



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE

Welcome to worship, especially our guests! We are delighted to have you with us. If you are looking for a church home, we are happy to share ours with you. If we haven't seen you in a while, it is great to see you today! May God bless your time with us richly.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord Jesus Christ, you sent your disciples to proclaim your coming. Bless all the missions of your church, and enable your workers to gather in your harvest. Through them, show your love to the helpless, enlighten those in darkness, assist those in peril and need, and at last bring all your children home to yourself; you live and reign, now and forever.

SERVING TODAY

- Minister Pastor Jeffrey Grundmeier
- Organist Marie Kurth
- Ushers Tim & Ellen Heil Next week – Phil Brost, Travis Kurth

Acknowledgments

Setting Two from Christian Worship

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Words of Welcome / WELS Connection

Opening Hymn

CW 638 The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace

- The gospel shows the Father's grace, who sent his Son to save our race, proclaims how Jesus lived and died that we might thus be justified.
- 2 It sets the Lamb before our eyes, who made th'__atoning sacrifice and calls the souls with guilt oppressed to come and find eternal rest.
- 3 It brings the Savior's righteousness to robe our souls in royal dress; from all our guilt it brings release and gives the troubled conscience peace.
- It is the pow'r of God to save
 from sin and Satan and the grave;
 it works the faith which firmly clings
 to all the treasures which it brings.
- 5 It bears to all the tidings glad and bids their hearts no more be sad; the weary, burdened souls it cheers and banishes their guilty fears.

6 May we in faith its message learn nor thanklessly its blessings spurn; may we in faith its truth confess and praise the Lord, our righteousness.

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In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession

CW 172

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts. We have offended you and sinned against your holy law. We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done. Have mercy on us, Lord! Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever. **Amen.** Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174





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Glory to God in the Highest

CW 176



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

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. *Refrain*

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. Amen. *Refrain*

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The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, you granted your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Amos 7:10-15

Amos admits he was just a shepherd and arborer, yet he also was called by the LORD to prophecy.

¹⁰Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: "Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. ¹¹For this is what Amos is saying: " 'Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will surely go into exile, away from their native land.'"

¹²Then Amaziah said to Amos, "Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. ¹³Don't prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king's sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Amos answered Amaziah, "I was neither a prophet nor the son of a prophet, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from tending the flock and said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Your Word, O LORD, Is a Lamp

Psalm 78C



My people, hear my / teaching;

listen to the words / of my mouth.

I will utter hidden things, things / from of old things our ancestors have / told us.

We will not hide them from their de- / scendants; we will tell the next gener- / ation the praiseworthy deeds / of the LORD, his power, and the wonders / he has done. *Refrain*

He decreed statutes for / Jacob and established the law in / Israel, which he commanded our / ancestors to teach their / children,

so the next generation would know them, even the children yet / to be born,

and they in turn would tell their / children. Then they would put their / trust in God and would not forget his deeds but would keep / his commands.

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*

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Second Reading

Titus 1:5-9

The worker's authority is rooted in the fact he holds to God's Word and proclaims sound doctrine.

⁵The reason I left you in Crete was that you might put in order what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you. ⁶An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. ⁷Since an overseer manages God's household, he must be blameless not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. ⁸Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. ⁹He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** **Gospel Acclamation**

2 Timothy 1:7



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Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

It specifically says Jesus gave authority to the Twelve when he sent them out.

⁷Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

⁸These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. ⁹Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. ¹⁰Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. ¹¹And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them."

¹²They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

Hymn of the Day

- O Christians, haste, your mission high fulfilling, to tell to all the world that God is light, that he who made all nations is not willing one soul should perish, lost in shades of night. Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
- Behold how many thousands still are lying bound in the dreary prison-house of sin with none to tell them of the Savior's dying or of the life he died for them to win.
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
- Proclaim to ev'ry people, tongue, and nation that God, in whom they live and move, is love; tell how he stooped to save his lost creation and died on earth that they might live above.
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.
- Send heralds forth to bear the message glorious, give of your wealth to speed them on their way; pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious; O Christians, haste to bring the brighter day!
 Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace, tidings of Jesus, redemption and release.

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Sermon

Mark 6:7-13

You've Got What You Need

1. In God's Word 2. To Do God's Work

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Eternal God and Father, we thank you for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, and for fellowship with believers in our congregation and our synod.

Help us rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and use them faithfully.

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, Lord Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

Awaken us to opportunities to proclaim your message of love.

Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect. **Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer

Keep in your care those who are enduring chronic pain and incessant unhappiness, those enduring rejection and struggling with poverty, those mourning the loss of someone they loved. Bring healing and help and comfort and calm to everyone in distress.

Move us to act alone or join with others to provide help and support.

Special prayers

Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.

Thank Offering & Friendship Register

Members of Our Savior's give generous and free will gifts to honor the Lord and support our ministry of the gospel. Guests are welcome to give but should not feel obligated to do so.

As the offering is gathered, please sign the Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew.

Hymn

CW 716

O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

 O Christ, who called the Twelve to rise and follow you, forsaking old, familiar ways for ventures bold and new: grant us to hear your call to risk security and, bound in heart and will to you, find perfect liberty.

 O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for ages sealed, whose words and works awakened faith, the ways of God revealed: instruct us now, we pray, by your empow'ring Word. True teacher, be for all who seek their light, their life, their Lord.

 O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd never trod to serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim the nearer reign of God: send us on ways where faith transcends timidity,
 where love informs and hope sustains both life and ministry. O Christ, th'_apostles' Lord, the martyrs' strength and song, the crucified and risen King to whom the saints belong: though generations pass, our tribute still we bring, our hymns a sacrifice of praise, our lives an offering.

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Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours 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.**

Closing Hymn

CW 908 Go Forth and Preach the Gospel

- Go forth and preach the gospel to all who are in need. As witness to the Savior, go teach by word and deed. The Spirit is upon us, and sends us to declare good news of God's forgiveness to people ev'rywhere.
- 2 Go forth and preach the gospel to all who live in fear, and share the joyful message that God is always near. The Spirit is upon us, and sends us forth in peace to bring the poor glad tidings, that mercy may increase.
- Go forth and preach the gospel; go spread the news abroad!
 Proclaim to ev'ry nation the greatness of our God.
 The Spirit is upon us, that all may understand
 the promise of salvation revealed to ev'ry land.

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Thank you for worshiping with us. May your week be richly blessed!

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy - Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St. Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is <u>pastorm@mysaintpeter.org</u>.

Divine Call Meeting – Pastor Joshua Becker has declined and returned our Call. The next Call meeting will be Wednesday, July 24 at 6:30 pm.

School Registration Information – Registration for the 2024-25 school year will take place on Wednesday, July 31, 4-6 pm.

Please note that despite our best efforts, we were unable to find a teacher for our upper grades. Because of this, our school will offer grades Kindergarten through grade 6 this school year. Mrs. Zahrt will teach grades K-2, and Mrs. Krohn will teach grades 3-6. Please keep our church and school ministry in your prayers.

<u>Area Divine Call News</u> – Pastor Andy Buschkopf (Mountain of the Lord, Rib Mountain) has declined and returned the Divine Call to serve as an associate pastor at Risen Savior in Orlando, FL. Pastor Scott Wolfram (Divine Word, Plover, & The Word, Stevens Point) has received the Divine Call to serve St John Lutheran Church in Wrightstown, WI.

<u>Memorials</u> – We thank the following members and friends for their gifts to the given in memory of Bob Ruether: Lois Ruether, Tammy & Richard Beilke, Gerald & Lois Russ, Rick & Karen Leopold, Angie Marquis, Elaine Radtke, Bill & Sue Unruh.

Blessed be his memory. Thanks be to God for the love which led to these gifts.

Pick up today:

- Annual Report
- August issue of Forward in Christ
- July church newsletter

This Week at Our Savior's						
Today	9:00 AM	Worship / WELS Connection				
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Divine Call Meeting				
Saturday		Our Savior's Day at Dime & Dollar				
Sunday 7/28	9:00 AM	Worship with Holy Communion				

Growing Together July147, 2024									
<u>Weekly</u> \$3,480.00	<u>Vision</u> \$290.00	<u>Debt</u> \$130.		<u>Sund</u> \$5.00	ay School	Ascension \$10.00	<u>Missions</u> \$25.00		
<u>Plate</u> \$78.00	<u>OSS Tuitior</u> \$100.00	<u>n Asst</u>	<u>NLH</u> \$10.0		<u>Memorial</u> \$40.00	<u>Grenada</u> \$10.00	1		
Anticipated Weekly Offerings \$4,077									
Attendance: Sunday, July 14 – 65									

Sharing God's Love In Jesus – A new Bible Information Class, "Life's Big Questions", will begin on Monday, August 19th, at 6:30 pm in the lower level of the Ministry Center at the Schofield Campus. Please think of friends, co-workers, neighbors whom you could invite to attend! Members of Our Savior's are also welcome to attend for a review of the main teachings of the Christian faith.

New Mission Update – The Core Group for the new mission start in Kronenwetter will meet at 6 pm today, July 21st, at Northland. Pastor Fred Berger's installation as the missionary pastor is scheduled for Sunday, September 15th, at 4:00 pm. There will likely be refreshments or a meal to follow. Look for more information, and all WELS members from the area are invited and encouraged to come and celebrate this joyous occasion!

Elephant Ears at the Fair!

Our Savior's School will again work at the Wausau Noon Optimist's Elephant Ear stand. No experience is needed - training will be given before your shift. You'll receive free admission to the fair for the day that you work.

We need volunteers! If you're willing to help us on Friday or Saturday, August 2 or 3, please contact Beth Krohn or sign up online:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FA9AE22A3FCCF8osselephant#/

30th Annual Wildcat Open – Join the fun on August 10 at Pine Valley in Marathon for NLHS' annual golf outing. Check in begins at 9:00 a.m. with 10:00 a.m. shotgun start. To register before August 1st or become a sponsor; forms are in the Northland office or online at nlhs.org.

Our Savior's Day at Dime & Dollar – Our Savior's provides workers on the 4th Saturday of the month (July 27) at Dime & Dollar Thrift Store, which supports Northland LHS. If you can give three hours, either morning or afternoon, please let Judy Wastrack know.



Growing in Jesus, Sharing His Love

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