

Welcome! We are happy to share God's peace with everyone. Visitors are invited to sign our guest book in the entryway. If you have any questions, the ushers are ready to help. Feel free to visit after the service.

- Aids to assist with hearing (Williams Sound System) are available from the ushers.
- Printed copies of the sermon are available on the tract desk.
- Large Print Service binders can be found on the tract desk.
- Personal prayers for use before church or during the week are printed on p. 255- 258 in the hymnal.
- For a personal preparation for Holy Communion, please see pages 295-296 in your hymnal.

Please note: the Sunday service is being recorded and streamed on YouTube.

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Our Lord teaches in his Word that in Communion we receive Jesus' true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine, and that participation is also a declaration that we believe what our fellow communicants believe. In obedience to God's Word, then, we ask that only those who agree on all points of teaching—those who belong to a WELS or ELS church—

and are confirmed partake in the Lord's Supper today. If you are not a member of WELS or ELS church but would like to pursue that unity of faith, or if you have questions, please speak with Pastor.

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740 O God, My Faithful God

CW 740

- 1 O God, my faithful God,
O Fountain ever flowing,
who good and perfect gifts
in mercy are bestowing,
give me a healthy frame,
and may I have within
a conscience free from blame,
a soul unhurt by sin.
- 2 Grant me the strength to do
with ready heart and willing
whatever you command,
my calling here fulfilling,
that I do what I should
while trusting you to bless
the outcome for my good,
for you must give success.
- 3 Keep me from saying things
that later need recalling;
grant that no idle words

may from my lips be falling,
but when within my place
I must and ought to speak,
then fill my words with grace
lest I offend the weak.

Please stand for the final stanza

4 Lord, let me win my foes
with kindly words and actions,
and let me find good friends
for counsel and correction.
Help me, as you have taught,
to love both great and small
and by your Spirit's might
to live in peace with all.

Text: Johann Heermann, 1585–1647, abr.; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
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In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the
Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

CW 188

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and
the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts,
words, and actions.**

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

**I deserve your punishment both now and
forever.**

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a
sinner.**

(Silence for meditation and reflection)

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us.

**He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as
the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.**

**Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his
authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the
Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

CW 190

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest

CW 191

***Refrain:* Glory to God in the highest, glory to God, and peace to his people on earth, and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen. *Refrain*

THE WORD

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness, keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Be seated)

First Reading

1 Chronicles 29:1-2,10-18

¹King David said this to the whole assembly:

My son Solomon, the one God has chosen, is young and inexperienced. The work is great because this citadel is not for a man. It is for the LORD God.

²According to all my strength, I have provided these things for the house of my God: gold for the gold items, silver for the silver items, bronze for the bronze, iron for the iron, wood for the wooden, onyx stones and settings, antimony, stones of many different colors, every kind of precious stone, and alabaster in abundance.

¹⁰David blessed the LORD in the presence of the entire assembly. He said:

Blessed are you, LORD, the God of Israel, our father, from eternity to eternity. ¹¹To you, O LORD, belong greatness, power, glory, victory, and majesty, because everything in the heavens and on the earth belongs to you. You, LORD, are exalted as head above everything. The kingdom belongs to you. ¹²Riches and honor come from you. You are ruling over everything. In your hand are power and strength. It is in your power to make anyone great and strong. ¹³Now, our God, we are thanking you and praising your glorious name.

¹⁴Who am I? Who are my people that we are able to offer willingly like this? For everything comes from you. What we have given to you came from your hand. ¹⁵We are aliens and temporary residents before you, as were

all our fathers. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no hope of staying.

¹⁶ LORD, our God, all this abundance, which we have provided for building a house for you, for your holy name, is from your hand. This abundance belongs to you.

¹⁷I know, my God, that you test the heart, and you take pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things. Now with joy I see your people, who are present here to bring the offering freely to you.

¹⁸ LORD, the God of our fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, preserve forever this purpose and way of thinking in the heart of your people. Direct their heart to you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

62 In God Alone My Soul Can Find Rest and Peace *Psalms 62*

Refrain

**In God alone my soul can find rest and peace,
in God my peace and joy.**

**Only in God my soul can find its rest,
find its rest and peace.**

Truly my soul finds / rest in God;
my salvation / comes from him.
Truly he is my rock and my sal- / vation;
he is my fortress, I will never be / shaken.
Yes, my soul, find / rest in God;
my hope / comes from him. *Refrain*

Though your rich- / es increase,
do not set your / heart on them.
My salvation and my honor de- / pend on God;
he is my mighty rock, my / refuge.
Trust in him at all times, you / people;
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our / refuge.
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. *Refrain*

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:1–5, 11–12

¹Paul, Silas, and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ:
²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ.
³We are always obligated to thank God for you,
brothers, as is fitting, because your faith is growing

more and more, and the love that each and every one of you has for one another is increasing. ⁴So we ourselves boast about you in God's churches in regard to your patient endurance and faith in all your persecutions and in the trials that you are enduring. ⁵This is evidence of God's righteous verdict that resulted in your being counted worthy of God's kingdom, for which you also suffer.

¹¹For this reason, we are always praying for you, that our God will make you worthy of your calling and use his power to fulfill every good desire and work of your faith, ¹²so that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you and you in him, in keeping with the grace of our God and Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

Gospel Acclamation

1 Chronicles 29:14

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Who am I, and who are my people,
that we should be able to give as generously as this?
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:1–10

¹Jesus said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! ²It would be better for that person if a millstone would be hung around his neck and he would be thrown into the sea than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. ³Watch yourselves.

“If your brother sins, rebuke him. If he repents, forgive him. ⁴Even if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times returns to you and says, ‘I repent,’ forgive him.”

⁵The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith.”

⁶The Lord said, “If you had faith like a mustard seed, you could tell this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you. ⁷Which one of you who has a servant plowing or taking care of sheep will say to him when he comes in from the field, ‘Come at once and recline at the table’? ⁸Won't the master tell him instead, ‘Prepare my supper, and after you are properly dressed, serve me while I eat and drink. After that you may eat and drink’? ⁹He does not thank the servant because he did what he was commanded to do, does he? ¹⁰So also you, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants. We have only done what we were supposed to do.’”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

(Be seated)

748 Brothers, Sisters, Let Us Gladly

CW 748

- 1 Brothers, sisters, let us gladly
give to God our all, our best:
service hearty, thorough, honest,
with a living love impressed.
All our duty, all our striving,
all our time to him belong;
praise him, then, with true devotion,
come before him with a song.
- 2 By his mercy, by his bounty,
by the gift of Christ, his Son,
what great goodness he has shown us,
what high marvels he has done!
Let us to him promptly, freely,
yield our bodies and our souls,
thankful that his love protects us,
that his wisdom all controls.
- 3 Gracious Lord, accept our service
for the sake of Christ, your Son;
lo, our hope abides now only
in the righteousness he won.
Bless and save us, help and guide us,
watch to comfort and restore,

till in heav'n we rest rejoicing,
praising you forevermore.

Text: Henry Bateman, 1802–1872

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Sermon

Luke 17:1-10

God Enables Us

I. To forgive (1-4)

II. To be powerful (5-6)

III. To be humble (7-10)

(Stand)

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son
of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from
true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who in unity with the Father and the Son

is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**
(Be seated)

Prayer of the Church

Offering

THE SACRAMENT
(Stand)

Preface

CW 199

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd

his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 200

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.**

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Amen.

Lamb of God

CW 202

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us, grant us peace.

(Be seated)

Distribution

(As he distributes the elements, the minister says to the communicants:)

Take and eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take and drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, poured out for the forgiveness of your sins.

(As he dismisses the communicants, the minister says:)

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go ✝ in peace.

Amen.

660 Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face CW 660

1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face;
here would I touch and handle things unseen,
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
and all my weariness upon you lean.

- 2 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
this is the heav'nly table spread anew.
Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong
the brief bright hour of fellowship with you.
- 3 I have no help but yours nor do I need
another arm but yours to lean upon.
It is enough, O Lord, enough indeed;
my strength is in your might, your might alone.
- 4 Mine is the sin but yours the righteousness;
mine is the guilt but yours the cleansing blood.
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace:
your blood, your righteousness, O Lord, my God.
- 5 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear;
the feast, though not the love, is past and gone.
The bread and wine remove, but you are here,
nearer than ever, still my shield and sun.
- 6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
the Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, abr., alt.

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661 Draw Near and Take the Body of Your Lord CW 661

- 1 Draw near and take the body of your Lord,
and drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Saved by his body and his holy blood,
with souls refreshed we give our thanks to God.
- 2 Christ our Redeemer, God's eternal Son,
has by his cross and blood the vict'ry won.
He gave his life for greatest and for least,
himself the off'ring and himself the priest.
- 3 Let us approach with faithful hearts sincere
and take the pledges of salvation here.
Christ, who in this life all the saints defends,
gives all believers life that never ends.
- 4 With heav'nly bread he makes the hungry whole,
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
Lord of the nations, to whom all must bow,
in this great feast of love be with us now.

Text: Latin, 7th cent., abr.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.

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(Stand)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving-kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

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.

Amen.

608 Glory Be to God the Father

CW 608

- 1 Glory be to God the Father,
 glory be to God the Son,
 glory be to God the Spirit:
 great Jehovah, Three in One!
 Glory, glory while eternal ages run!
- 2 Glory be to him who loved us,
 washed us from each spot and stain;
 glory be to him who bought us,

made us kings with him to reign!
 Glory, glory to the Lamb that once was slain!
 3 Glory to the King of angels,
 glory to the Church's King,
 glory to the King of nations;
 heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
 Glory, glory to the King of glory sing!
 4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
 thus the choir of angels sings;
 Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
 thus its praise creation brings.
 Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!

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Setting Three from Christian Worship

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Upcoming Events

Sunday 10/05/2025.....9:00 AM Communion Service
 Monday 10/06/2025.....7:00 PM Communion Service
 Tuesday 10/07/2025.....6:30 PM Mega Meeting
 Sunday 10/12/2025.....9:00 AM Worship Service
 Monday 10/13/2025.....7:00 PM Worship Service

Attendance

Sunday Service Attendance: 91 Monday Service: 24
 Sunday School: 12 Bible Class 14

Our Time to Our Lord

October Servers

Sundays Paul & Silas Schultz, Carter Korthals, Eri Korthals

Monday: David Atkins

Finance: Gabe Fall, Sam Korthals, Carter Korthals

Altar Guild: Fran Emling & Theresa Atkins

Organist: Olivia Marker

Sunday Morning Bible Class: History of the WELS

Snack Volunteers:

October 5: Einhardt and Arnold---October 12 Dudewicz: ---

October 19: Schultz October 26: Solgat---November 2: MLS

Concert Choir

Our Talents to Our Lord

LWMS Fall Rally: All mission minded ladies, men, and students are invited to the LWMS fall rally at **St. Paul's in Mayville, October 18th, 9:00 AM**. If you have collected LWMS monies, they can be given to Deb Gorsegner.

Speaker: Pastor Mark Eckert---**Campus Ministry – MSU**

Harvest Festival: Please pen into your calendars this year's Harvest Festival (for those using an actual calendar) otherwise get it into your phone calendar! Fellowship, Fun, and Food. As in 'days of yore' let's make this a Harvest Festival to remember. Come one, come all! **October 25th at the school, time TBD.**

MLS Concert Choir: St. Luke's has the privilege of hosting the MLS Concert Choir! **They will be here on November 2nd**, bringing us the word of God in song. We are known as the church that does not disappoint when it comes to their snacks and brunch. Put on your thinking caps to plan your delicious goodness. Don't miss this beautiful opportunity.

The Vassar Food Pantry: The Vassar Food Pantry is in great need of cereal, and St. Luke's is joining the community with the 2025 Cereal Challenge! From October 1st – 16th, you can help by bringing boxes of cereal and placing them in the collection box outside the secretary's office. Every donation makes a difference. Thank you for supporting our neighbors in need!

Our **Treasures** to Our Lord

Budgetary Gifts: \$4,315.00

Memorial Gifts for Vera Talaski: \$140.00

Sunday School: \$43.00

Parking Lot Fund: \$125.00

Christian Aid Relief: \$70.00

*These offerings reflect our worship services on
September 25, 28, 29*



Michigan Lutheran Seminary News

Braylin plays on the Varsity Football team

Phoebe and Piper run cross country

Their schedules are on the MLS bulletin board!

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Football: October 10th Hemlock, home...October 17th at Reese

Cross Country: October 7th at Freeland, October 11th at Mayville

Join us on Friday, October 10, 2025, as the Cardinals host Hemlock for our **Salute to Service** football game. All active and retired service members will receive complimentary admission as we honor their sacrifice and dedication. MLS alumni veterans will also receive a special **Salute to Service shirt** and a **meal ticket** as a token of our gratitude.

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Michigan Lutheran Seminary Fall Band Concert: The MLS Band and Shadows invite you to their Fall Concert! The evening will feature a wide variety of music, including Highlights from The Music Man, Carnaval in São Paulo, and Down by the Riverside. The concert will take place on November 2 at 6:30 pm in the MLS Chapel. We hope to see you there!

MLS Presents: The Diary of Anne Frank: MLS Drama is pleased to present "*The Diary of Anne Frank*" on November 15-16. An impassioned drama about the lives of eight people hiding from the Nazis in a concealed storage attic, "*The Diary of Anne Frank*" captures the claustrophobic realities of their daily existence - their fear, their hope, their laughter, their grief. Tickets are available for purchase at www.mlsem.org starting on October 15 at 10:00 am. Showtimes are Saturday at 6:30 pm and Sunday at 3:00 pm.

