

WELCOME

June 7, 2026

Worship Theme

THE GOOD NEWS
OF JESUS IS THE
FOUNDATION OF OUR
FAITH AND THE HEART
OF OUR WITNESS

Guest Pastor Lynn Wiedmann



OPENING HYMN:

#877 Reformation Song (VS.I-4)

V1.

Your Word alone is solid ground,
the mighty rock on which we build.

In ev'ry line the truth is found,
and ev'ry page with glory filled.



V2.

Thro' faith alone we come to you;
we have no merit we can claim.

Sure that your promises are true,
we place our hope in Jesus' name.

Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

V3.

In Christ alone we're justified;
his righteousness is all our plea.
Your law's demands are satisfied;
his perfect work has set us free.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

V4.

By grace alone we have been saved;
all that we are has come from you.

Hearts that were once by sin enslaved
now by your pow'r have been made new.

Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.

INVOCATION



Please stand

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

A decorative horizontal line with a central four-pointed starburst or floral ornament.

P: Beloved in the Lord; let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

P: God, our Heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Eternal God, you so loved the world that you gave your only Son into death for our sin to rescue and save us all. Take our lives, Lord, and use them to lift up your Son so that all will be drawn to him and find eternal life, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Please be seated

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 3:1-15



Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden’?”

The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, ‘You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.’ ”

“You will not surely die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”

He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.”

And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”

The man said, “The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

So the LORD God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this,
“Cursed are you above all the livestock
and all the wild animals!
You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.

“And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel.”

THE WORD

SECOND LESSON

John 3:14-18



“Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.”

NICENE CREED

Please stand

**We believe in one God, the Father,
the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERMON HYMN: #753 My Worth Is Not in What I Own (VS.1-5)

V1.

My worth is not in what I own,
not in the strength of flesh and bone,
but in the costly wounds of love
at the cross



V2.

My worth is not in skill or name,
in win or lose, in pride or shame,
but in the blood of Christ that flowed
at the cross.

Refrain:

I rejoice in my Redeemer
greatest treasure,
well-spring of my soul.

I will trust in him, no other;
my soul is satisfied in him alone.

V3.

As summer flow'rs we fade and die;
fame, youth, and beauty hurry by.

But life eternal calls to us
at the cross.

V4.

I will not boast in wealth or might,
or human wisdom's fleeting light.
But I will boast in knowing Christ
at the cross.

Refrain:

I rejoice in my Redeemer
greatest treasure,
well-spring of my soul.

I will trust in him, no other;
my soul is satisfied in him alone.

V5.

Two wonders here that I confess:
my worth and my unworthiness.

My value fixed-my ransom paid
at the cross.

Refrain:

I rejoice in my Redeemer
greatest treasure,
well-spring of my soul.

I will trust in him, no other;
my soul is satisfied in him alone.

THE WORD

SERMON TEXT

Romans 1:1-7,
16-17



Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—the gospel he promised beforehand through his prophets in the Holy Scriptures regarding his Son, who as to his human nature was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead:

Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith. And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

To all in Rome who are loved by
God and called to be saints:

Grace and peace to you from God
our Father and from the Lord Jesus
Christ.

[...] I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

SERMON THEME

PREACH THE REAL GOSPEL

1. Present the real Savior
2. Proclaim the real life



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PRAYER OF
THE CHURCH

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.

THE SACRAMENT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



AGNUS DEI: O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



O Christ, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;



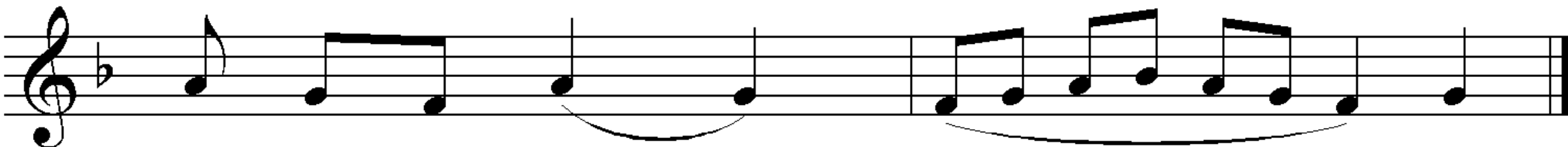
have mer-cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



O Christ, Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us Your peace.

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DISTRIBUTION

Communicant members of Ascension Lutheran and other churches in fellowship in the WELS or ELS are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. If you have never communed with us before, we ask that you first speak with our pastor to learn how you can establish a communing fellowship with us. We are eager to help anyone to take this step.

Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center tray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN:

#676 Take and Eat (V.S. 1-6)

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.



V1. I am the Word that
spoke and light was made;
I am the seed that died to be reborn;
I am the bread that
comes from heav'n above;
I am the vine
that fills your cup with joy.

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

V2. I am the way that
 leads the exile home;
I am the truth that sets the captive free;
I am the life that raises up the dead;
 I am your peace,
 true peace my gift to you.

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

V3.

I am the Lamb that
takes away your sin;

I am the gate that
guards you night and day;

you are my flock:

you know the shepherd's voice;

you are my own:

your ransom is my blood.

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

V4. I am the cornerstone that
God has laid;
a chosen stone and
precious in his eyes;
you are God's dwelling place,
on me you rest;
like living stones,
a temple of God's praise.

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

V5.

I am the light that
came into the world;

I am the light that
darkness cannot hide;

I am the Morning Star that never sets;

lift up your face,
in you my light will shine.

Refrain:

Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

V6.

I am the first and last,
the Living One;
I am the Lord who
died that you might live;
I am the bridegroom,
this my wedding song;
you are my bride,
come to the marriage feast.

Refrain:

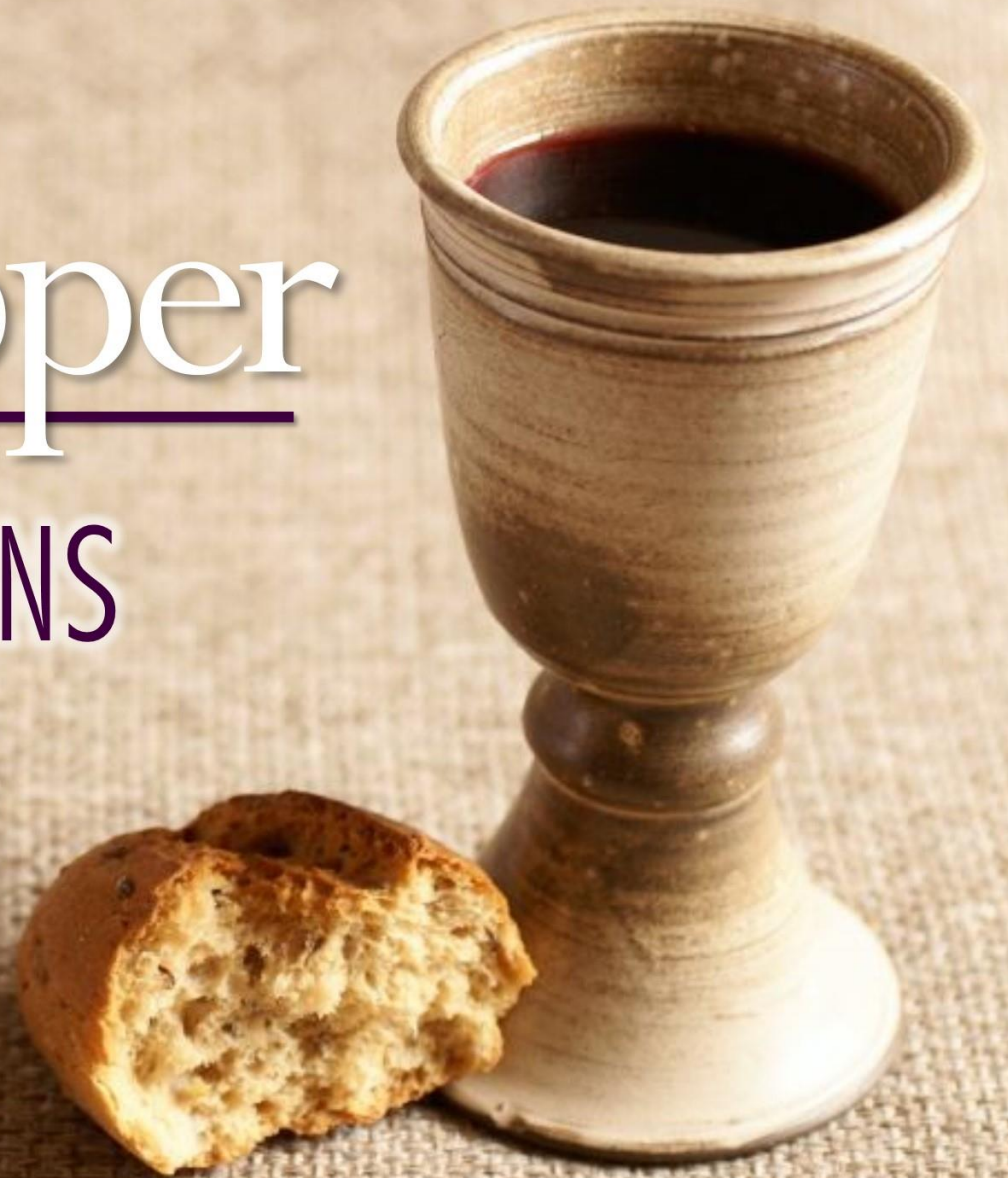
Take and eat, take and eat,
this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink, take and drink,
this is my blood given up for you.

The Blessings of
The Lord's Supper

RECEIVE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

LIFE AND SALVATION



PRAYER

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace.
Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
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.

CLOSING HYMN: #824

This Is the Threefold Truth (VS.1-5)

V1. This is the threefold truth
on which our faith depends;
and with this joyful cry
worship begins and ends:
Christ has died! Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!



V2. Long used by saints of old,
new-minted for our time,
our liturgies confess
the hope we have in him:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

V3. On this we fix our minds
as, kneeling side by side,
we take the bread and wine,
take him, the Crucified:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

V4. By this we are upheld
when doubt and grief assails
our Christian faith and love,
and only grace avails:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

V5. This is the threefold truth
which, if we hold it fast,
changes the world and us
and brings us home at last:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



CONNECTION CARD



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Please fill out and submit.



Welcome

June 8th, 2026

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Christian Funeral
Service for

*David
Bruce Lentz*

Pastor Brian Roloff

PSALM 23:6
Surely **GOODNESS** and
MERCY

shall
follow me

ALL the days of
my life, and I

will **DWELL** **LORD**
in the house of the

forever.
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District CONVENTIONS

June 9-10 | MLC | New Ulm, MN



Crafting Up Sunshine

June 13th

1-4pm

Snacks provided

Contact Suzie 612-710-5093
or Sarah 507-581-6651
with questions





**A
Second
HelpingSM**
The Church Ladies Sequel

GROUP LIFE EVENT

August 1
7:00pm

- Come see the sequel
with your church family. -

You can save your seat by writing a
check for \$42.48/each to Ascension
(write *Church Ladies* in memo) or
online for \$43/each.

Reservations open until June 28th

Plymouth Playhouse
2705 Annapolis Ln N.



THANKS FOR SERVING

- † Guest Pastor: Lynn Wiedmann
- † Pianist: Pam Peterson
- † AV Team
- † Serving: Flock #2 – Mike Tripp