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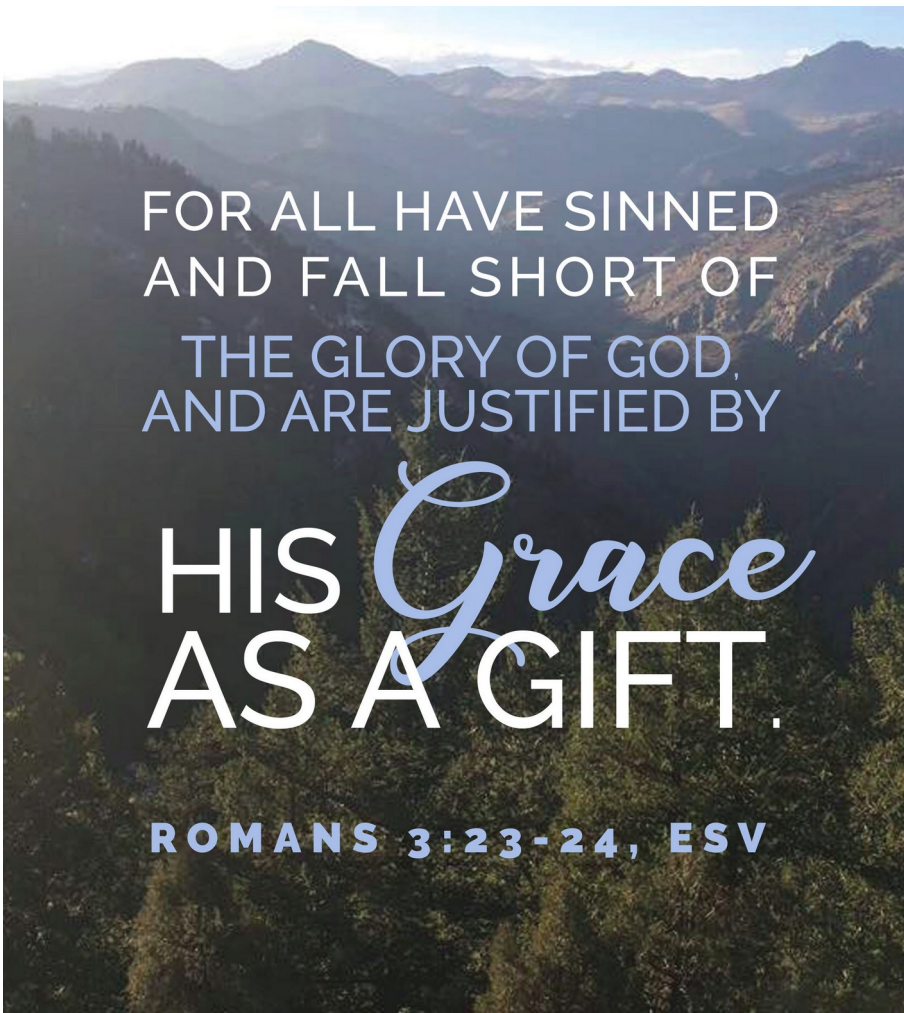
“We Preach Christ Crucified...”

- 1 Corinthians 1:23

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FOR ALL HAVE SINNED
AND FALL SHORT OF
THE GLORY OF GOD,
AND ARE JUSTIFIED BY

HIS *Grace*
AS A GIFT.

ROMANS 3:23-24, ESV

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As We Gather

God gives us the victory! That's the truth we considered this past week at VBS, and that's the focus of our service this morning. That victory that He gives us would be impossible for us to obtain on our own, and so, our Scripture readings remind us today of how the Lord's victory is given to His people even in the most impossible of circumstances. Without Jesus, we would lose everything, but with our Savior, we win!

✠ Preparation for Worship ✠

Hymn

TLH 38 – The Lord, My God, be Praised

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P** Beloved of God: 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** **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.**
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will.
- C** Amen.

Confession
& Absolution

✠ The Service of the Word ✠

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy

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

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the Highest

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to all peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav-enly king, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we
praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the

Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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

Daniel 6:10-12, 16-23

¹⁰ When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously. ¹¹ Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and plea before his God. ¹² Then they came near and said before the king, concerning the injunction, “O king! Did you not sign an injunction, that anyone who makes petition to any god or man within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?” The king answered and said, “The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked.” ¹⁶ Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, “May your God, whom you serve

continually, deliver you!”¹⁷ And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel.¹⁸ Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him.¹⁹ Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions.²⁰ As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?”²¹ Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever!²² My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm.”²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 46

- P** God is our refuge and strength,
- C** **a very present help in trouble.**
- P** Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
- C** **though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**
- P** though its waters roar and foam,
- C** **though the mountains tremble at its swelling.**
- P** There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
- C** **the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- P** God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
- C** **God will help her when morning dawns.**
- P** The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
- C** **he utters his voice, the earth melts.**
- P** The LORD of hosts is with us;
- C** **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**
- P** Come, behold the works of the LORD,
- C** **how he has brought desolations on the earth.**
- P** He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
- C** **he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.**
- P** “Be still, and know that I am God.
- C** **I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**
- P** The LORD of hosts is with us;
- C** **the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

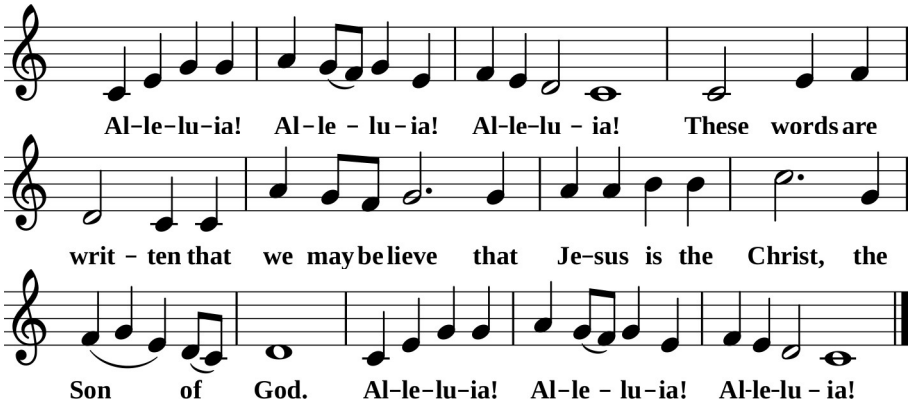
Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:16-23

¹⁶ “Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸ and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹ When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰ For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹ Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

Alleluia

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!



Alleluia!

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn

TLH 377 (1-2, 5-6) – Salvation unto Us has Come

Sermon Text

Romans 3:21-28

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.



Sermon

The Losing Game and The Given Victory

Offertory



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

Hymn TLH 373 – By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless

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.

Closing Hymn TLH 341 – Crown Him with Many Crowns

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TLH 38 – The Lord, My God, be Praised

Deut. 32: 8

6. 7. 6. 7. 6. 6. 6.

Gelobet sei der Herr

Johann Olearius, 1671

Tr., August Crull, 11923, alt.

Nun danket alle Gott

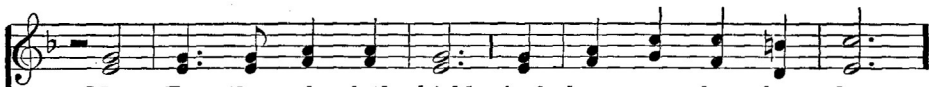
Johann Crüger, 1648



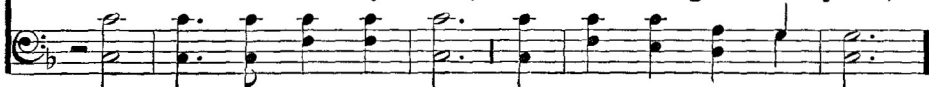
1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My Light, my Life from heav - en;
 2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My Trust, my Life from heav - en;
 3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My Hope, my Life from heav - en,



My Mak - er, who to me Hath soul and bod - y giv - en;
 The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en;
 The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me hath giv - en.



My Fa - ther, who doth shield And keep me day by day,
 Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood,
 'Tis He re - vives my heart, 'Tis He that gives me pow'r,



Doth make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.
 Who giv - eth me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.
 Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour. A - men.



4 The Lord, my God, be praised,
 My God, whoever liveth,
 To whom the heavenly host
 All praise and honor giveth.
 The Lord, my God, be praised,
 In whose great name I boast,
 God Father, God the Son,
 And God the Holy Ghost.

5 To Him with joyful song
 Our praises we are bringing
 And with the angel throng
 Thrice "Holy" we are singing.
 With one united voice
 The Church doth Him adore.
 The Lord, my God, be praised
 Now and forevermore.

TLH 377 (1-2, 5-6) – Salvation unto Us has Come

Rom. 3-5

Es ist das Heil uns kommen her

Paul Speratus, 1523, cento

Tr., composite

8. 7. 8. 7. 8. 8. 7.

Es ist das Heil

German melody, c. 1400



1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and fa - vor;
2 What God did in His Law de - mand And none to Him could ren - der



Good works can - not a - vert our doom, They help and save us nev - er.
Caused wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand For man, the vile of - fend - er.



Faith looks to Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
Our flesh has not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the



world a - tone; He is our one Re - deem - er.
Law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.



5 Yet as the Law must be fulfilled
Or we must die despairing,
Christ came and hath God's anger
stilled,
Our human nature sharing.
He hath for us the Law obeyed
And thus the Father's vengeance stayed
Which over us impended.

6 Since Christ hath full atonement made
And brought to us salvation,
Each Christian therefore may be glad
And build on this foundation.
Thy grace alone, dear Lord, I plead,
Thy death is now my life indeed,
For Thou hast paid my ransom.

TLH 373 – By Grace I'm Saved, Grace Free and Boundless

Eph. 2: 8, 9

Christian L. Scheidt, 1712. cento
Tr., composite

9. 8. 9. 8. 8. 8.

O dass ich tausend
Kornelius H. Dretzel, 1731



1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound-less; My soul, be - lieve and
2 By grace! None dare lay claim to mer - it; Our works and con - duct
3 By grace! Oh, mark this word of prom - ise When thou art by thy
4 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior, Came down to earth to



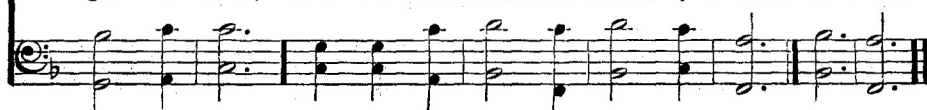
doubt it not. Why stag - ger at this word of prom - ise?
have no worth. God in His love sent our Re - deem - er,
sins op - prest, When Sa - tan plagues thy trou - bled con - science,
bear our sin. Was it be - cause of thine own mer - it



Hath Scrip - ture ev - er false - hood taught? Nay; then this word must
Christ Je - sus, to this sin - ful earth; His death did for our
And when thy heart is seek - ing rest. What rea - son can - not
That Je - sus died thy soul to win? Nay, it was grace, and



true re - main: By grace thou, too, shalt heav'n ob - tain.
sins a - tone, And we are saved by grace a - lone.
com - pre - hend God by His grace to thee doth send.
grace a - lone, That bro't Him from His heav'n - ly throne. A - men.



5 By grace! This ground of faith is certain;
So long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration,
What in His Word our God commands,
What our whole faith must rest upon,
Is grace alone, grace in His Son.

TLH 341 – Crown Him with Many Crowns

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Rev. 19: 12

Matthew Bridges, 1851, cento, alt.

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George J. Elvey, 1868



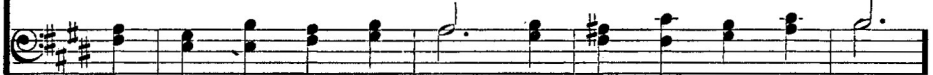
1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
2 Crown Him the Vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown Him the Lord of Love. Be - hold His hands and side,



Hark how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
Whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won Which now His brow a - dorn;
Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee
Fruit of the mys - tic rose, As of that rose the stem;
No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight,



And hail Him as thy matchless King Thro' all e - ter - ni - ty.
The root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The Babe of Beth - le - hem.
But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mys - ter - ies so bright. A - men.



4 Crown Him the Lord of Life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.

5 Crown Him the Lord of heaven,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the King to whom is given
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is King of all.

✝ 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.

OUR SCHEDULE:	"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15
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July 25	9:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Church Picnic @ McDermott Park
July 26-Aug 8		Pastor Sauers on Vacation
July 29	6:00 pm	Youth Group
August 1	9:00 am	Worship Service w/ Holy Communion
August 8	9:00 am	Worship Service

Heating/Cooling System Overhaul: At last Sunday's Quarterly Voters' Meeting, it was reported that the congregation has received \$102,000 in undesignated memorials in the last quarter. In light of that, the voters approved a plan to update our current heating and cooling system. The total cost of the project was quoted at \$37,275. You can see details of the project are posted on the bulletin board. It was also decided that there would be a delay of two weeks before signing any contracts so that there would be time to hear comments from the congregation. If you have any questions or wish to comment on this project, please contact Buildings and Grounds chairman Tyler Kern (920-266-9366, Tyler@kernhome.org).

Church Picnic: Everyone is encouraged to join us at McDermott Park (E. Johnson St. just east of Park Ave.) for our annual picnic today starting at 11:30 am. Meat and Drinks are provided. Please bring a dish or two to pass along with a comfy lawn chair and some games! We have the pavilion all afternoon so come and enjoy the beautiful weather and fellowship!

Thank You: Thank you to all who sent cards, sympathies and prayers in Fern Kern's going to her heavenly home. She loved coming to church and getting to know some of you, to say "good morning" and see your smiling faces. She enjoyed spending time with you at the "Young at Heart" parties that you so graciously welcomed her to. For all these things, we deeply appreciate. Thank you from the Rodney Kern and Becky Shafer families.

VBS: We had a wonderful time at VBS this year. Thank you to all of the volunteers, staff, and participants for helping us see how our God wins the victory, trains us in His Word, teaches us to trust in Him, encourages us to serve Him, and daily gives us reason to celebrate. Our average attendance was around 30.

Housing for Our Vicar: Seminary Student Zack Sippert will be vicaring with us from August 15 – September 26. He will need housing while he is here. Please speak to Pastor if you can help out.

Pastoral Visits: During the summer months (and beyond), Pastor would like to visit with each member of the congregation. These visits are intended as an opportunity for spiritual encouragement and for members to share their concerns, questions, comments, and suggestions. Please sign up on the bulletin board or from the front page of our website: www.fdllutheran.com.

Escape Room: The teens are hosting escape rooms! Can you escape? Come find out! The escape rooms will be on August 20th and 21st from 3-7PM and 10AM-5PM respectively! The Sunday school themed room will last for 30 minutes and the spy themed room will last 1 hour, so plan accordingly! Each room can hold teams of 4 to 5 players, so form a team and contact April Kern to schedule a slot! 920-257-9308 or aprilkendall3@yahoo.com

Fondue Fest: Fondue Fest is September 11, and we are, once again, planning to participate. The mission committee will be planning for our booth at their meeting on August 16 at 6:30 pm. Please make plans to attend that meeting if you are able to help out this year.

Women's Retreat West: Plans are being made for the 2021 Women's Retreat West. The dates are September 17-19, 2021, at Chadron State Park near Chadron, Nebraska. We will be sending out more information in the near future, but if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Colleen Kalblinger (womensretreatwest@gmail.com) or Candy Ohlmann (ocandice@hotmail.com) We look forward to welcoming you back to Nebraska for a weekend of Christian inspiration, fun, and fellowship.

CLC Call News: Faith Lutheran, Manchester, MO has called Pastor Michael Gurath of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix, AZ. <> Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE has called Ms. Rebecca McKenney to be their upper grade teacher. <> Ms. Moira Drager, a member of St. John's Lutheran, Clarkston, WA has accepted a call to the their lower grade teacher.

