



Our Savior
Lutheran Church
Newton, Iowa

*The Eighteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
October 4, 2020*

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Sundays at 9:00am and Wednesdays at 7:00pm
Attendance: 9/20/20: 31 9/23/20: 14

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:	9/30 n/a 10/4 Steve Hartz
Elders:	9/30 Ron Dlouhy 10/4 Doug W./Darryl Johnson
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THE EIGHTEENTH 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 118:22–24; antiphon: v. 1*

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever!

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.

Gracious God, You gave Your Son into the hands of sinful men who killed Him. Forgive us when we reject Your unfailing love, and grant us the fullness of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 5:1–7*

Let me sing for my beloved
my love song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
and he looked for it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard,
that I have not done in it?

When I looked for it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and briers and thorns shall grow up;

I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,

and the men of Judah
are his pleasant planting;

and he looked for justice,
but behold, bloodshed;

for righteousness,
but behold, an outcry!

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *Philippians 3:4–14*

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness, under the law blameless. But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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 21:33–46*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “Hear another parable. There was a master of a house who planted a vineyard and put a fence around it and dug a winepress in it and built a tower and leased it to tenants, and went into another country. When the season for fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to get his fruit. And the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first. And they did the same to them. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.’ And they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” They said to him, “He will put those

wretches to a miserable death and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons.”

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes?”

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits. And the one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them. And although they were seeking to arrest him, they feared the crowds, because they held him to be a prophet.

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 † of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN

“O Love, How Deep”
LSB 544

SERMON *by* Pastor Daniel Provost
“Wicked Tenants” *Matthew 21:33-46*

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.
- † Karen Doak's niece, Amy Doak Moore (living here in Newton) who is dealing with COVID-19.
- † 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.
- † 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 (4) 9:00AM WORSHIP
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY
..... MITEBOX SUNDAY

TUESDAY (6) BULLETIN DEADLINE - AM

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

THURSDAY (8) 6:00PM ELDERS MEETING

SUNDAY (11) 9:00AM WORSHIP
..... 10:30AM BIBLE STUDY
..... MISSION PRESENTATION, PHILIP MAGNESS (W. AFRICA)

OCTOBER 5TH - 6TH
PASTOR AT IDE FALL CONFERENCE AT CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA



OCTOBER 5TH
ROBERT KEMP

OCTOBER 6TH
JANET VAN WAARHUIZEN

OCTOBER 9TH
AMY AUEN
CHRIS FORCK



OCTOBER 9TH
STEVE & JANET
HARTZ

Announcements

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES It's more important what God thinks of you than what others think of you." How often have you heard (or said) these words? Yet so often we slip into the habit of living for the approval of others. In Matthew 6, Jesus tells us not to do things for the approval of men. In the same chapter, He assures us that our Father, who sees and knows us inside out, is the One who can and will meet all our needs, including our need to be recognized, valued, and loved. Whew! What a relief! Life begins to look different (and much better!) when seen through the eyes of faith in our loving, gracious, living and forgiving God. Live in the light of that great love this week! **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa** - 6200 Aurora Ave., Ste 410W, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515-251-4900)

LIFE QUOTES "Whenever I read Scripture that talks about how much God loves each of us, that He has created us, and that He wants us to share His love, I am always struck by the lack of qualifiers. I do not see where God makes distinctions about who He loves and calls into His family. He loves and calls all—each and every one of us." *Mona Fuerstenau, Bethesda Lutheran Communities* - A "Life Quote" from **Lutherans For Life** - www.lutheransforlife.org.

PASTOR'S OCTOBER SCHEDULE Pastor Provost will be gone October 5th-6th, to IDE Fall Conference at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca. Pastor will be on vacation from October 12th-23rd. There will be no Wednesday worship on Oct. 14th and Oct. 21st. Please feel free to contact Randy Ervin, 521-8700 or an elder during these times. Ron Dlouhy, 831-9649; Doug Woebbecking, 521-5645; Darryl Johnson, 563-349-0230. Thank you!

UPDATED DATES! --- VOTER'S PACKET DEADLINE Our next Voter's Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00pm. Please note that the **packet deadline is Tuesday, October 13th.**

NEW MEMBERS! On Wednesday, Sept 30, we witnessed the confirmation of three members of the Dlouhy extended family: Ben DeCook, Kelsey Dlouhy, and Logan Powers. During the early months of quarantine, shutdown, Zoom meetings, and online-only worship, these young adults, as well as Ron, Kristin, Cameron and Madison, participated in virtual adult instruction classes with Pastor Provost. We welcome them as the newest members of Our Savior Lutheran Church.