

2024 Worship Service

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Mount Olive Lutheran Church "Confirmed and Committed"

OCTOBER 6, 2024 Watertown, South Dakota Hebrews 2:1-4

GREETING - *The peace of the Lord may be shared.*

OPENING HYMN MAY WE THY PRECEPTS, LORD, FULFILL LSB 698

1 May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill And do on earth our Father's will As angels do above; Still walk in Christ, the living way,

Still walk in Christ, the living way, With all Thy children and obey The law of Christian love.

2 So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace adore, Thy pow'r confess,

From sin and strife to flee.

One is our calling, one our name, The end of all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.

3 Spirit of life, of love and peace, Unite our hearts, our joy increase, Thy gracious help supply. To each of us the blessing give

In Christian fellowship to live, In joyful hope to die.

Stand

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

People: Amen.

Pastor Our help is in the name of the Lord, **People:** who made heaven and earth.

Pastor If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Pastor: 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.

People: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting

life. Amen.

Pastor: 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, Jesus forgives you

all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

Merciful Father, Your patience and loving-kindness toward us have no end. Grant that by Your Holy Spirit we may always think and do those things that are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

¹Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ²For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³how shall we escape if we neglect

Lector This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark beginning at the tenth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL

²And Pharisees came up and in order to test him asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife,⁸ and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹/₂What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ

GENESIS 2:18-25

slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴!Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

HEBREWS 2:1-4

such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

MARK 10:2-16

¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED Stand

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

*The ancient text: the holy catholic Church

Sit

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON HYMN LET US EVER WALK WITH JESUS LSB 685

1 Let us ever walk with Jesus,
Follow His example pure,
Through a world that would deceive us
And to sin our spirits lure.
Onward in His footsteps treading,
Pilgrims here, our home above,
Full of faith and hope and love,
Let us do our Father's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide;
I shall follow where you guide.

2 Let us suffer here with Jesus, And with patience bear our cross. Joy will follow all our sadness; Where He is, there is no loss. Though today we sow no laughter, We shall reap celestial joy; All discomforts that annoy Shall give way to mirth here after. Jesus, here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.

3 Let us gladly die with Jesus.
Since by death He conquered death,
He will free us from destruction,
Give to us immortal breath.
Let us mortify all passion
That would lead us into sin;
And the grave that shuts us in
Shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here with You I die,
There to live with You on high.

4 Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead That to life we may awaken. Jesus, since You are our head, We are Your own living members; Where You live, there we shall be In your presence constantly, Living there with You forever. Jesus, let me faithful be, Life eternal grant to me.

SERMON

"Confirmed and Committed"

HEBREWS 2:1-4

OFFERING

HYMN OF RESPONSE

JESUS, LEAD THOU ON

LSB 718

1 Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won;
And although the way be cheerless,
We will follow calm and fearless.
Guide us by Thy hand
To our fatherland.

2 If the way be drear, If the Foe be near, Let not faithless fears o'ertake us; Let not faith and hope forsake us; For through many-a woe To our home we go. 3 When we seek relief
From a longfelt grief,
When temptations come alluring,
Make us patient and enduring;
Show us that bright shore
Where we weep no more.

4 Jesus, lead Thou on
Till our rest is won.
Heav'nly Leader, still direct us,
Still support, console, protect us,
Till we safely stand
In our fatherland.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to

their needs.

Behold in Your mercy, O Lord, the people You have made, and grant Your special blessing to husband and wife, parent and child, that in the daily exercise of Your mercy they may manifest to one another the fullness of Your mercy, forgiving each other as You

have forgiven them. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give grace and courage, O Lord, to Your church, that in this day of denial, we may abide

joyfully in the truth of Your Word and the goodness of Your design for the home and for the family. Give us grace that we may both respect Your will and purpose and receive all

the benefits of Your design. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: To the single, give grace that their burden of living alone may not overpower them nor

steal from them the joy and fellowship of all our lives together within the household of Your church. Give patience to us all lest we grow weary as we await the prayerful desires

of our hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give wisdom to those who govern in this and every place, that guided by the voice of

Your Word they may act with integrity to do what is good and wise and benefits those in their care. Deliver us all from violence and fear and grant peace among the nations. Lord,

in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give grace and healing in accordance with Your will, that those who suffer may be

relieved of their pain, restored to good health, and sustained until that day when we shall be finally delivered from all adversity and affliction, [and especially do we pray for . . .].

Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give hope to Your people, that we may see in this communion upon the body and blood

of our Savior the promise of the future You have prepared and receive here the foretaste of the eternal feast to come, when, at last, we shall no more be separated from the saints

who went before nor from Your presence face to face. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give generosity to Your people, that we may receive Your gifts with thanksgiving, return

them to You for the support of the kingdom in our midst, and supply those in need as acts

of genuine charity and love in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Remembering all that You in Your mercy have accomplished and living in faith and hope

in Christ, we pray You to bless us, bless our homes and families, bless our lives and work, that all things we do may please You and with our voices we may boldly confess You on earth, until that day when we shall close our eyes in death to awaken to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whom, with whom, and by whom all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

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

BENDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: 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.

People: Amen.

Sit

CLOSING HYMN OH, THAT THE LORD WOULD GUIDE MY WAYS LSB 707

1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways To keep His statutes still! Oh, that my God would grant me grace To know and do His will!

2 Order my footsteps by Thy Word And make my heart sincere; Let sin have no dominion, Lord, But keep my conscience clear. 3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray, A stricter watch to keep; And should I e'er forget Thy way, Restore your wand'ring sheep.

4 Make me to walk in Thy commands— 'Tis a delightful road— Nor let my head or heart or hands Offend against my God.

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Public Domain; May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill, Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus, JESUS, LEAD THOU ON, Oh, That The Lord Would Guide My Ways

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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

LWML SUNDAY: LWML societies across the nation are celebrating LWML Sunday this Sunday or another Sunday this month. At this time the work of the LWML is recognized. These aspects of the organization include mission education, mission inspiration, mission service and mission projects. There is a large mite box in the back where anyone is welcome to contribute to the biennial mission goal of \$2,350,000.00. New members are always welcome.

BIBLE CLASS: Today we will be starting our adult Bible class beginning at 10:30. The class with study the book of Psalms: "Conversations with God." Please come and join us!

OCTOBER LWML MEETING: The October meeting will be held this Thursday, October 10, at the church at 1:30. The topic will be taken from the new fall *Quarterly*. For roll call members are asked to bring sympathy cards with stamp unattached. The hostess will be Dorothy Bassingthwaite. All ladies are welcome to attend.

MT. OLIVE BIRTHDAYS: Special birthdays Mt. Olive birthdays for October. Those being recognized are those with birthdays on the 5's and those 90 years and older. This month we honor:

Yvonne Ellis on October 1 Ed Wegner on October 9

Please remember these people with cards or letters, phone calls and prayers.

THANK YOU: We would like to express our thankfulness to all members who brought us meals and gift cards this past month. We feel so blessed to have such faithful members taking care of us. Pastor Brad and Christie.

VOTERS MEETING: A voters meeting will be held on October 13th beginning at 11:30 AM. If you would like to become a voting member, attend this meeting and share your intentions and you will be able to vote at the next voters meeting.

CONGREGATIONAL IN-GATHERING: All members of Mt. Olive are asked to bring the following items for an in-gathering at the zone LWML fall rally: large dark-colored bath towel and wash cloth, bath soap, sturdy comb, 6 band-aids (1/2" or 3/4"), small pkg of facial tissue and a nail clipper. You may bring them through Oct. 13.

MAINSTREET LIVING: is broadcast Sundays on KDLT-NBC at 10:30 AM CST and PAX at 11 AM CDT You may also view the program at mainstreetliving.com. Click on the "Watch Main Street Living" tab. The program is also available on YouTube. The Message for October 13, 10:30: Rev. Kevin Moore, pastor at Messiah and Redeemer Lutheran Churches in Redfield and Doland, SD presents a message titled "The Perfect Prospect." This sermon is based on Mark 10:17-22.

October 13: "Senior Citizen"- A man struggles with purpose and a place in life after retirement.

SERVICE SIGN-UPS: The sign-up sheets are on the back table. All members are encouraged to sign-up for any service to help in some way.

TODAY'S ELDERS: Doug Jerke & Stephen Heidenreich

• USHERS: Sharon Falk, Shirley Brink Dorothy Bassingthwaite, Marion Johnson

GREETERS: Karen Riedel, Jean Passow

READER: Marion Johnson **ACOLYTE:** Leland Harding IV

RECORD OF FELLOWSHIP: We are so glad you are here to worship with us. Please fill out the record of fellowship in the Red Book in each pew. We ask that each person check <u>all</u> the appropriate boxes and fill out their information on one line of the sheet and pass it on to the next person in the pew. For families, place each member on a <u>new line</u>. It is our hope that we will be able to better care for you with this information.

Attendance: (9/29)

Sunday Worship: 142 Sunday School: 13

Offerings: (9/29)

General (Checking)3590.00Teens for Christ (Savings)500.00Sunday School (Savings)14.00

Total 3654.00

To meet our 2024 budget goals, we need to average \$\frac{\$5048}{}\$ in our weekly offering collection

SCHEDULE	THE WEEK OF	OCTOBER 6-OCTOBER 13, 2024
Today		Wednesday (CONT.)
• 9:00 AM	Worship	• 6:00 PM Choir
• 10:00 AM	Fellowship	• 6:00 PM Confirmation-Midweek
• 10:15 AM	Sunday School	<u>Thursday</u>
Tuesday		• 1:30 PM LWML Mtg.
• 9:30 AM	Work Day	Next Sunday
• 1:30 PM	Women's Bible Study	• 9:00 AM Worship w/communion
• 7:00 PM	Elder's Mtg.	• 11:30 AM Voters Mtg.
Wednesday	-	• Ushers:
• 6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Reader:
• 5:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline	Acolyte: Nora Pownell
		Fellowship:

SERMON NOTES

DATE

MAIN VERSE

Notes

I Learned....

Questions?

Today's Prayer

PRAY MORE worry less