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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NUNC DIMITTIS *(p. 211)*

C O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT (p. 212)

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS (p. 212)

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION (p. 212)

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.

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Remember in your prayers...

- † Those afflicted by the novel Coronavirus, as well as those who are fearful in this challenging time.
- † The family of David Breckenridge (brother of Roger Breckenridge), as he has passed away, September 1st.
- † John McGinley, dealing with severe cancer recurrence.
- † Dawn Mesner, as she undergoes medical treatment.
- † Gary Peterson, medical concerns.
- † Roger Breckenridge, residing at Park Centre with medical concerns.
- † Bob Doerring, health concerns.
- † Bill Jenkins, health concerns.
- † Dan Allen, medical concerns.
- † Kendra Boger, health concerns.
- † Tracy Rau, daughter of Karen Doak, health concerns.
- † Marilyn Mertz, recuperating at home.
- † Charlene Vesely, residing at Nelson Manor in Newton.
- † Brenda Neumann, niece of Carmen & Dorothy Sanders, diagnosed with cancer.
- † Gabe Tancer, grandson of Bill & Norma Rozendaal, diagnosed with leukemia.
- † The Ministry of The Pregnancy Center of Central Iowa.
- † The Malaria Initiative and the end of Malaria deaths in the world.
- † *Our Missionaries*
Rev. Dr. Thomas and Mary Aadland, Kenya.
James and Angela Sharp, Uruguay.
Carl & Chen Hsi Li Hanson, Korea.

This Week at Our Savior...

SUNDAY (13) 9:00AM WORSHIP
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY (15) BULLETIN DEADLINE - AM
..... 6:30 COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY (16) 1:00PM FAITH 101
..... 7:00 WORSHIP

SUNDAY (20) 9:00AM WORSHIP
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY

Happy Birthday

SEPTEMBER 13TH

SKYLER TOOL

SEPTEMBER 15TH

SUE FORTUNE

SEPTEMBER 17TH

DON PRITCHARD

SEPTEMBER 14TH

HAYDEN DUNKERSON

SEPTEMBER 19TH

CAROL EALY

Happy Anniversary

SEPTEMBER 15TH

DAN & JANE

ALLEN

JERRY & CHRIS

ROBY

SEPTEMBER 17TH

BEN & KRISTIN

DECOOK

JERRY & LINDA

BINEGAR

SEPTEMBER 16TH

JEFF & CAROL

EALY

SEPTEMBER 18TH

MATT & KRISTIN

ROGAHN

DARIN & HEATHER

TISDALE

Announcements

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES Every day LFS counselors meet with people who are experiencing a test or trial of some kind or have been hurt by their own or someone else's actions. We can help, and we do, but we know we don't work alone or by our own power. We serve a God who can turn a test into a testimony, a trial into a triumph and a victim into a victorious survivor. Psalm 34 tells us that He is not distant but near to the brokenhearted and to those whose spirit has been crushed. This same God is with you today in whatever test, trial, or pain you are experiencing. Call us if you could use someone to walk with you during this hard time. **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa** - 6200 Aurora Ave., Ste 410W, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515-251-4900)

LIFE QUOTES "When discipline and correction are called for in the Christian family, it is always administered in love, given for the express purpose of benefitting the family as a whole—the household as a whole. By this the family is strengthened to better witness to the life they share by faith in Jesus. For by the grace of God and in the power of His Holy Spirit, the Christian family at work, worship, prayer, or play bears witness to the faith that is in them through their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." *Ron Schlegel, The Lutheran Laymen* - A "Life Quote" from **Lutherans For Life** - www.lutheransforlife.org.

LWML BYTE LWML Grant #14 for the 2019-2021 biennium is Hope and Healing Hub of Downtown Lincoln. This grant will help with the renovation of the University Lutheran Chapel, where anyone can go to be loved, to be healed with the help of Christian counselors, and to receive hope through Word and Sacrament. For more information, go to www.lwml.org/2019-2021-mission-grant-14.

BIBLE STUDY We're going to restart BIBLE STUDY on **September 13th**. It will be in the church nave (church proper), and will start a few minutes after the service has completed (10:15 or 10:30). The reason for the relocation of Bible study is to promote social distancing (larger area) as well as being the area of the building in which the cleaning service is focusing their efforts at sanitizing. There will not be snacks or coffee just yet, because of COVID-19. Our topic to start out this fall is the Book of **I Corinthians**; many of the issues presented by Paul as being present in the Corinthian church also face the church today, and we can learn a great deal from them. So, please plan to join us – it would be great if everyone that's in church would feel comfortable and would be able to stay for an enlightening Bible study. It's not limited to adults, either – teenagers, children are also invited – so that we can all learn together. If you have any questions on this, please talk with Pastor Provost.