

“Let not your hearts be troubled.
Believe in God; believe also in me.
In my Father’s house are many rooms.

If it were not so,
would I have told you that I go
to prepare a place for you?”

John 14:1



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PRELUDE: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Donald Rotermund

(Text for meditation: See the Hymn of the Day)

OPENING HYMN: "Father, We Praise Thee"

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1 Fa - ther, we praise Thee, now the night is o - ver, Ac - tive and
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for Thy man - sions; Ban - ish our
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty



watch - ful, stand we all be - fore Thee; Sing - ing, we of - fer
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing; Bring us to heav - en,
bless - ed, send us Thy sal - va - tion; Thine is the glo - ry,



prayer and med - i - ta - tion: Thus we a - dore Thee.
where Thy saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

(Antiphon, Ps. 98:1, 2; Ps. 98:1-2, 4)

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, alleluia, for he has done marvelous things, alle- | luia.*

He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia, allelu-
ia, alle- | luia.

**His right hand and his | holy arm*
have worked salva- | tion for him.**

The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*

break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia, allelu-
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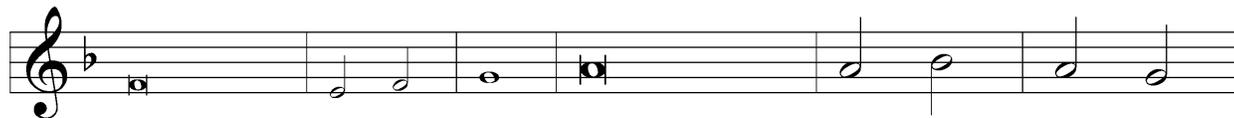


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

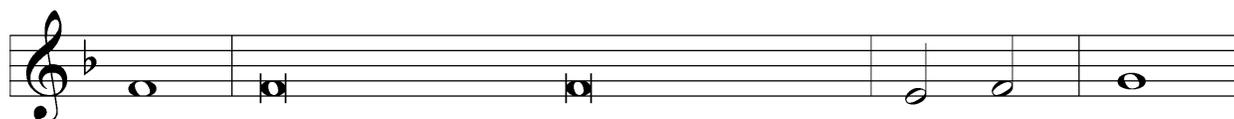


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,

we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

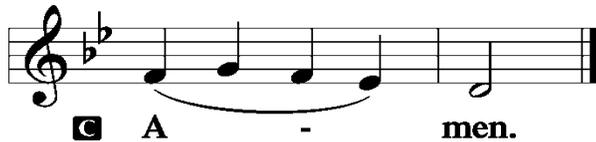
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

PO God, who makes the minds of the faithful to be of one will, grant unto Your people that they may love what You command and desire what You promise, that among the manifold changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

FIRST LESSON

Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen.

And Stephen said: "Brothers and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran,

"You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it."

Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And

the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

Psalm 33

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!*

Praise befits the | upright.

Give thanks to the LORD | with the lyre;*

make melody to him with the harp of | ten strings!

Sing to him a | new song;*

play skillfully on the strings, with | loud shouts.

For the word of the LORD is | upright,*

and all his work is done in | faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and | justice;*

the earth is full of the steadfast love | of the LORD.

By the word of the LORD the heav- | ens were made,*

and by the breath of his mouth | all their host.

He gathers the waters of the sea | as a heap;*

he puts the deeps in | storehouses.

Let all the earth | fear the LORD;*

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in | awe of him!

For he spoke, and it | came to be;*

he commanded, and it | stood firm.

The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to | nothing;*

he frustrates the plans of the | peoples.

The counsel of the LORD stands for- | ever,*

the plans of his heart to all gener- | ations.

Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,*

the people whom he has chosen as his | heritage!

The LORD looks down from | heaven;*

he sees all the chil- | dren of man;

from where he sits enthroned he | looks out*

on all the inhabitants | of the earth,

he who fashions the hearts | of them all*

and observes | all their deeds.

The king is not saved by his great | army;*

a warrior is not delivered by his | great strength.

The war horse is a false hope for sal- | vation,*

and by its great might it cannot | rescue.

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear him,*

on those who hope in his | steadfast love,

that he may deliver their | soul from death*

and keep them alive in | famine.

Our soul waits | for the LORD;*
he is our help | and our shield.
For our heart is | glad in him,*
because we trust in his | holy name.
Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be up- | on us,*
even as we | hope in you.

EPISTLE

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord. No one comes to the Father except through me.



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

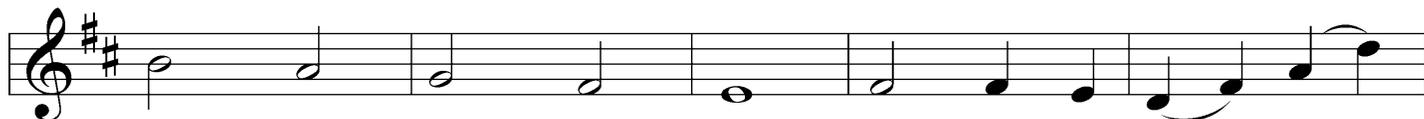
CHILDREN'S SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com-fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

SERMON

Stand

OFFERTORY



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Sit

Choir: "Thou Art the Way"

Richard Warner

*Thou art the Way; to Thee alone
From sin and death we flee;
And he who would the Father seek
Must seek Him, Lord, by Thee.*

*Thou art the Truth; Thy Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
Thou only canst inform the mind
And purify the heart.*

*Thou art the Life; the rending tomb
Proclaims Thy conquering arm,
And those who put their trust in Thee
Not death nor hell shall harm.*

*Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life;
Grant us that Way to know,
That truth to keep, that Life to win,
Whose joys eternal flow.*

- George W. Doane, 1799-1859

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

A Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

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 A-men, a-men, a - men.

CLOSING HYMN: "Praise Be to Christ"

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1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the
 2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -
 3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and
 a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our
 God - head shares; And yet our hu - man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,
 world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,
 man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and
 Re - demp - tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born
 Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.
 from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.
 sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

POSTLUDE: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Jan Bender

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Nancy: Steve Lakes mother undergoing treatment for reoccurring cancer.

Paul Bergstom: Friend of Jessica O'Loughlin in Seattle who caught himself on fire while making coffee, went to hospital with 3rd degree burns on 14.5 percent of body and in much pain. Had to have skin grafts.

Kelly H. Robert: Friend of Jessica O'Loughlin who has diabetes type 2. Kelly's son is out of work in New Jersey with 3 grandchildren. She is mentally challenged.



CPH offers free resources amid COVID-19 shutdown

While we welcome in-person worship services with limited capacity starting this Sunday, many of us will continue to shelter in place. Parents: are the school materials wearing thin? Are you looking for resources as you teach children at home? Workers from home: Would you like faith-based reading material for your "break room"? Senior Saints: looking for personal Bible study materials (because what's in the house has been read)? Concordia Publishing House is offering free resources for a limited time. Of particular interest to parents: scroll to the bottom of the bulleted list to find a hymnal scavenger hunt completed through the internet for your elementary-aged children and coloring pages for the smaller ones. Adults may enjoy accessing Books of the Bible Study Questions, free when you sign up for them. Lots of materials to keep us growing in our faith during this time are available with just a click

Go to:

<https://blogs.lcms.org/2020/cph-offers-free-resources-amid-covid-19-shutdown/>
for these opportunities.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Kitchen Project

We are needing approximately \$10K to complete the kitchen remodeling project. The additional funding will pay for a new stove, counter tops, exhaust hood, and hardware for the new kitchen cabinets. Please donate what you can to help us complete this project. Thank you for your support. We currently have \$1,744.45

~The Kitchen Committee

ST. JOHN'S HEAT & AIR FUND

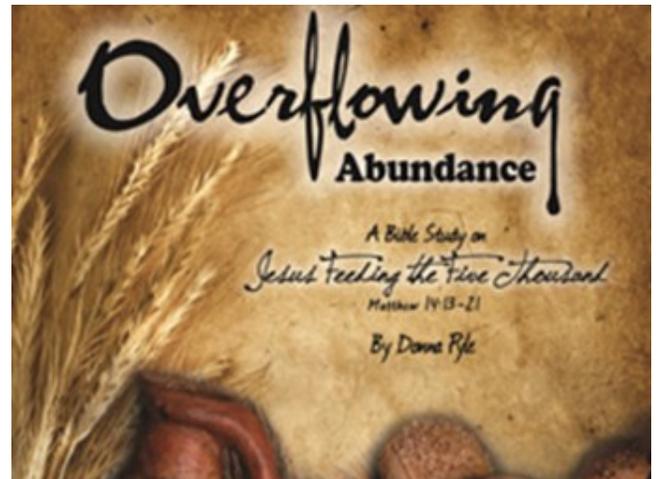
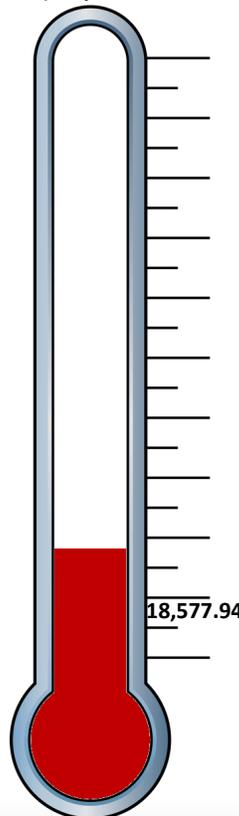
Several of our old heat and air units here at the church really need to be replaced as soon as possible, in order to do that \$61,300 will need to be collected and put into the heat and air fund. Considering we have about 125 active members, that would average to about \$500 per person. If you would like to donate please mark envelopes "St. John's heat & air fund"

Our current fund only has about \$18,577.94, but if systems don't get replaced soon that money will quickly get depleted as we pay to maintain our old heat & air units. Keep an eye on the bulletin for updates.

Please and Thank you!
~Ricco

GOAL!

\$61,3000



LWML Facebook Live *Overflowing Abundance* Bible Study Series

In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me
(Psalm 86:7).

In *Overflowing Abundance*, we look at the Biblical account of Jesus feeding the five thousand. Author, Donna (Pyle) Snow reminds us, "Instead of irritation or anger about thwarted plans, Jesus experiences compassion. He understands His mission is to teach about the kingdom of God, to allow people to glimpse it in Him."

Donna Snow will be live on Facebook each Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. central time for 30 minutes of Bible study until June 2. Go to lwml.org to register online. Download a free copy of *Overflowing Abundance* a:

<https://www.lwml.org/posts/shoplwml/lwml68932>

Join your friends world-wide as we delve into Matthew 14:13-21.

GET TO KNOW YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Get Involved, Make a Difference.

ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Sunday School	Sundays, 9:15am	
Youth Group	Sundays, 9:15am	School
Handbell Choir	Mondays, 5:45pm	Sanctuary
Choir	Mondays, 6:45pm	Choir Loft
Tuesday Night Bible Class	Tuesdays, 6:00pm (we skip the 1st Tuesday of each month)	Blanchard Hall
Senior Saints	2nd & 4th Tuesday each month	Blanchard Hall
LWML	1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm	Blanchard Hall
Mission Board	2nd Tuesday each month, 7:00pm	Library
Quilters	Wednesdays, 9:00am-11:00am	Blanchard Hall
Wednesday Bible Study	Wednesdays, 11:00am	Sanctuary
In Christ Alone Bible Study	Thursdays, 7:00pm	Varies
Men's Bible Study	3rd Saturday every month, 08:00am	Blanchard Hall

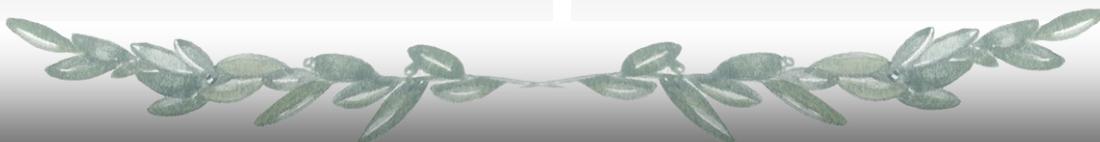
IF YOU'RE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE PLEASE REFER TO THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE WEST HALLWAY!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

May 15th
Garry & Linda Hinrichs

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 10th: Carter Riley
May 11th: Stephen Mathes
May 13th: Sherri Tolman
May 15th: Walker Fools
May 16th: Troy Levendusky, Danily Graumann



After much prayer and due to the forgoing concerns of the COVID-19, we have decided to cancel VBS for this year. We believe it is in the best interest in our church, our community, our volunteers, and our students. We had so many fun things planned this year and we are already looking forward to bringing those things to next year's VBS!!

**You may now view the Wednesday
and Sunday Sermons online at:
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**There is also a link to our YouTube channel on that page if
you would like to view a previous week's sermon.**

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