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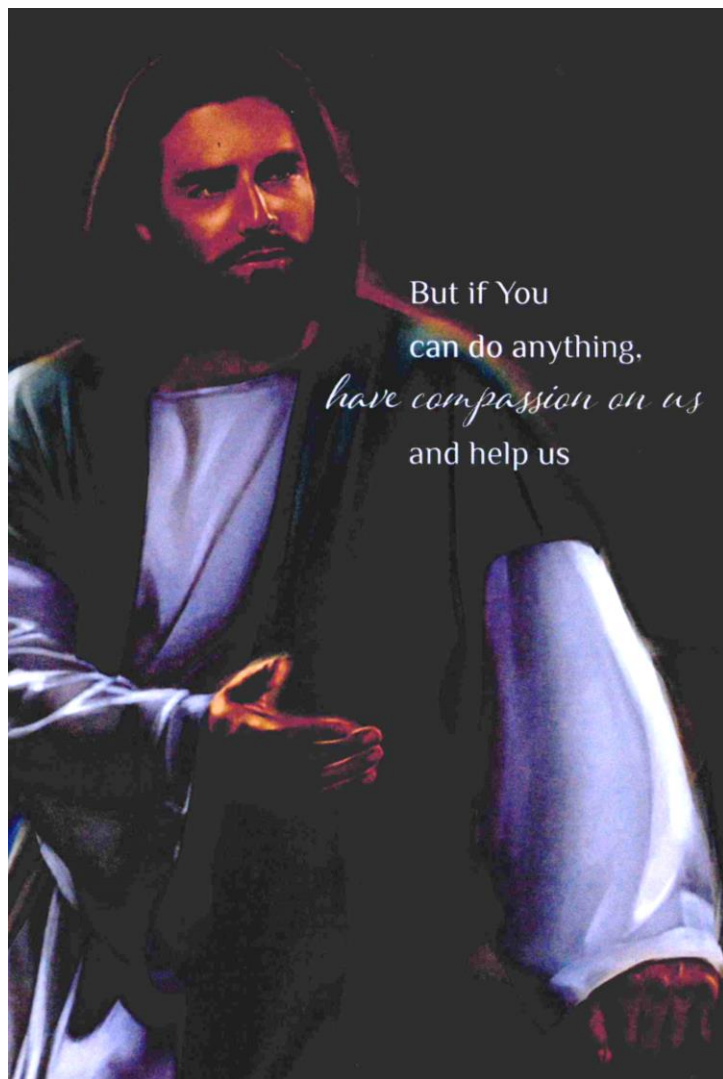
Embrace His Gifts

Announce His coming

Commit to Christian Living

Honor His Word

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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Pastor Ron Moritz, Deacon Ed Smallcombe

Communion Sunday, September 15, 2024

Opening Hymn "Evening and Morning" vs 1 & 2

THE INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

P: Let us then confess our sins to God the Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**



17th Sunday after Pentecost

O.T. Isaiah 50:4-10 ⁴The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. ⁵The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious; I have not turned away. ⁶I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! ⁹It is the Sovereign Lord who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up. ¹⁰Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the word of his servant? Let the one who walks in the dark, who has no light, trust in the name of the Lord and rely on their God.

Epistle –James 3:1-12 Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ²We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check. ³When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹²My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

Gospel- Mark 9:14-29 - ¹⁴When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. ¹⁵As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him. ¹⁶**“What are you arguing with them about?”** he asked. ¹⁷A man in the crowd answered, “Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not.” ¹⁹**“You unbelieving generation,”** Jesus replied, **“how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me.”** ²⁰So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. ²¹Jesus asked the boy's father, **“How long has he been like this?”** “From childhood,” he answered. ²²“It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us.” ²³**“If you can’?”** said Jesus. **“Everything is possible for one who believes.”** ²⁴Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, “I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!” ²⁵When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. **“You deaf and mute spirit,”** he said, **“I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”** ²⁶The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, “He's dead.” ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up. ²⁸After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, “Why couldn't we drive it out?” ²⁹He replied, **“This kind can come out only by prayer”**

Apostles' Creed

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

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Sermon Hymn: "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

Sermon "I Must Go to Jerusalem" Isaiah 50:7



Pray for our country, for our military, for our healthcare workers & first responders, for those that are sick, for those in need, for those who have lost loved ones, for our home-bound, for wisdom for our leaders, and for all of your concerns. Prayers of Strength and Comfort for the Ukrainian People and wisdom for all NATO Members. Pray for all your concerns.



Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn: - "Evening and Morning" vs 3 & 4

SERMON REVIEW FOR September 15, 2024

"I Must Go to Jerusalem" Isaiah 50:7

Introduction: The "Vocabulary of Accomplishment"

I. Jesus' whole life was directed toward Holy Week

A. From birth He was destined for the cross:

"F _____"

1. Illustrations from His life

2. Three times He told His disciples of His mission
(Their response shows misunderstanding)

3. "He set His face like F _____"

(Jerusalem bound)

B. Perfect Obedience to His Father's will: "M _____"

C. Forgiveness depended on His sacrifice: "G _____
Oriented"

D. The resurrection was His Father's response: "Paid the
P _____"

1. Jesus us V _____ he accomplished God's
Purpose

2. He is 'not disgraced' His name is above all Names
When we confess Jesus Christ is our Savior, THEN –

II. God has a P _____ for us

A. The Christian life has D _____

1. A _____ is the devil's triumph

2. How do I know God's will for me?

B. We follow the example of Jesus ("Humbled Himself")

1. Deny self-will—"F _____"

2. Faith perceives God's will - "G _____"

3. Determination to do things God's way - "M _____"

4. God's vindication: 'exalted with Jesus' - "Paid our

D _____"



ADULT BIBLE CLASS meets downstairs in Zimmerman Hall.

JR. BIBLE CLASS: Class will be on Sept. 22nd & October 6th & 20th.



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LWML IN-GATHERING FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

LWML is once again collecting items for personal care kits to send to Lutheran World Relief. The items needed are listed below and must be new:

1-lightweight bath-size towel 20"x40" to 52" x 27" Dark colors
2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap 4 oz each, any brand, in original wrapping.

1- adult-sized **toothbrush** in its original packaging, toothbrushes in multi-packs may be donated.

1- **sturdy comb** (no picks or fine-tooth combs).

1-metal nail clipper (attached file optional).

We will be collecting these items starting August 25, 2024 thru October 6, 2024. You may put your items in the tub so marked in the Narthex.

According to LWR guidelines, please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, holiday symbols, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

Thank you for your generosity.

Linda Johnson, President, Ladies Aid/LWML

"For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish forever." Psalm 9:18

