

Peace Thru Christ

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pastor: Mark H. Bernthal • Mrs. Sarah Ude

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost • August 15, 2021

Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 119: XI

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SCRIPTURE READING:

Daniel 9:1-5, 15-19

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans— 2 in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. 3 Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. 4 And I prayed to the Lord my God, and made confession, and said, “O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and

with those who keep His commandments, 5 we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments.

15 And now, O Lord our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and made Yourself a name, as it is this day—we have sinned, we have done wickedly! 16 “O Lord, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your anger and Your fury be turned away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people are a reproach to all those around us. 17 Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord’s sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate. 18 O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies. 19 O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name.”

John 12:27-36

“Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? But for this purpose I came to this hour. 28 Father, glorify Your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, saying, “I have both glorified it and will glorify it again.” 29 Therefore the people who stood by and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to Him.” 30 Jesus answered and said, “This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. 32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.” 33

This He said, signifying by what death He would die. 34 The people answered Him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains forever; and how can You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 Then Jesus said to them, "A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.

THE SERMON:

Daniel 9:20-24

Sermon Theme: The Father's Embrace:

You are Greatly Beloved!

1. Promise 2. Pressure 3. Prayer 4. Pursuit

Now while I was speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God, 21 yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. 22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand. 23 At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision: 24 "Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy.

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank God you are with us this morning. We pray the message today of the Father's embrace assure you of His great love which is seen especially in His sending His Son to accomplish our salvation. Please sign our guest register and come worship your Savior with us again.

THANK YOU: to Prof. John Ude for bringing the Word of God to us this morning. We pray for his safe travel back home and for a blessed new school year at ILC which begins August 23. Pastor & Ruth should be returning, Lord willing, Wednesday afternoon.

This Week:

Today: 9:00 a.m. Family Worship

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Bible Class by Zoom

Thursday 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage
5:00 p.m. B.O.C.E. Meeting

Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. Family Worship
10:15 a.m. Playgroup Meeting
Noon Devil's Lake outing

SERVICE TO OUR LORD: Cleaners this week: A. Ude
Counters: Caleb Gerbitz & Chris Ude

OFFERINGS 8/8 for Unified Budget: \$2,810

ATTENDANCE: Facebook 32 / YouTube views 2 / Church 36

NEEDED: Volunteers are needed for the Design Committee for siding and windows for the church. This committee would serve under the auspices of the Property Chairman, John Gerbitz. If you are interested in serving on this committee please contact John Gerbitz or congregation President Dan Schaefer.

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WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS: We continue our Wednesday evening Bible Class this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom. We continue our study of the Gospel of John chapter 4.

LAWN MOWING: Volunteers are needed to mow and trim the areas that are not covered by the robotic mower. Mowing the ditches and trimming requires about 1 hour. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Contact John Gerbitz if you have any questions. Cell: (608) 208-8900 gerbitz253@gmail.com

DEVIL'S LAKE OUTING: Next Sunday after church we are planning a picnic outing at Devils' Lake. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you are planning on coming. Bring your own food.

CLC NEWS:

- Pastor Mark Tiefel, Redemption, Lynnwood, WA, has returned the call to Living Savior, Eden Prairie, MN.
- Pastor Aaron Ude, Good Shepherd, Rapid City, SD has the call to Faith Lutheran, Manchester, MO. Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck returned the call to be their vacancy pastor.
- Ms. Rebecca McKenney has been called to be the upper grade teacher at Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE, for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Due to the CLC's resolution of June 26, 2021 not to adopt the Joint Statement as a settlement of differences between the CLC and the WELS/ELS regarding the doctrine of the termination of fellowship, I am discontinuing my membership at Messiah Lutheran Church in Hales Corners and in the CLC. -John Reim

INTERESTED IN A CHRISTIAN NOVEL?: Deborah Ude's, "Shadows in Sunshine," now available, is V.4 in the "Steeple in the Distance" series. All four of Debi's books

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are available in printed form directly from John Ude, john.ude@ilc.edu, at the CLC Bookstore, or on Amazon. Running a search on Deborah K. Ude should get you all four books there.

MEN'S RETREAT: The 2021 ManUp! Men's Retreat will be held September 30 - October 3, 2021, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI, about an hour south of La Crosse. The Theme this year is: "No Fear!" and will offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. The cost is \$75 before September 1, and includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org. Please plan to join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: We are in need of Sunday School teachers for the coming year. Please contact Pastor Bernthal or Luke Schaser if you are able to help out.

ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: The 50th anniversary of our Peace Thru Christ congregation will occur in 2022-2023. If you would like to participate in envisioning and planning this event, please contact church President Dan Schaefer. This is a significant milestone in the life of our congregation and one which will be enjoyable to celebrate as we give thanks and praise to our Lord.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church. If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or e-mail him at mbern@juno.com



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