

The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 9th, 2020



“Peter answered Him, “Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” (*Matthew 14:28–31*)

WELCOME! We extend a cordial welcome to everyone in the name of our crucified and risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Visitors are always welcome in our midst and are asked to sign our guest book in the entrance to our church sanctuary.

AS WE GATHER—“Who Is This Jesus?”

The Gospel stories of Jesus often have a familiarity to us that may diminish what the sacred writer wants us to understand. Simply put, there has never been any individual on this earth like Jesus. He has divine power that can heal the sick, revive the dead, and multiply bread and fish to feed multitudes. And He can even walk on water. Nobody else has ever done that. Only Jesus. As we worship and hear the Gospel account shared today, let us rediscover in Jesus our one and only Savior.

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Budget Update:

	<u>July</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts:	\$ 11,775	\$ 158,635
Expenses:	<u>\$ 17,280</u>	<u>\$ 135,984</u>
Over/(under):	\$ (5,505)	\$ 22,651

PPP Loan: \$ 40,100*
 Operating Loan: \$ 26,615
 Savings Borrowed: \$ 6,250
 Total Debt: \$ 72,965

* In April, we applied for and received a loan from the Payroll Protection Program administered through the Small Business Administration to provide relief to small businesses during the pandemic. The loan of \$40,100 is targeted to meet payroll expenses and certain utilities, and is 100% forgivable if we use at least 60% of the loan amount towards payroll expenses and the remaining percent for utility expenses. We expect at this point that 100% of the loan will be forgiven once we submit the proper documentation, which has not been finalized by the SBA at this point. —Jerry Kobiske, *CELC Treasurer*

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OPENING HYMN—“The Lord, My God, Be Praised” (LSB 794)

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION page 184

SHARING OF THE PEACE (Please greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "*Peace be with you,*" as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.) [Matthew 5:22-24; Ephesians 4:1-3] ***Recognizing health concerns, we value verbal greetings as well as handshake greetings. Please note: during this COVID-19 Pandemic we will only be doing verbal greetings.***

SERVICE OF THE WORD page 186

THE INTROIT, COLLECT OF THE DAY, GRADUAL, AND SCRIPTURE READINGS CAN ALL BE FOUND IN YOUR BULLETIN INSERT (spoken responsively) Psalm 34:4-8; antiphon: Psalm 34:1

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS page 187-189

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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SCRIPTURE READINGS:

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+ **First Reading**—*Job 38:4–18* (God tells Job of His lordship over all creation.)

Gradual—*Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.*

Pastor: Fear the LORD, you his saints,

People: for those who fear him lack nothing!

Pastor: Many are the afflictions of the righteous,

People: but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

+ **Epistle Lesson**—*Romans 10:5–17* (Faith comes from hearing the Gospel.)

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

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“Alleluia. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” Alleluia.”

+ **Gospel Lesson**—*Matthew 14:22–33* (Jesus walks on the water on the Sea of Galilee.)

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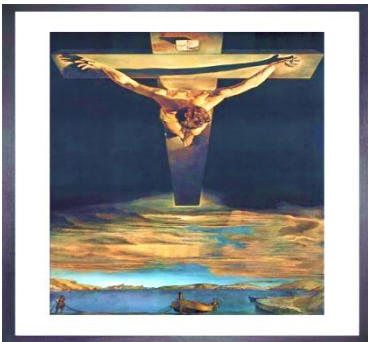
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HYMN OF THE DAY—“Take My Life and Let It Be”

(LSB 783)

SERMON—“People with a Purpose” (Rom. 10:5-17)

“Christ of St. John of the Cross,”
by Salvador Dali



OFFERTORY

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OFFERINGS/ATTENDANCE—*We will not be passing the offering plates at either church during worship, but will have them at the entrance of each church for people to drop their offerings off before or after the worship service. Thank you for your generosity and support of Christ our Lord’s Kingdom work!!! God bless you!!!*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (Each petition of the prayers ends by the pastor saying: “Lord, in Your mercy” and the congregation responding: **“Hear our prayer”**)

LORD’S PRAYER

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CONCLUDING COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray. God of love, in His ministry, Your Son, Jesus, showed His mastery over all the forces of nature, including those of great power. Help us to keep our eyes fixed on Him and to trust His guidance in all things as we pass through this world, confident in His care; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

SALUTATION and BENEDICAMUS

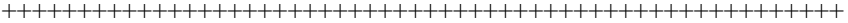
BENEDICTION

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CLOSING HYMN—"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" (*LSB* 793)

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!!!



Attendance in Worship Last Sunday: 36

Officiant: Rev. John M. Taggatz

Organist: Mary Reany

Elder: Bob Boelter

Ushers:

Altar Guild: Karen Tesch

Acolyte: Darrian Lund

Church Information—

Pastor's E-mail: jtaggatz@yahoo.com

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Church Websites: www.calvarywaupaca.org (*Calvary*)

www.christlutheranwestbloomfield.com (*Christ*)

REMINDER! Pastor's Office Hours for Christ & Calvary

Monday (Christ) 9:30 am-1pm

Tuesday (Christ) 10:15 am-1pm

Wednesday (Calvary) 9:30am -1pm

Thursday (Calvary): 9am - 1pm

Friday (Pastor's Day Off)

Visitations: Monday through Thursday afternoons

For Appointments, Call Calvary or Christ Office or Pastor's Cell Phone.

For an Emergency, Call Pastor Taggatz: 715-467-1231

CELC Prayer List—

Kelly Taggatz (healing) Sister in law of Pastor and Roxanne Taggatz; Connie Hoffman (healing & strength); Mary Gray (hospice); Tim Rohan (cancer), Sonny Bauer's son in law; Samuel Cartwright; Bob Buchholtz; Michael Felske, CarrieAnn Rohm's Father; Megan Morrissey (healing) Goddaughter of Jim & Sue Boshers; Gene Willis (healing) Mrs. Willis, Christ Lutheran School Preschool Teacher's Husband; Ron Lund (hospice) father of Jeremy & Ronnie Lund; Natalia & Bryce

Miracle, Melanie Willis' daughter & Son in Law (renewed faith in Jesus); Ramona Hrebik (healing) Laverne & Verona Lipke's daughter; Raymond Pagel (healing & strength).

In the Military: Kolden Baehman, Grandson of Jim & Mary Jane Baehman, in the Marines

Our Shut Ins: Mary Grambsch, Lisa Liepert, Stanley Behm, Lynnette Hannemann, Esther Nehring, Sam & Betty Cartwright, Karen Pagel.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!!! We praise God at the birth of Allie Grace Utecht, the daughter of AJ & Erin Utecht, and Granddaughter of Tom & Susanne Utecht!!! **We pray:** *Heavenly Father, You sent Your own Son into this world as the child of Mary. We thank you for the birth of Allie Grace Utecht. We humbly ask you to bring little Allie to the saving waters of Holy Baptism, and grant her that precious inheritance awaiting her in your eternal kingdom. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.*

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to use please switch to "T."**

Our regularly occurring **VOTER'S MEETING** will be **TODAY Sunday August 9th, 2020** immediately following the Worship Service. Please plan on attending our February Voter's Meeting, as your input and involvement in our Lutheran Church and School is deeply needed, and greatly appreciated. Thanks for your support of our ministries here at Christ Lutheran Church & School!!!

****UPDATES WHEN ENTERING THE CHURCH/SCHOOL BUILDING!****

For the health and safety of our students and congregation members at Christ Lutheran:

Congregation members:

- Please use the North School door #5 during school hours 8:00am-3:30pm Monday- Friday Starting Tuesday, **September 8, 2020.**
- When entering the school/church for any reason during the timeframe listed above you **must** wear a face covering such as a mask.
- Please whenever possible enter through the church **Narthex** when entering the church for Sunday service.
- You will see a ***sign-up sheet located on the office door-*** please put your name & date here if you have entered the school during any time starting September 1st.
- There will be a sign placed each main door as a reminder of these new guidelines.

Christ Lutheran School staff, parents and students thank you for your cooperation as we move forward towards the opening of school!

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST

Sunday – August 9 8:30am Worship service Voters meeting after church
Monday – August 10 9:30-1pm pastor office hours 10-2pm secretary office hours
Tuesday – August 11 10:15-1pm pastor office hours 10-2pm secretary office hours
Wednesday – August 12 10:30am lawn cutting
Friday – August 14 Pastor's day off
Sunday – August 16 8:30am Worship service w/ Holy Communion

THE CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL FARMER'S MARKET IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS. Right now, we are in need of shopping bags for the market. Thank you for your generosity and support of our Lutheran Church & School!!!

Pastor Taggatz's Call Acceptance to Grace Lutheran Church & School Oak Creek, WI—On Sunday July 12th, Grace Lutheran Church & School & Early Childcare Center in Oak Creek, WI extended to me a Divine Call to serve as their Sole Pastor. I have spent the past two weeks in prayerful deliberation, especially in light of the Divine Call that I presently have here at Christ & Calvary Lutheran Churches in Weyauwega & Waupaca. I have sought and received the wise counsel of my brothers in the ministry, my two Circuit Visitors, Pastor Jeff Smiles and Pastor Bryan Fritsch, and my two District Presidents, Rev. Dr. Dwayne Lueck & Rev Dr. John Wille. I have spent considerable time in discussion and prayer with my wife and children regarding this Divine Call to Grace Lutheran in Oak Creek and all of its implications for myself and our family. I have now arrived at a decision that I believe is in keeping with God's will for my ministry at this time.

With humility of spirit, I am accepting the Divine Call to serve as the Sole Pastor of Grace Lutheran Church & School & Early Childcare Center in Oak Creek. I am convinced that I have been led by the guiding power of the Holy Spirit to accept this Call. My plan is to continue serving here at Christ & Calvary Lutheran Churches through Sunday August 23rd, so as to honor the commitments I have made to each congregation. My family and I will then take a week and a half to pack up our belongings and prepare for the move. Currently, our plan is to move on Thursday August 27th.

I am firmly confident that the Lord of the Church will continue to richly bless the body of Christ here at Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches as you both seek to carry out God's Kingdom work. The Board of Elders of both congregations and select members of each Church Council will be meeting with the North and South District Representatives to discuss the next steps that Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches will take in preparing to call your next Pastor. I thank God in advance for the wisdom and guidance He will provide these individuals through His Holy Spirit, and for the way He will faithfully lead Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches into the future!

All of you here at both congregations that I have served these last six years are dearly loved and will remain in my prayers during this time of preparation. I would ask that you continue to cover me in prayer, as well, and ask that God will bless us all with a smooth transition.

May God fill you with joy, peace, and hope in Christ!

In the Love of our Lord, Rev. John M. Taggatz

North Wisconsin Circuit Visitor—Pastor Jeff Smiles (Appleton Circuit) 920-407-1094 or revjasmiles@yahoo.com

South Wisconsin Circuit Visitor—Pastor Bryan Fritsch (Berlin Circuit) 920-896-2529 or bcfritsch@gmail.com

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED TO PUT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT CALVARY WAUPACA THIS PAST WEEK!!! This year Christ and Calvary Lutheran Churches teamed up to put on a one week Vacation Bible School held at Calvary July 27th-31st. We couldn't have put on this year's VBS without the help of the many volunteers and people who donated food and other items to make this year's program a success. We had 22 children attend this year, even in the midst of our Covid-19 Pandemic. Thanks to those who donated items for our Vacation Bible School, to Mrs. Roxanne Taggatz, who helped teach the preschool children. We thank Pastor Beardsley for helping Pastor Taggatz with the Adult and Young Adult Bible Study. **A BIG THANK YOU** to our VBS Directors: Chantel Mundschau & Krisann Marcy, to Darlene Hempel, who helped with snacks, to Elizabeth Miller, who helped with the meal each day, and to Mrs. Colleen Boelter, who helped with registration, crafts, and science projects. We thank Christian Marcy for helping with games and Abby Marcy for helping with technology, drama, and being a crew leader. Eddie Taggatz & Esther Mundschau for volunteering as VBS Crew Leaders and taking part in the Drama each day. With your help, we were able to teach our children in our Weyauwega, West Bloomfield, and PoySippi Communities about the love of Jesus and the forgiveness of sins He's won for us through His cross and empty tomb!!!

Stewardship Minute— God has given us the privilege and the responsibility to be His stewards. As His stewards, we are to protect and expand what God entrusts to us. The word steward is rarely used in our society. Other words or terms can be used to describe our roles as stewards, but they do not carry the richness as the word steward. The word “*caretaker*” fails to capture the relationship laid on the steward. “*Manager*” doesn't convey the relationship between us and God. The word “*agent*” seems too business-oriented and too self-serving. “*Custodian*” is too passive a term. “*Ambassador*” is used primarily as a political term. Our God Who made heaven and earth has given us the honor to be His stewards, and He equips us to be faithful in that role.

THE GOSPEL MOTIVATES THE CHRISTIAN STEWARD. THE LAW INSTRUCTS THE CHRISTIAN STEWARD.

“And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him” (Colossians 3:17).



THE LUTHERAN HOUR—"Over The Darkness, God Hovers" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. A 5-year-old boy once observed, *"God has the whole world in His hands-but sometimes He drops it."* Hear how Dr. Dale Meyer responded to that young philosopher in a classic message titled, *"Over the Darkness, God Hovers"*. It's *"Archives August"*. (Genesis 1:2-3) **The Lutheran Hour can be heard any time on the internet at: lhm.org** scroll down the page and click on, "listen now." Or listen to any of these local radio stations on Sunday mornings.

6:30am The Lutheran Hour, WTMJ (AM 620)

7:30am The Lutheran Hour, WJMQ (FM 92.3)

8:30 am The Lutheran Hour, WSAU (AM 550)

10:00 am The Lutheran Hour, WRVM (FM 101.7)

"[W]hen a child is adopted into a family, there is a real family formed there. Our entire Gospel is at stake in that recognition because there is no such thing as an 'adopted child,' only children who were adopted. Adopted in the New Testament is a past-tense verb, not an adjective." *Dr. Russell D. Moore, author of "Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families" and chair of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • www.lutheransforlife.org "Hurting from abortion? Word of Hope can help. www.word-of-hope.org; 888-217-8679."

The Congregation at Prayer Sunday August 9th, 2020, 10th Sunday after Pentecost
Catechism: The Lord's Prayer—Sixth Petition

Verse of the week: 1 Corinthians 10:13—*"No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."*

Psalm of the week: Psalm 90

Hymn of the week: (LSB 730) "What Is the World to Me"

Bible Stories for the Week:

Sunday— The Unjust Steward—Luke 16:1-13

Monday— Two Blind Men Receive Their Sight—Matthew 20:29-34

Tuesday— Jesus Cleanses the Temple—Matthew 21:12-17

Wednesday— The Fruitless Fig Tree—Matthew 21:18-27

Thursday— The Parable of the Two Sons—Matthew 21:28-32

Friday— The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers—Matthew 21:33-46

Saturday— The Parable of the Wedding Feast—Matthew 22:1-14