

February 13, 2022

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany



“We Preach Christ Crucified...”

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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For whenever
I am weak,
then I am
STRONG.

2 Corinthians 12:10, NRSV

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As We Gather

When someone is new to something, there is a period of orientation. For example, when someone takes up a new game or sport, they need to first learn the rules. Likewise, when someone is a new disciple of Jesus, a period of orientation follows. It's necessary, because by nature we assume that Jesus' kingdom works the same way the world works. The truth that is uncovered this week is that the principles on which Jesus' kingdom runs are the exact opposite of the principles of the world. That which the world considers to be a blessing can often be a curse. And that which the world calls bad, God always uses for the good of those he loves.

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

[Today's hymns are printed on pages 9-12 of the bulletin.]

Hymn

WS 756 – Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Invocation

Matthew 28:19b

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

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

[Hebrews 10:22]; Psalm 124:8; 32:5

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the LORD,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"

C **and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved.

P Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 1

P Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,

C nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

P but his delight is in the law of the LORD,

C and on his law he meditates day and night.

P He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season,

C and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

P The wicked are not so,

C but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

P Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,

C nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

P for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

C but the way of the wicked will perish.



Gloria Patri


Glory be to the Father



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son
and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - ginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be for - ev - er more. A - men.

Kyrie


Lord, Have Mercy



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on High - Hymn 238, st. 1



All glory be to God a - lone, For - ev - er more the Highest One,
Who doth our sin - ful race be - friend And grace and peace to
us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may His good will All
hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.

Salutation

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray...

... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-8

⁵ Thus says the LORD: “Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD. ⁶ He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. ⁷ “Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. ⁸ He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:17-26

¹⁷ And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸ who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all. ²⁰ And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹ “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied. “Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. ²² “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³ Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. ²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵ “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry. “Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. ²⁶ “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.



Sermon

Because of Our Weakness, God is Our Strength

I. In Weakness, We Learn to be Humble

II. In Weakness We Depend on God, Not Ourselves

Offertory

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with in me.
Cast me not a - way from Your pres - ence;
and take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store un - to me the joy of Your sal - va - tion;
and uphold me with Your free spir - it. A - men.

Hymn

WS 784 – Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

Offering Hymn

TLH 442 st. 2

Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee
Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness
Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures,
Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed
'Tis to give than to receive.

General Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Hymn

TLH 427 (1-4, 7) – How Firm a Foundation

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WS 756 – Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1 Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to Thy bos - om fly
 2 Oth - er ref - uge have I none; Hangs my help-less soul on Thee.
 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; More than all in Thee I find.
 4 Plen-teous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cov - er all my sin.

While the near - er wa - ters roll, While the tem-pest still is high.
 Leave, ah, leave me not a - lone; Still sup - port and com-fort me.
 Raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
 Let the heal - ing streams a-bound; Make and keep me pure with-in.

Hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, Till the storm of life is past;
 All my trust on Thee is stayed; All my help from Thee I bring.
 Just and ho - ly is Thy name; I am all un - right-eous-ness.
 Thou of life the foun - tain art; Free-ly let me take of Thee.

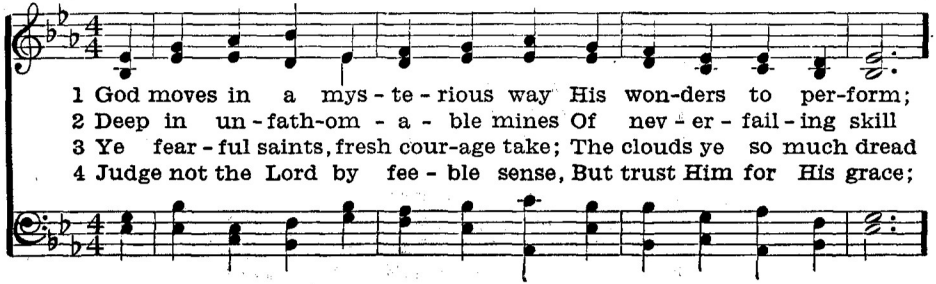
Safe in - to the ha - ven guide. Oh, re - ceive my soul at last!
 Cov - er my de - fense-less head With the shad - ow of Thy wing.
 False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.
 Spring Thou up with - in my heart; Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

TLH 514 – God Moves in a Mysterious Way

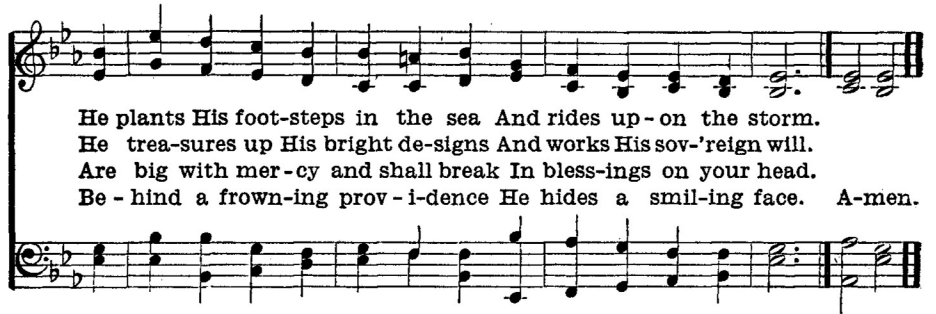
John 13: 7
William Cowper, 1774

C. M.

Dundee
"Scottish Psalter," 1615



1 God moves in a mys-te-ri-ous way His won-ders to per-form;
2 Deep in un-fath-om-a-ble mines Of nev-er-fall-ing skill
3 Ye fear-ful saints, fresh cour-age take; The clouds ye so much dread
4 Judge not the Lord by fee-ble sense, But trust Him for His grace;



He plants His foot-steps in the sea And rides up-on the storm.
He trea-sures up His bright de-signs And works His sov-'reign will.
Are big with mer-cy and shall break In bless-ings on your head.
Be-hind a frown-ing prov-i-dence He hides a smil-ing face. A-men.

5 His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

6 Blind unbelief is sure to err
And scan His work in vain;
God is His own Interpreter,
And He will make it plain.

WS 784 – Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,

Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For You, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that You will strength - en My steps toward home,

With - out Your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by Your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
And noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!

So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when Your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Tune: P. Friedrich Silcher, 1789-1860

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TLH 427 – How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord

Is. 43: 1-7
 "Keen," 1787, alt.

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Firm Foundation
 Bernhard Schumacher, 1931

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 In ev - 'ry con - di - tion,—in sick - ness, in health,
 3 "Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dis - mayed;
 4 "When thro' the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 In pov - er - ty's vale, or a - bound - ing in wealth,
 For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;

What more can He say than to you He hath said
 At home and a - broad, on the land, on the sea,—
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 For I will be with thee thy trou - bles to bless

Who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
 The Lord, the Al - might - y, thy strength e'er shall be.
 Up - held by My right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress. A - men.

7 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
 I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
 I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!"

✠ Announcements ✠

Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in our Savior's name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will come back and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's pure Word and by the psalms and hymns that our Scripture-based liturgy offers. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please ask Pastor Sauers.

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OUR SCHEDULE: "If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

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February 13	10:00 am	Worship Service
February 17	10:00 am	Bible Class
February 20	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service
February 22	6:30 pm	Elders
February 24	10:00 am	Bible Class
February 27	9:00 am	Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 am	Worship Service

Thank You: Thank you to Mr. Dave Bernthal for leading our worship service this morning. Pastor Sauers is in Pennsylvania attending his grandfather's funeral. He can be reached by phone at (920) 602-3242. He should be back in Fond du Lac sometime on Wednesday.

Among Us: We rejoice with Linda Mueller that her procedure to put in a pacemaker was successful. Please keep her in your prayers during her recovery. Please also keep Don Seibel's family in your prayers. Don went to his heavenly home on Thursday morning. His victory service was held her at Luther Memorial yesterday afternoon.

Education Fair/Chili Luncheon: On March 6th following the service, the children of Luther Memorial School will be having their Education Fair. In conjunction with that, we will be having our Chili/Soup Luncheon. Please mark your calendars!

Tour Choir: Save the date! The ILC Tour Choir is traveling through Michigan and Wisconsin this year and has scheduled a concert at Luther Memorial on Saturday evening, March 19th. More details will be available in the next few weeks.

CLC News: ILC Professor Joel Gullerud has received the call to be teacher and principal of Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI. + Teacher Claire Abbas of Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane Valley, WA, has received the call to be the lower grade teacher at Berea Lutheran School, Inver Grove Heights, MN. + Pastor Mark Tiefel of Redemption Lutheran Church, Lynnwood, WA, is still considering the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL. + . + Mrs. Dawn Mayhew is still considering the call to be the teacher and principal of Redeemer Lutheran School, Cheyenne, WY. Mrs. Mayhew is a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cheyenne.

FRUITS OF FAITH – January 23		Attendance: 44	
Luther Memorial Church		Church of the Lutheran Confession	
<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>		<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>	
\$1,693.00	LM General Budget (01/23)	\$150.00	CLC General Budget (01/23)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
-\$1,230.08	-Under / +Over	-\$234.62	-Under / +Over
\$12,988.00	Year to Date Offerings	\$10,916.00	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$11,692.32	Year to Date Need	\$11,538.60	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$1,295.68	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$622.60	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
\$20.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
	LM M & I	\$75.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$60.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous

FRUITS OF FAITH – January 30**Attendance: 49**

<u>Luther Memorial Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>	
<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>		<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>	
\$2,594.50	LM General Budget (01/30)	\$382.50	CLC General Budget (01/30)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
-\$328.58	-Under / +Over	-\$2.12	-Under / +Over
\$15,582.50	Year to Date Offerings	\$11,298.50	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$14,615.40	Year to Date Need	\$11,923.22	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$967.10	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$624.72	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>	
\$35.00	LM School	\$25.00	ILC Student Aid Fund
\$25.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement	\$75.00	ILC Improvement Fund
	LM M & I	\$125.00	Mission Development (MDF)
\$25.00	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$20.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
\$20.00	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous
<i>Memorial: \$40.00 to the General Fund in memory of Joanne Johannes</i>			
<i>Memorial: \$25.00 to the Mission Development Fund in memory of Joanne Johannes</i>			

FRUITS OF FAITH – February 6**Attendance: 82**

<u>Luther Memorial Church</u>		<u>Church of the Lutheran Confession</u>	
<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>		<i>Budgetary (Regular Expenses)</i>	
\$4,552.00	LM General Budget (02/06)	\$503.00	CLC General Budget (02/06)
\$2,923.08	Weekly Need	\$384.62	Weekly Need
+\$1,628.92	-Under / +Over	+\$118.38	-Under / +Over
\$20,134.50	Year to Date Offerings	\$11,801.50	Fiscal Year to Date Offerings
\$17,538.48	Year to Date Need	\$12,307.84	Fiscal Year to Date Need
+\$2,596.02	Year to Date (+/-)	-\$506.34	Fiscal Year to Date (+/-)
<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>		<i>Non-Budgetary (Unplanned Expenses)</i>	
	LM School		ILC Student Aid Fund
\$50.00	LM Student Aid Fund		ILC Building Fund
	LM Debt Retirement		ILC Improvement Fund
	LM M & I	\$75.00	Mission Development (MDF)
	LM Local Missions/ Outreach	\$50.00	Project Kinship/Orphanage
\$20.00	LM Building Fund		Fall Mission Festival
\$25.00	LM Ladies Orphan Fund		Miscellaneous
<i>Memorial: \$50.00 to the General Fund in memory of Bob and Jeanette Roehl</i>			

