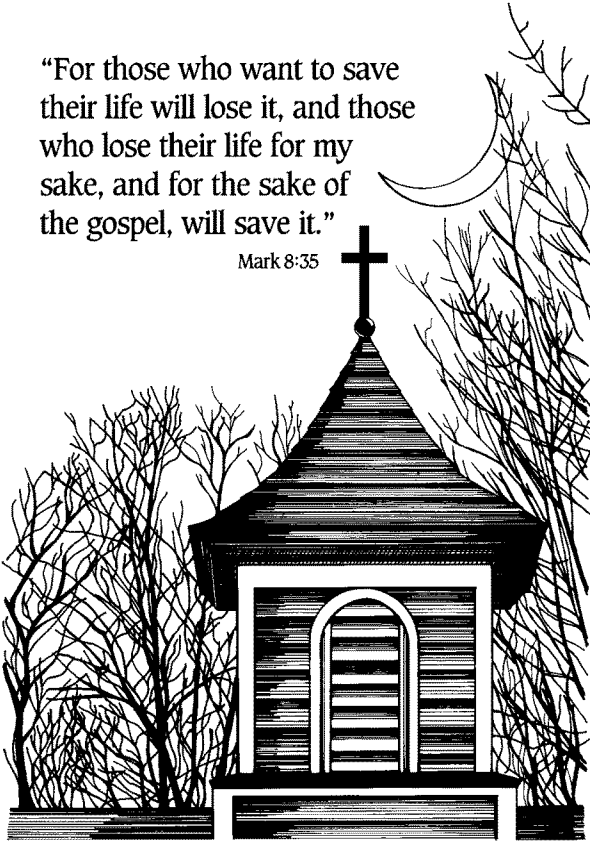


“For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.”

Mark 8:35



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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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PRAYER: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we might reverently hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your Holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, through whose name alone we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (798:1,2,4)

HYMNS: 231; 421; 399; 759:1,3

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 3:1-14

When the Lord appeared to Moses in the burning bush He was calling Moses to a Life of service. God was well aware of the oppression of slavery with which the people of Israel were afflicted. He sent Moses to lead His people out of slavery into the Promised Land. Moses should not hesitate or worry that he was not up to the task, for the power and authority were from God. Moses need only remind the people that the Lord had sent him to them. So also the Lord calls us, not only to faith, but also to a life of service. We also have a message from the Lord that He would set those whom He has chosen free from the oppression of sin and death. The power and authority continues to be the Lord's.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 16:11-15

When the Apostle Paul and Silas came to Philippi and presented the gospel of Christ, there was in the audience a woman named Lydia. "The Lord opened her heart to heed the things spoken by Paul"(v.14). She was not only baptized that day along with her household, but opened her house to them, insisting they stay with her, and began to openly serve the Lord.

THE SERMON: Mark 8:34-38

Theme: The Meaning of Discipleship

- I. Deny Oneself
- II. Take Up One's Cross
- III. Follow Jesus

CALENDAR

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship 9:30. Sermon text: Exodus 17:1-7.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

August 10-16: Pastor on vacation. Pastor-emeritus Daniel Fleischer has agreed to cover the service in Pastor Barthels' absence.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Phil Egtvedt, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: July 19 Worship - 32

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 1,221.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$405.00
Needed for Year:	\$34,260.00		
Received for Year:	\$25,403.00		

The special offerings for the street assessment now total **\$4970.00**. Our original goal for this offering was \$5127.39. While **there may be additional charges added** to the **original** assessment estimate of \$13,898.29, we are nearing our objective of paying the total assessment this fall. We thank the Lord who has opened hearts to give generously to cover this exceptional expense.

CLC NEWS:

Immanuel Clothing: Immanuel Clothing: With the July 31 deadline, this is the last week to order Immanuel clothing online. A lot of different choices are available such as shirts, shorts, jackets, hats, etc. There's an option to ship or pick up in Eau Claire. Go to: www.cv-sports.com/Promotions.aspx, find the "Immanuel Lutheran" line, and click on "Go." Contact Andy for questions (andy.buck@cv-sports.com/715.836.6840).