



## August 25, 2024 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### As We Gather:

One of the saddest things in life is when we lose our sense of wonder—when we can no longer behold the beauty of God’s creation and be moved by it or when we take for granted the mystery of our salvation by the blood of the Lamb. The prophet Isaiah promises the restoration of wonder and the Spirit fulfills that promise with faith that trusts in what we have not seen. Today we ask the Lord to fill us with awe as we receive the inheritance of the saints who went before and add to it the witness of our age of the joy of salvation to bequeath to those who come after.

### Welcome

**Opening Hymn:** LSB 659 “Lord of our Life”

### Invocation

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

### Confession of Sins

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

**People:** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**Pastor:** Let us confess our sins to our gracious and merciful God.

*(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection.)*

**People:** **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.**

**Pastor:** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this Lord unto us all.

**People:** Amen.

### Introit

**Pastor:** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

**People:** **Whose sin is covered.**

**Pastor:** Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,

**People:** **And in whose spirit there is no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Pastor: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"  
**People: and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**  
Pastor: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;  
**People: surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.**  
Pastor: You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble;  
**People: You surround me with the shouts of deliverance.**  
**All: Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.**

### Hymn of Praise

"Glory to God in the Highest" (*Words and music in the hymnal--LSB page 204*)

- 1. To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Good-will from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing. Our thanks for Your great glory. Lord God our heavenly King.**
- 2. To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son we pray. O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high.**
- 3. You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshipped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

### Prayer of the Day

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 29:11-19

<sup>11</sup> And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." <sup>12</sup> And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read." <sup>13</sup> And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, <sup>14</sup> therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." <sup>15</sup> Ah, you who hide deep from the Lord your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" <sup>16</sup> You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me"; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? <sup>17</sup> Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful

field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? <sup>18</sup> In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. <sup>19</sup> The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the Lord, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Epistle Reading – Ephesians 5:22-33

<sup>22</sup> Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. <sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Gradual

Pastor: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart

People: **in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Pastor: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them

People: **Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.**

Pastor: He has caused His wondrous works to be remembered

People: **The Lord is gracious and merciful – His praise endures forever.**

### Gospel Reading – Mark 7:1-13

Now when the Pharisees gathered to him, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup> (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, <sup>4</sup> and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) <sup>5</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” <sup>6</sup> And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, “‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; <sup>7</sup> in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ <sup>8</sup> You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men.” <sup>9</sup> And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! <sup>10</sup> For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother’; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ <sup>11</sup> But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban”’ (that is, given to God) <sup>12</sup> then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, <sup>13</sup> thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Hymn of the Day:** LSB 563 “Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness”

### **Sermon**

**Confession of Faith:** The Nicene Creed

**All:** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

### **Offering**

### **Offertory**

### **Prayer of Thanks**

**All:** Thank you Lord for blessing us so we may be a blessing to others. Amen.

### **Prayer of the Church**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**All:** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

### **Benediction**

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

**People:** Amen.

**Closing Hymn:** LSB 862 “Oh, Blest the House”

**Family for the Week: David Lampe & Homebound Families**  
**Grace, Aurora - served by Rev. Ken Lampe**

**Prayers of Peace and Comfort:**

**Prayers for Health and Healing:**

**Lois Gaddy - (Friend of Gwen Lampe – health and healing from cancer)**  
**Kathy Browne – (Friend of Kathy Holle – health and healing)**

**Complete Prayer List:**

**Temporary**

Wendy Koenig – (Friend of Heidi Costello – health and healing)  
Diana Bauer – (daughter-in-law of Gladys Bauer - health & healing)  
Jami Bauer – (relative of Gladys Bauer - peace and comfort)  
Rick Bauer – (Gladys Bauer's son – health and healing from surgery)  
Jackie Clark – (Micki Gettman's friend – healing from a broken-hip)  
Jan Fisher – (daughter of Bill & Joanne Michel - health and healing)  
Ron Hicks – (friend of Glenda Enlow – health and healing)  
Gary Lampe– (Pastor's brother - health and healing)  
Randy Owensby – (friend of Harold Lampe – health and healing)  
Tabatha Packwood - (health & healing)  
Billy Parsons – (Joanne Michel's brother – recovery from surgery)

Debbie Porter – (friend of Harold Lampe – recovery from frostbite)  
Ernest Ramm – (Cheryl Lile's uncle – health and healing from stroke)  
Billy Schmells – (friend of Cheryl Lile – health and healing)  
Diane Smith – (Health and healing from eye problems)  
Larry Swart – (friend of Bill Munden – health and healing)  
Bill Thompson – (health and healing)  
Jim Troyke – (health and healing from heart issues)  
Randy Wallace – (brother-in-law of Micki Gettman – health & healing)  
Thomas Williams – (Ruth Stoddard's friend – health and healing)

**Long Term**

Jill Bode – (niece of Rachel Sanford – health and healing, cancer)  
Marty Jones – (Bobby Jones' mother - health and healing)  
Dorothea Dennis – (health and healing & peace and comfort)  
Pat Michel – (Bill Michel's Sister-In-Law – health and healing)  
Steve Doss – (friend of Harold Lampe – health and healing)  
Larry Moennig – (friend of Harold Lampe – health and healing)  
Gary Gardner – (health and healing)  
Pastor Gary Griffin – (health and healing from cancer)  
Jane Goodman – (Health and healing)  
Ben Schumacher – (Peace and comfort from Parkinson's disease)

Betty Gordon – (health and healing)  
Margaret Seburn - (cousin of Joanne Michel - health and healing)  
Vicki Heppard – (relative of Gladys Bauer – health & healing cancer)  
Bob & Barbara Steinberg - (health and healing)  
Bob Hess – (health and healing)  
Ruth Stoddard – (health and healing)  
Steve Hilton – (friend of Harold Lampe – health and healing, cancer)  
Koopert Tutten – (Jeeper Meyer's Great-grandson - health & healing)  
Sheryl Holle – (Kathy Holle's cousin – health and healing, cancer)  
June Winger – (Sharon Barlow's mother – health and healing)

**THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am - Happy Half Hour</b> <b>9:30 am - Fellowship</b> <b>10:00 am - Service</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>August 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NO Braille</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pastor in Office</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>August 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pastor in Office</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am - Happy Half Hour</b> <b>9:30 am - Fellowship</b> <b>10:00 am - Service with Communion</b>

Monday

Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>

Labor Day  
NO Braille

Birthdays: Alan Heisner-Aug. 26

Anniversaries: NONE

August

**GREETERS:**

8/25: Bill & Joanne Michel

**USHERS:**

8/25: Rob Springer

September

**GREETERS:**

01-Stan & Sharon Crandall

08-Bill & DianeThompson

15-Bill & Cathy Munden

22-Charlie & Edee Chambers

29-Bill & Joanne Michel

**USHERS:**

01-David Lampe

08-Charlie Chambers

15-Rob Springer

22-Bill Michel

29-Matt Miller



September Newsletter & Calendar is now in your mail box.


Thank you note from Family of Sally Lynn on bulletin board.



**150 year anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church and School, Freistatt, MO:**

Please mark your calendars for the weekend of September 7 and 8, 2024. There is a dinner on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer on the bulletin board for how to sign up.

**Freewill Offering August 25<sup>th</sup> - Today:** We will take an offering for Tomorrow's Teachers & Preachers campaign. This offering will go to men and women from Missouri in the form of scholarships through the District's educational endowment. Make you check to Grace Lutheran Church as we'll send one check from Grace to the District.



**SPRINGFIELD  
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL**

**LAUNCH  
UPDATES**

Invite everyone you know! Open to all who want to learn more about Springfield Lutheran High School!

**Thursday, Sept 19  
@ 6 PM**

**SLS Gym**  
2852 S Dayton Ave  
Springfield

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**  
Children of all ages - From any school  
Families of all faith backgrounds

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