

"I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself." Exodus 19:4

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Affiliated with CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com www.CLClutheran.org www.ilc.edu/home.htm <u>PRESERVICE PRAYER</u> Oh Lord, who has caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our edification, grant us Your Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to reverently hear Your Word, and hearing that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of your glory revealed in our salvation in Jesus Christ. Grant that, having fed our souls upon the Bread of life, we may be invigorated to live our lives to the glory of our Savior's name. It is in His name alone that we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 22 Worship Supplement 2000)

## HYMN 44: Ye Lands, to the Lord Make a Jubilant Noise

1. Ye lands, to the Lord make a jubilant noise; Glory be to God! Oh, serve Him with joy, In His presence now rejoice; Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

2. Not we, but the Lord is our Maker, our God; Glory be to God! His people we are, and the sheep led by His rod; Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

3. Oh, enter His gates with thanksgiving and praise; Glory be to God! To bless Him and thank Him our voices we will raise; Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

4. For good is the Lord, and His mercy is sure; Glory be to God! To all generations His truth shall still endure; Sing praise unto God out of Zion!

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.** 

P: God is light and Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C:** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Together let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us.

Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven! With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

# C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**.

# COLLECT FOR THE DAY

## THE EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 5:6-11

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. <sup>10</sup> For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. <sup>11</sup> And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.. (NKJV)

## THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 9:35-10:8

<sup>35</sup>Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. <sup>36</sup>But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly *is* plentiful, but the laborers *are* few.

<sup>38</sup>Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

10 And when He had called His twelve disciples to *Him*, He gave them power *over* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the *son* of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Cananite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed Him.

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: "Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. <sup>6</sup> But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup> And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' <sup>8</sup> Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. (NKJV)

#### THE APOSTLES CREED

#### **398: Renew Me, O Eternal Light**

1. Renew me, O eternal Light, and let my heart and soul be bright, Illumined with the light of grace That issues from Thy holy face.

2. Destroy in me in the lust of sin, From all impureness make me clean. Oh. Grant me pow'r and strength my God, To strive against my flesh and blood!

3. Create in me a new heart, Lord, That gladly I obey Thy Word And naught but what Thou wilt, desire; With such new life my soul inspire.

4. Grant that I only Thee may love And seek those things which are above

Till I behold Thee face to face, O Light eternal, through Thy grace.

#### THE SERMON: Exodus 19:2-8a

Theme: Recognizing Divine Intervention in our Lives

- I. Deliverance by the Hand of God
- II. God's Goal in Deliverance
- III. Embracing God's Deliverance through a Life of Faith

SERMON TEXT: Exodus 19:2-8a

For they had departed from Rephidim, had come *to* the Wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness. So Israel camped there before the mountain.

<sup>3</sup> And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: <sup>4</sup> 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and *how* I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. <sup>5</sup> Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth *is* Mine. <sup>6</sup> And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These *are* the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

<sup>7</sup> So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him. <sup>8</sup>Then all the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." (NKJV)

# PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

# Hymn 408: Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory

1. Jesus Christ, my Pride and Glory, He, the true and living Light, Strengthens me with glorious might. Christ revealed in sacred story, Whom I now as Lord confess, Teaches me true holiness.

2. Let me live to praise Thee ever, Jesus, Thou my heart's Delight, Thou who leadest me aright. Let me cling to Thee forever, All the fleshly lusts deny, and the devil's hosts defy.

3. Grant me, Lord, Thy Holy Spirit, that in all I follow Him Lest the light of faith grow dim. Let me ever trust Thy merit, Let Thy blessing me attend, From all evil me defend.

4. From all pain and imperfection, Gracious Lord, deliver me, Heaven's glory let me see. Keep me under Thy direction That the grace Thou gavest me I may praise eternally.

Prayer: **C: Amen.** 

#### BENEDICTION; **C: Amen.**

#### Hymn 377:10 "All Blessing, Honor, Thanks, and Praise

10. All blessings, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit.
The God who saved me by His grace – All glory to His merit!
O Triune God in heaven above,
Who hast revealed Thy saving love,
Thy blessed name be hallowed.

## CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Pastor Barthels is scheduled to return home late this evening or early Monday. You may reach him on his cell # 507-219-2517.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Text: Matthew 13:44-52

## SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

July lawn mowing – Leon Hellickson. August lawn Mowing - Mike Nelson

# CLC Christian author Deborah Ude:

Take a refreshing walk, basking in the Sunshine. Deborah Ude's third book, "*Sunshine in Shadows*," is now available. This book paints the dark miasma of this life's valley of tears but shows the Light from above is shining. By faith we too must continually struggle, yet we do not walk in shadows but in the light of Christ's empty tomb. Though part of a series, this book stands on its own. Here is the link to its sale on Amazon: <u>https://tinyurl.com/SunshineinShadows</u>. (The digital version is \$2.99 and the printed paperback is \$11.99.) All three of Debi's books are also available in printed form at the CLC Bookstore or directly from John Ude, john.ude@ilc.edu.

Trip to Israel - A group trip to Israel, which has been planned for January 2021, is still scheduled and is now less than six months away. The dates are set for January 13-22, 2021 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. We currently have 17 members of CLC congregations registered for the trip, and over a dozen more have expressed an interest. The tour company is expecting that our tour will be possible, but they do have options available for us if it has to be cancelled due to the situation at that time. You are invited to join this group of like-minded believers as we see the places where God stepped into History to fulfill His plan of salvation for sinners! The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew (404-729-4602 or nnmayhew@sleepyeyelutheran.com). To see the trip brochure go to https://tinyurl.com/IsraelTrip2021