## WEST PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH 40041 150th Ave Leland, Iowa



## Healing Service

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 22, 2023

*Mission:* To proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to all through worship, education, outreach, and fellowship.

Communion given the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in October *Please be advised, the service is livestreamed and on the internet.* 

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October 22, 2023

## The Service of the Word for Healing

Jesus Christ is the Almighty Healer and has mercy for all that are burdened in body, mind or spirit. We call upon our Lord and Savior to be present with us today and comfort all with His loving hands.

\*Please stand as able.

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

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness. p. 77

\*OPENING HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #328

**Opening Dialog:** 

P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

C: And his mercy endures forever.

P: They cried to the Lord in their trouble,

C: And he delivered them from their distress.

P: He sent forth his Word and healed them.

**C:** And saved them from the grave.

P: The Lord is righteous in all his ways,

C: And loving in all his works.

P: The Lord upholds all who fall;

C: He lifts up those who are bowed down.

P: The Lord sustains them on their sickbed.

**C:** And ministers to them in their illness.

P: The Lord is my strength and my song,

C: And he has become my salvation.

P: Let us pray. Merciful Lord God, constant source of all healing, we give you thanks for all your gifts of strength and life, and above all we thank you for the gift of your Son, through whom we have health and salvation. As we wait for that day when there will be no more pain, help us by your Holy Spirit to be assured of your power in our lives and to trust in your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. C: Amen

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray: C: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Blessing:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing" \*CLOSING HYMN #221

P: Go in peace. Let your light shine! **C:** Thanks be to God! Postlude

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PIANIST: LECTOR: Nancy Scalisi Nancy Scalisi

~ Pastor will be available for visitations and prayer requests. ~ ~ Please call or email with your request. ~

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

#### P: Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us. Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The people are seated.

HYMN

"He Touched Me"

Grey Book #628

#### Laying of Hands and Anointing

Those who wish to receive laying of hands and anointing may come to the altar one at a time, waiting in the aisles until the person ahead is anointed. As you step forward, give your first name to the minister so that it may be included in prayer.

You may sit or stand for the anointing.

P: Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, send your Holy Spirit upon your servant, \_\_\_\_\_\_; drive away all sickness of body and spirit; make whole that which is broken; deliver him/her from the power of evil; and preserve him/her in true faith, to share in the power of Christ's resurrection and to serve you with all the saints now and evermore.

R: Amen

After all have returned to their places, the people stand for the closing rite.

#### \*Closing Rite:

P: The Almighty Lord—a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and whom they obey—be now and evermore your defense, and make you known and feel that the only name under heaven given for health and salvation is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **C: Amen**  P: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, C: And his mercy endures forever.

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

#### P: Let us pray.

Sovereign Lord, your reign extends across time and space. You have created us in your own image and redeemed us by your grace through your Son. Grant that we may return to you what is yours, our entire selves given to your mission in the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

\*The people are seated.

FIRST LESSON PALMS SECOND LESSON		Isaiah 45:1-7 Psalm 96:1-9 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Gospel Acclamation	"Alleluia"	p. 83
<i>"Glory to you, O Lord"</i> HOLY GOSPEL <i>"Praise to you, O Christ"</i>		p. 83 <b>Matthew 22:15-22</b> p. 83
Children's Message Sermon		Pastor Tony
HYMN OF THE DAY	"Blessed Assurance	e" Grey Hymnal #67

**Bidding Prayers:** 

P: Let us pray for all who suffer.

C: Merciful Lord, you sent your Son to be our peace. Help all who suffer pain or grief to find in him strength and peace, so that their trust in your promises may be renewed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### P: Let us pray for recovery from sickness.

C: O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully hear our prayers and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## P: Let us pray for those in affliction.

C: Almighty and everlasting God, give comfort to the sad and strength to those who suffer: Let the prayers of your children who are in any trouble rise to you. To everyone in distress grant mercy, grant relief, grant refreshment; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## P: Let us pray for those who minister in healing.

C: Almighty God, source of human knowledge and skill: Guide physicians and nurses and all those you have called to practice the arts of healing. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that, by their ministries, the health of all people may be promoted, and your creation may be glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: Let us pray for the ministry of family and friends.

C: Loving God, our creator and redeemer: Give strength and gentleness, patience and faithfulness to family members and friends. Let their hope be in you, and by their ministry of love let your love be known; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## P: Let us pray for those who desire our prayers.

C: Blessed Lord, we ask your loving care and protection for those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit and who desire our prayers. Take from them all fears and help them put their trust in you, that they may feel your strong arms around them. Touch them with your renewing love, that they may know wholeness in you and glorify your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## P: Let us pray for those making decisions.

C: O Lord our God, send your Holy Spirit to guide us, that we may make our decisions with love, mercy, and reverence for your gift of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

P: Praise to you, almighty God and Father. You sent your Son to live among us and to bring us salvation. **C: Blessed be God.** 

P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, incomparable son of the Father. You humbled yourself to share in our humanity, and you came to heal all our illnesses.

#### C: Blessed be God.

P: Praise to you, Holy Spirit, our defender and consoler. You heal our sickness with your mighty and life-giving power. **C: Blessed be God.** 

P: Holy and blessed Trinity, sustain your servants who are gathered here with your presence; drive away their sickness of body and spirit; and give them that victory of life and peace which will enable them to serve you now and evermore.

## C: Amen

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

*Confession of Faith	Apostles' Creed	p. 85
P: The peace of the Lord	be with you all,	

#### C: And also, with you.

P: Let us share God's peace.

## OFFERING

\*Please stand

THE OFFERTORY

"Create in me"

#### The Holy Gospel according to St Matthew the 22<sup>nd</sup> Chapter

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. <sup>16</sup> They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. <sup>17</sup> Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax<sup>III</sup> to Caesar or not?" <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, <sup>20</sup> and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?" <sup>21</sup> "Caesar's," they replied. Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." <sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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#### The first lesson is from the 45<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Isaiah

45 "This is what the LORD says to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I take hold of to subdue nations before him and to strip kings of their armor, to open doors before him so that gates will not be shut: <sup>2</sup> I will go before you and will level the mountains; I will break down gates of bronze and cut through bars of iron. <sup>3</sup>I will give you hidden treasures, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the LORD, the God of Israel, who summons you by name. <sup>4</sup> For the sake of Jacob my servant, of Israel my chosen, I summon you by name and bestow on you a title of honor, though you do not acknowledge me. <sup>5</sup> am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me, <sup>6</sup> so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting people may know there is none besides me. I am the LORD, and there is no other. <sup>7</sup> I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### Let us pray Psalm 96 (responsively)

<sup>1</sup> Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

<sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

## <sup>4</sup> For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.

<sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

<sup>6</sup> Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

<sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

# <sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

<sup>9</sup>Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

Amen

1 Paul, Silas and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace and peace to you.

<sup>2</sup>We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. <sup>3</sup>We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup> because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup> You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.<sup>7</sup> And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.<sup>8</sup> The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it,<sup>9</sup> for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

## **Announcements & Activities**

#### West Prairie prayer list:

Robin Ciuffetti, Phyllis Disque, Joyce Greer, Brittney Hawke, Martha Messner, Ryan Mullins (in the military), Nicholas Oppman, Allen Peterson, Jean Peterson, Roger Peterson, Jacob Reupke, and *our sister churches in the LCMC:* St. Paul Lutheran Church, Hull, IA and Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Inwood, IA.

Please let Pastor Tony know of any prayer requests you may have.

Remember to wear <u>*RED*</u> next Sunday (Oct. 29) for **Reformation Sunday.** 

## All Saints' Sunday (Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>)

If you have a loved one you would like to recognize, please list their name on the **sign-up** sheet in Fellowship Hall. We need a count so candles can be purchased.

## Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Leland



Saturday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 7 am – 1 pm French Toast, Egg Bake Breakfast Sausage Coffee, juice, water *Free Will Donation* 



## **NEEDED: CHURCH SECRETARY**

Speak with Julie or Pastor Tony if interested.

## **This Week's Activities**

Sun., Oct. 29, 2023	9:00 am	Worship (Reformation Sun.) with
		Communion, fellowship following
	10:30 am	Sunday School

## **October / November Volunteers**

 

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 Fellowship: Oct. 29 — Julie and Jan Reimann Nov. 5 — Nov. 12 — Nov. 12 — Nov. 19 —

 Lector: Oct.: Nancy Scalisi, Nov.: Julie Reimann Flowers:

 Communion Prep and Clean-up: Dave and Sandy Snider

 Happy Birthday: Paris Reimann (10/26)

 Baptismal Anniversary: Johanna Juveland (10/24), Caitlin Fjeld (10/25)

 Wedding Anniversary: William and Sarah Kirschbaum (10/24),

Kevin and Betty Williams (10/27)

## <u>Bible Trivia</u>

When were the disciples of Christ to fast? (Clue: Luke 5:30-35)

- a.) On Good Friday and during Lent.
- b.) While the bridegroom was with them.
- c.) After the bridegroom had left them.
- d.) They were never to fast.

*Last week's answer*: Jesus said, "If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a \_\_\_\_\_, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the \_\_\_\_\_, and they are \_\_\_\_." *C*) *Branch, fire, burned*