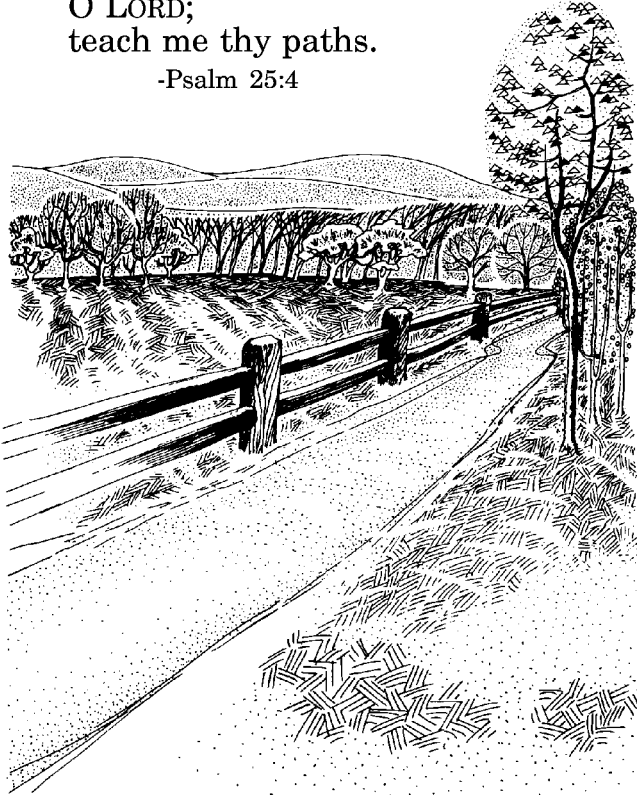


Make me to know thy ways,  
O LORD;  
teach me thy paths.

-Psalm 25:4



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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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**PRAYER:** Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, and yet You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE:** p. 5 (248:1-3)

**HYMNS:** 398; 324; 412; 409:1

**THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT:** (Psalm 119:65-72)

<sup>65</sup> You have dealt well with Your servant,

**O Lord, according to Your word.**

<sup>66</sup> Teach me good judgment and knowledge,

**For I believe Your commandments.**

<sup>67</sup> Before I was afflicted I went astray,

**But now I keep Your word.**

<sup>68</sup> You *are* good, and do good;

**Teach me Your statutes.**

<sup>69</sup> The proud have forged a lie against me,

**But I will keep Your precepts with *my* whole heart.**

<sup>71</sup> *It is* good for me that I have been afflicted,

**That I may learn Your statutes.**

<sup>72</sup> The law of Your mouth *is* better to me

**Than thousands of *coins of gold and silver.***

*Glory be to the Father...*

**THE EPISTLE LESSON:** Romans 4:18-25

“Abraham, contrary to hope, in hope believed.” What the world says is beyond hope and cannot come to pass, will come to pass if it is according to the words and promises of God. God told a childless Abraham that he would be the father of many nations. Abraham believed the promise of God, giving glory to God. His faith was accounted to him as righteousness. Our hope is in the Lord!

**THE GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 9:9-13

Jesus calls Matthew, a tax collector for Rome, and so despised as a sinner by society, to be one of His disciples. That day many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with Jesus. In response to the objections of the Pharisees, Jesus reminds them of the words of Hosea found in our sermon text, "I desire mercy and not sacrifice." Jesus came to call sinners to repentance. May we, by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit, continuously heed that gracious call.

**THE SERMON:** Hosea 5:15-6:6

**Theme:** God's Love Is Greater than Our Sin

- I. God's Tough Love
- II. The Promise of Repentance
- III. What God Desires in a Life of Repentance.

CALENDAR

**TODAY:** Sunday school and Bible Class are in summer recess.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Worship at 9:30. *Sermon text: Romans 5:6-11.*

SERVING TODAY

**Organist:** Denise Barthels

**Ushers:** Melvin Eichstadt, Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Preston Johnson

**June Cleaning:** Ubl

**June Lawn Mowing:** Leon Hellickson

**July Cleaning – Barthels**

**July Lawn Mowing:** Joe Ubl

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:**

Attendance: June 18 worship – 14

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$730.00	
Needed for Year:	\$30,175.00	
Received for Year:	\$23,665.00	

**CLC NEWS:** Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ, has called Teacher Amy Osborne, Holy Trinity Lutheran, West Columbia SC, to teach K-8. <> Faith Lutheran, Markesan WI, has called Principal Nathan Wales of Holy Trinity, West Columbia SC, to teach grades 3-5 and be principal. <> St. Luke's Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has called the Rev. James Albrecht, pastor of St.

John's Lutheran, Okabena MN. <> The Rev. John Hein, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, has accepted the call from the CLC Board of Missions to be the Part-Time Visiting Missionary to Liberia.

**Hymn 248:1-3 Father of Glory, to Thy Name**

Father of glory, to Thy name  
Immortal praise we give  
Who dost an act of grace proclaim  
And bid us rebels live.

Immortal honor to the Son,  
Who makes Thine anger cease;  
Our lives He ransomed with His own  
And died to make our peace

To Thine almighty Spirit be  
Immortal glory giv'n,  
Whose teachings bring us near to Thee  
And train us up for heav'n.