

June 6, 2021 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

In his kingdom we are to live according to his will as expressed in the law. But even in the directions given for our lives in the law, we see *Christ for us*. For the law does not benefit God; it benefits us. The Third Commandment is a pre-eminent example of the point.



Our Mission is to nurture each other in God's Word and spread the Good News of Christ to all.

HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

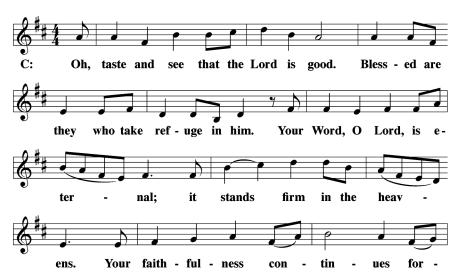
- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

O God, you rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 5:12-15 (NIV84)

"Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the LORD your God has commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your manservant or maidservant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor the alien within your gates, so that your manservant and maidservant may rest, as you do. ¹⁵ Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the LORD your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

PSALM 126





When the LORD brought back the captives to Zion,* we were like those who dreamed.

Our mouths were filled with laughter,* our tongues with songs of joy.

The LORD has done great things for us,* and we are filled with joy.

Refrain

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the desert.*
Those who sow in tears will reap with songs of joy.

He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow,* will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him.

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.

Refrain

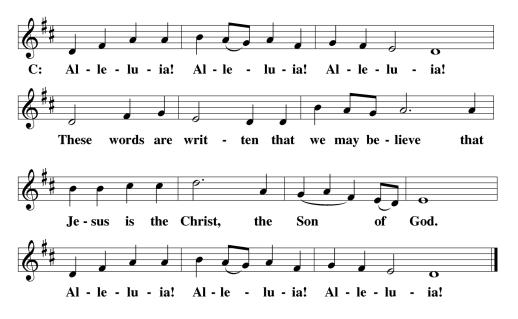
SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:5-12 (NIV84)

For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶ For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. ⁷ But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. ⁸ We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. ¹¹ For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may be revealed in our mortal body. ¹² So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

VERSE OF THE DAY

M: Alleluia. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Alleluia. (Psalm 119:105)



STAND

GOSPEL Mark 2:23-28 (NIV84)

One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. ²⁴ The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?" ²⁵ He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? ²⁶ In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions." ²⁷ Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



BE SEATED

HYMN OF THE DAY

Oh, that I Had a Thousand Voices

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SERMON

Lord of the Sabbath

Mark 2:23-28

STAND

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.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

GOOD NEWS FOR KIDS

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.

M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.

M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.

C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.

M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.

M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

(Special prayers and intercessions may follow.)

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

(Silent prayer.)

M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BE SEATED

HYMN The Law Commands and Makes Us Know

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.
Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, Geneva, 1551 1 The makes What law com - mands and us know du ties 2 The guilt And law un - cov - ers and sin shows how 3 What curs - es the law pro - nounce A gainst the does soul, no more at - tempt draw Your life God But 'tis the we owe, gos - pel must to our The vile our hearts have been; gos pel on - ly can one who fails but once! But in the gos - pel Christ Flee com - fort from the law. the hope to the gos d Alternate settings: 233, 323 Where lies his will. re - veal our strength to do love and cleans - ing grace. ex - press For - giv ing Par - d'ning the guilt of nu - m'rous years. ap - pears, gives; The one who trusts the prom - ise lives.

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M: Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN Savior, Ag

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name

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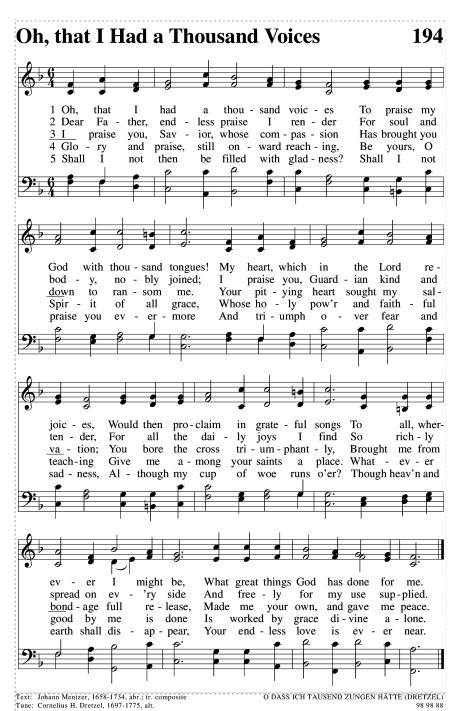
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THIS WEEK AT LINCOLN HEIGHTS

June 6 - 13

	Julie	15
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
•	8:45 am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	10:30 am	Worship
	1:30 pm	Kunama Worship
Wednesday	9:00 am	PSI
•	7:00 pm	Zoom Bible Class
Saturday	8:45 am	Homeless Meal Preparation
•	10:00 am	Basic Bible Christianity
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
	8:45am	Homeless Meal Delivery
	9:15 am	Christian Education Meeting
	10:30 am	Worship
	1:30 pm	Kunama Worship

Announcements

In Our Prayers

The Lord is eager to hear the prayers of thanks and petitions for help from his people. Please keep these members and families in your prayers. Contact Pastor to add someone to this list.

Buk Nyoach - Visiting Ethiopia Diane Butrum - surgery recovery Emily Nolte - expecting in September Angelee Kauzlarich - expecting in October Wenjing Zhang - expecting in December Roma Gould and Judy Solem - shut-ins

Wednesday Bible Class

"Our Christian Response to Blessings and Challenges" at 7:00 pm on Zoom. Zoom ID: 808 954 8574

Basic Bible Christianity

Saturdays, 10 am - noon June 5 - July 24

These classes are for anyone interested in what God teaches in the Bible and what we believe as Lutherans (the two should match). Members can attend as a refresher of the basic teachings of the Bible. Non members can join the congregation after the classes. Sign up with Pastor Pfeifer and bring a friend.

Mowing Schedule

June 4 thru 10 - Cody Kauzlarich June 11 thru 17 - Peter Nolte June 18 thru 24 - Lee Bowman June 25 thru July 1 - Greg Lewis July 2 thru 8 - John Thielke

Building Fund Update

\$21,200 donated as of 5/30/2021.

Forward in Christ - June Issue

The June issue of Forward in Christ is on the table near the sanctuary entrance or at forwardinchrist.net.

This issue highlights faith and family in four articles.

Look on page 5 for a devotion on how fathers can continue to be faith encouragers, even when their children are grown.

Page 7 reminds us of the importance of having a church home.

Look on page 15 for a Bible Study on the value of the family altar in a child's Christian training.

Parenting as a vocation? Read about it on page 16.

Other articles of interest this month include the following.

On page 18 meet Jason Jaspersen, a WELS member who works to bring God's Word to life through his art.

What do we do when we gather for worship? Seminary professor Jonathan Micheel discusses the patterns of praise we can follow through the liturgy. Read this on page 10.

God's word is truth. So why do so many people reject parts of the Bible that are difficult to understand or that conflict with their viewpoints? Dig into this topic on page 12.

Vacation Bible School—"Soaring High"

We are trying something new this summer. Instead of having one week of VBS, we will have 5 Wednesdays of VBS! We know students and teachers will miss a night or two for summer vacations. However, we hope this schedule allows more students to invite their unchurched friends for one night...and maybe more! Wednesdays, 6—8 pm July 7, 14, 21, 28 & Aug 4 Entering Preschool—6th Grade Register at www.lhelc.org/vacation-bible-school



Game Night Fellowship

June 19 4 - 8 pm

Games for all ages and abilities. Bring one or more of the following: yourself, your family, some friends, favorite games, a snack to share. Sign up on the table in the entry.

Prepare for Next Sunday

For a simple devotional reading plan, review the reading for this week on Monday - Wednesday. Then read the Scripture for next Sunday on Thursday - Saturday. The Word for next Sunday: Genesis 3:8-15, 2 Corinthians 4:13-18, Mark 3:20-35

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