



**St. Matthew's  
Evangelical Lutheran  
Church & School**

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*Worship for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*

*July 14 & 17, 2022*

**Opening Hymn: #221 "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"**

**1 Blessed Jesus, at your Word**

We are gathered all to hear you.

Let our hearts and souls be stirred

Now to seek and love and fear you,

By your teachings, sweet and holy,

Drawn from earth to love you solely.

**2 All our knowledge, sense, and sight**

Lie in deepest darkness shrouded

Till your Spirit breaks our night

With the beams of truth unclouded.

You alone to God can win us;

You must work all good within us.

**3 Gracious Savior, good and kind,**

Light from Light, from God proceeding,

Open now our heart and mind;

Help us by your Spirit's pleading.

Hear the cry your people raises;

Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

**4 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,**

Praise to you and adoration!

Grant that we your Word may trust,

Confident of our salvation,

While we here below must wander,

Till we sing your praises yonder.

## Invocation

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

**C: Amen.**

P: O Lord, open my lips.



**C:** And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

P: Hasten to save me, O God.



**C:** O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.

## Confession of Sins

P: Dear friends, let us approach God with true hearts and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.**

**For faithless worrying and selfish pride,**

**For sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,**

**You should cast me away from your presence forever.**

**O Lord, I am sorry for my sins.**

**Forgive me for Jesus' sake.**

P: St. John says of our God: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

He also says: "We have one who pleads with the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world." Therefore, upon this your confession, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Praise be to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: let us worship him.

## Oh, Come, Let Us Sing To The Lord

C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a great God and a great king a-bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

### Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

P: Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the good seed of your holy Word. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy and bring forth fruits in faith, hope, and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## Old Testament: Isaiah 26:1-13

On that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah.

We have a strong city.

**God sets up salvation as its walls and ramparts.**

<sup>2</sup>Open the gates, so that the righteous nation may enter,  
**the nation that guards the truth.**

<sup>3</sup>You preserve perfect peace for the person whose resolve is steadfast,  
**because he trusts in you.**

<sup>4</sup>Trust in the LORD forever,  
**for the LORD, yes the LORD is the eternal Rock.**

<sup>5</sup>He humbles those who live in a high place, in a high, secure city.  
**He brings it down!**

He brings it down to the ground!  
**He throws it down into the dust!**

<sup>6</sup>It is trampled down by the feet of the poor,  
**by the soles of the feet of the helpless.**

<sup>7</sup>The way of the righteous is level and smooth.  
**You are righteous. You smooth the path for the righteous.**

<sup>8</sup>Truly, LORD, we have waited for you on the path of your judgments.  
**Your name and your renown are what our soul desires.**

<sup>9</sup>My soul longs for you during the night.  
**My spirit within me looks for you early in the morning,**  
because when your judgments are known on earth,  
**the inhabitants of the world will learn what righteousness is.**

<sup>10</sup>Although grace is shown to the wicked,  
**they do not learn righteousness.**

They will continue to act unjustly even in a righteous land.  
**They will not recognize the LORD's majesty.**

<sup>11</sup>LORD, your hand is raised, ready to strike, but they do not see it.  
**But they will see your zeal for the people,**  
and they will be put to shame.

**May fire consume your enemies.**

<sup>12</sup>O LORD, you establish peace for us.  
**Everything we have done; you have accomplished for us.**

<sup>13</sup>O LORD our God, other lords besides you have ruled over us,  
**but we honor only your name.**

Psalm: Psalm 85 (p.97)

*Refrain*



I will hear what the Lord pro-claims: peace to his peo - ple.

*Psalm tone*



*Refrain*

I will hear what the Lord proclaims: peace to his people.

You showed favor to your land, O LORD;\*  
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

You forgave the iniquity of your people\*  
and covered all their sins.

Show us your unfailing love, O LORD,\*  
and grant us your salvation.

*Refrain*

I will listen to what God the LORD will say;\*  
he promises peace to his people, his saints.

Surely his salvation is near those who fear him,\*  
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Love and faithfulness meet together;\*  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Refrain*

## **Epistle: Philippians 4:4-13**

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup>Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if anything is excellent, and if anything is praiseworthy, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>The things that you learned, received, heard, and saw in me: Keep doing these things. And the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup>I rejoice greatly in the Lord now that you have revived your concern for me once again. Actually, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup>I am not saying this because I lack anything; in fact, I have learned to be content in any circumstances in which I find myself. <sup>12</sup>I know what it is to live in humble circumstances, and I know what it is to have more than enough. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, while being full or hungry, while having plenty or not enough. <sup>13</sup>I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## **Apostles' Creed**

**All: 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: #349 (1-4) "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"

1 Jesus, priceless treasure, Fount of purest pleasure,  
Truest friend to me.

Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish,  
Yearning, Lord, for thee?

Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!

I will suffer naught to hide thee, Naught I ask beside thee.

2 In thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me  
Cannot reach me here.

Though the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking,  
Jesus calms my fear.

Lightnings flash And thunders crash;

Yet, tho' sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.

3 Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee;

Fear, I bid thee cease.

World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me  
While I sing of peace.

God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour;

Earth and all its depths adore him, Silent bow before him.

4 Hence, all earthly treasure! Jesus is my pleasure;

Jesus is my choice.

Hence, all empty glory! Naught to me thy story

Told with tempting voice.

Pain or loss Or shame or cross

Shall not from my Savior move me Since he deigns to love me.

## Sermon Text: Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup>As they went on their way, Jesus came into a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup>She had a sister named Mary, who was sitting at the Lord's feet and was listening to his word. <sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with all her serving. She came over and said, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her to help me."

<sup>41</sup>The Lord answered and told her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is needed. In fact, Mary has chosen that better part, which will not be taken away from her."

*God's Word Is The One Thing We Need*  
*I. For our souls to have the peace of God*  
*II. For our service to be pleasing to God*

### Our Response to the Word of God

**5 Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness,  
Jesus, enters in.**

**Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather,  
Still have peace within.**

**Yea, whate'er I here must bear,**

**Thou art still my purest pleasure, Jesus, priceless treasure!**

*Offering (Offerings may be placed into the plates in the narthex)*

### Prayer of the Church

P: God of all grace, we thank you for the gift of eternal life in your Son. By the resurrection of Jesus from the dead and by the faithful testimony of the apostles you have assured us that our faith stands on a sure and solid foundation.

**C: Let me live that I may praise you, and may your laws sustain me.**

P: Though we do not see Jesus with our physical eyes, help us see him with the eyes of faith. Through your Holy Spirit, breathe on your Church that it may faithfully proclaim the gospel of our risen Savior with courage and diligence in all lands and to all people. Grant that we also may be illumined by the heavenly light of your Word, and so keep us in the one and only true faith.

**C: May God be gracious to us and bless us, and make his face shine upon us; that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.**

P: Preserve us from all assaults on our souls, deliver us from doubt and despair, and preserve us from worldly wisdom and false teaching.

**C: Turn my eyes from worthless things; preserve my life according to your Word.**

P: Forgive the sins of your people. Strengthen the doubting and the faithless. Bring back the forgetful and the wayward, and comfort the anxious and distressed.

**C: Restore to me the joy of your salvation; and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.**

P: As we go from this holy place today, grant peace and rest to us all.

**C: The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace. Amen.**

### Lord's Prayer

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;**

**And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

### Hymn: #290 "One Thing's Needful"

**1 One thing's needful; Lord, this treasure Teach me highly to regard.  
All else, though it first give pleasure, Is a yoke that presses hard.  
Beneath it the heart is still fretting and striving,  
No true, lasting happiness ever deriving.  
This one thing is needful; all others are vain –  
I count all but loss that I Christ may obtain.**

**2 How were Mary's thoughts devoted Her eternal joy to find  
As intent each word she noted, At her Savior's feet reclined.  
How kindled her heart, how devout was its feeling,  
While hearing the lessons that Christ was revealing;  
All earthly concerns she forgot for her Lord  
And found her contentment in hearing his Word.**

**3 Wisdom's highest, noblest treasure, Jesus, can be found in you.  
Let me find in you my pleasure; Make my will and actions true,  
Humility there and simplicity reigning,  
In paths of true wisdom my steps ever training.  
If I learn from Jesus this knowledge divine,  
The blessing of heavenly wisdom is mine.**

### **Closing Prayer**

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **Benediction**

P: The LORD bless you and keep you.  
The LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The LORD look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

### **Closing Hymn: #765 "Day by Day"**

**1. Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me  
Bringing comfort to my anxious soul.  
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me  
Draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.  
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure  
Brings to naught the burdens of my quest;  
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,  
Where at last, I'll find eternal rest.**

2. Day by day, I know you will provide me  
Strength to serve and wisdom to obey;  
I will seek your loving will to guide me  
O'er the paths I struggle day by day.  
I will fear no evil of the morrow;  
I will trust in your enduring grace.  
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow;  
Till in glory I behold your face.

3. Oh, what joy to know that you are near me  
When my burdens grow too great to bear;  
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me  
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.  
Day to day, no matter what betide me,  
You will hold me ever in your hand.  
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,  
I will reach at last the promised land.

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**Members, Visitors & Guests—Welcome to St. Matthew's!**

May the Spirit of God keep us from losing sight in this busy summer season of the one thing needed for our souls to have the peace of God and for our service to be pleasing to God!

If you are visiting our service, please sign a "care card" in the church pew or our guest book and come back to visit again soon.

Attendance Last Week— 205 (69/136)      Bible Study – 39

Offering Last Week—\$13,919.00

*(Meeting our 2022 Ministry Plan requires weekly offerings of \$14,078.00.)*

*"I will listen to what God the LORD will say;*

*He promises peace to his people, his saints."*

*(Psalm 85:8)*

## Announcements:

1. **Bible Class** We will resume Bible class today at 8:00 a.m. We will begin a study of the Book of Psalms. Bible class meets in the fellowship area downstairs. Please join us as we “Book Through the Bible.”
2. **Woman’s Bible Class** – The Women’s Bible Study (Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.) have started the new book “More Prepared to Answer” by Mark Paustian. We will continue with “Where was God when I needed Him.” Each lesson stands alone so feel free to join at any time. Hope to see you there! *Debbie Lenser.*
3. **Thank You** Sincere thanks to members of St. Matthews, friends, former students, and many others for the cards, notes, and other remembrances at the 90<sup>th</sup> open house on my birthday. *“O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good!” Arden Wentzel*
4. **New Church Pictorial Directory** Dates for pictures have been set for August 23 and August 24 from 2:00-8:30 p.m. We would like to make this directory as accurate as possible so please sign up today in the back of church or online. If you sign up online, simply go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com), click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter wi219 in the Church Code field and enter photos in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family’s appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family, please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time. If you have any questions, please contact Dale Beutin (608) 774-5177. Thank you!
5. **Sprouts** Children ages 0-preschool are welcome to join Sprouts for a special hour of playtime in conjunction with Summer Bible Camp. The group will meet Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-10:00 a.m. outside next to the school playground.
6. **Meals on Wheels** August 15 thru Aug. 19, 2022: **Meals on Wheels** – St. Matthew’s will deliver “Meals on Wheels “August 15<sup>th</sup> thru Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>. We have three routes with two people needed per route (one person to drive, one person to deliver the meal).

Meals are picked up at Mercy Hospital at 11:00 a.m. Please see the signup sheet on the lower bulletin board if you are able to help. If you have any questions or are a first-time volunteer, please contact Sally Wellnitz (752-2037). Thank you!

7. **Hearing Loop** It's kind of an odd name for something potentially so beneficial to those with hearing difficulties. Thanks to a member's gift, a hearing loop was installed in the sanctuary over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Hearing aids can be set to receive just the pastor's voice. This works well anywhere within the seating area. If you are unsure how to make this work, you're encouraged to check with your audiologist.
8. **Summer Bible Camp July 19, 20, and 21** (God's Wonder Lab – Jesus Does the Impossible) At God's Wonder Lab, we'll learn about Jesus, our Savior, and meet new friends. We'll also do fun activities, sing great songs, make crafts, play games, eat snacks, and more!

We need our children of all ages to invite their friends, relatives, and neighbors to learn about their Savior, Jesus. Registration forms are located in the back of church or you may register at [stmatthewsjanesville.org](http://stmatthewsjanesville.org), click on Summer Bible Camp 2022.

9. **Snacks Needed for Summer Bible Camp** We are in need of various snacks for Summer Bible Camp. If you are able to contribute, please sign up on the bulletin board in the lower hallway. Thank you!
10. **Registration day for grades K-8 will be held Friday, August 12 from 9:00 – 1:00 p.m. and 4:00-6:00 p.m.** Tuition for St. Matthew's members is \$1,300 per child. The milk fee is \$15.00. Please bring your registration form and any changes for the immunization cards. **Preschool registration will be held on Sunday, August 14, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the school lobby area.** Please bring your forms along as well as your 1<sup>st</sup> quarter payment (3-year-old 1<sup>st</sup> payment - \$225, 4-year-old 1<sup>st</sup> payment \$275). If you can't register at the times listed above, please call early to set up an appointment with the principal. Home visits will begin at the end of July and early August.

11. **Church Council**—The following action was taken by the church council at its meeting on Wednesday evening:

\* The council voted to resume offering the common cup in our distribution of the Lord’s Supper beginning in August. The action came at the request of a number of our members. The common cup will be offered in Sunday services and special services; on Thursdays we will continue to offer only individual cups.

\* The council approved a plan to create a “volunteer board” where information will be provided for our members about the various opportunities for service that exist within our congregation. Members (especially our newer members) sometimes wonder about how to get involved with things like serving as ushers or greeters, how to help with church cleaning, the altar guild, or Master’s Gardeners. The volunteer board will provide a bit of information about these various areas of service and include information about the person to contact for additional information or to volunteer. We pray that this “volunteer board” will assist those, who motivated by Christ’s love, wish to “Serve the LORD with gladness.”

\* The council was informed that the proposed “hearing loop” has been installed. We hope that people with difficulty hearing will benefit from it. We also have several headsets that will provide additional help for the hearing impaired and we can obtain more headsets if needed. Please let us know if the loop is helping.

\* The treasurer’s report indicated that the offerings we have returned to our gracious God through the first half of this year continue to fall short of the amount needed to fully fund our ministry plan. Here is a break-down of our offerings by area through the end of June:

	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
General Fund/Debt	\$311,700.00	\$272,700.00	-\$39,000.00
WELS	\$28,200.00	\$28,200.00	0
Lakeside LHS	<u>\$24,100.00</u>	<u>\$24,100.00</u>	<u>0</u>
	\$364,000.00	\$325,000.00	<b>-\$39,000.00</b>

\* As you can see, our offerings are running nearly \$40,000.00 behind the requirements of the ministry plan we adopted for this

year. It's not time to panic, but we don't want to let things get out of hand or we will have a high hill to climb to meet all of our obligations by the end of the year. The report also indicated that our offerings for this year which total \$325,000.00 are running 6% *behind* last year's total at the same point (which was \$345,000.00). There is no question that we adopted an aggressive ministry plan for the current year, but it is also true that the Lord has blessed the members of St. Matthew's with the wherewithal to fully fund that plan. Let us each take a moment to consider the rich spiritual and material blessings the Lord has freely given us and then respond to God's grace accordingly. As the Apostle Paul writes: *"Each one should give as he has determined in his heart, not reluctantly or under pressure, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all you need, you will overflow in every good work"* (2 Corinthians 9:7,8).

\* We would be remiss if we failed to note a couple of facts about the financial statement. First, while our offerings are falling short of fully funding our ministry plan...they are still very generous offerings and we thank the members of St. Matthew's for their generosity. Above all, we thank our gracious God whose boundless love in Christ has warmed the hearts of his people here to give so freely. Second, the report indicated that the amount we still owe on the loan that was taken out to build our school has now slipped below \$300,000.00 (\$298,357.39)! For this, too, we thank our gracious God and pray for his continued blessing on our efforts here at St. Matthew's Church and School!

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### **Assisting with Worship**

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#### **Organist:**

Meredith Moeller

#### **Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. – Fred Shadoski, Russ Scott

#### **Next Week Ushers:**

9:00 a.m. – Jim Langkamp, Grant Langkamp, Phil Madsen

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## Assisting with Worship (continued)

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### CODS:

6:30 p.m. – Tom Timmermann

9:00 a.m. – Rich Hatfield

### Next Week CODS:

6:30 p.m. – Doug McIlvain

9:00 a.m. – Marc Augsburg

### Church Cleaning:

July 23, 2022 – Kathy Tanko & Tom Timmermann families

July 30, 2022 – Gerald Wellnitz & Bob Williams families

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## This Week at St. Matthew's

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### **Sunday**

Bible Class 8:00 a.m.

Worship with Lord's

Supper 9:00 a.m.

### **Tuesday**

Summer Bible Camp

Registration 8:30-8:45 a.m.

Camp 8:45-11:30 a.m.

### **Wednesday**

Summer Bible Camp

Camp 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Sprouts 9:00-10:00 a.m.

No Women's Bible Study

### **Thursday**

Summer Bible Camp

Camp 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Worship 6:30 p.m.

### **Sunday**

Bible Class 8:00 a.m.

Worship 9:00 a.m.



