



Sunday, July 24, 2016

Worship 9:00 am

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*10th Sunday after Pentecost
ELW Holy Communion Setting Ten*

HYMN SING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may stand as able and make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✙ one God, abounding in steadfast love toward us, healing the sick and raising the dead, showering us with every good gift.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Just and gracious God,

C: we come to you for healing and life. Our sins hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God. Bind up our wounds, forgive us our sins, and free us to love, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

P: The apostle Paul assures us:

“When we were dead in our trespasses,
God made us alive together with Christ,
nailing the record of our sins to the cross.”

Jesus says to you, ✙ “Your sins are forgiven.”

Be at peace, and tell everyone
how much God has done for you.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* **ELW 533**

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than

we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

The assembly is seated.

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:20-32

²⁰Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.”

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?”

²⁶And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” ²⁷Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” ²⁹Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” ³⁰Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” ³¹He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” ³²Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 138

A: ¹I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with | my whole heart;
before the gods I will | sing your praise.

C: ²I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your
name, because of your steadfast | love and faithfulness;
for you have glorified your name and your word a- | bove all
things.

A: ³When I called, you | answered me;
you increased my | strength within me.

C: ⁴**All the rulers of the earth will praise | you, O LORD,
when they have heard the words | of your mouth.**

A: ⁵They will sing of the ways | of the LORD,
that great is the glory | of the LORD.

C: ⁶**The LORD is high, yet cares | for the lowly,
perceiving the haughty | from afar. R**

A: ⁷Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you | keep me safe; you
stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right |
hand shall save me.

C: ⁸**You will make good your pur- | pose for me;
O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon
the works | of your hands.**

SECOND READING: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live
your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the
faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty
deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits
of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole full-
ness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who
is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circum-
cised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh
in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in bap-
tism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God,
who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses
and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with
him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that
stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to
the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public
example of them, triumphing over them in it. [

¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and
drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are on-
ly a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.

¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and wor-
ship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human
way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the
whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews,
grows with a growth that is from God.]

L: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

P: The holy gospel according to Luke. **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹[Jesus] was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”²He said to them, “When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

⁵And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

**TIME FOR CHILDREN
SERMON**

HYMN OF THE DAY *Day by Day*

ELW 790

The assembly stands as able

APOSTLES' CREED

A: With the whole church we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the
Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,**

**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Rooted in Christ and rising to serve, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. *(A brief silence.)* Faithful God, through diverse cultures and countries, your Spirit weaves us together as one church. Help us all, your disciples, to ask for the things we need, confident that you hear us.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

A: ...We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting your promise to hear us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

After sharing a sign of peace, the assembly is seated.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* **ELW 184**

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet.
Welcome to the feast.

The assembly is seated

SHARING COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All baptized Christians who believe the words "This is my body given for you, shed for you, for the forgiveness of sins" are welcome to come forward to receive this gift of grace. Please wait for ushers to direct you to the front of the sanctuary. You may kneel at the railing or stand. Take the bread and eat. Take the cup (wine is purple, grape juice is yellow) and drink. Keep the cup and place in bowl the provided through the side exit as you leave the altar and walk back to your pew. If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, let the ushers know and we will bring communion to you. If you prefer not to receive communion but would like to receive a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest. May these gifts keep you in eternal life.

COMMUNION SONG

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COMMUNION HYMN

O Bread of Life from Heaven

ELW 480

COMMUNION HYMN

Eat This Bread: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life **ELW 472 3X**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. O God, as a mother comforts her child, so you comfort your people, carrying us in your arms and satisfying us with this food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Send us now as your disciples, announcing peace and proclaiming that the reign of God has come near; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✚ give you peace.

C: 7Amen.

DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Proclaim the good news. **C:** **Thanks be to God.**

~Worship Leaders~

Pastor ~ Pastor Brenda Lovick

Assisting Minister ~ Vicki Schuh **Lector** ~ Trudy Spike

Acolytes ~ Allison Lund & Isaiah Long

Greeter ~ Joanne Gyland **Ushers** ~ Scott & Jackie Zahn Family

Communion Set up/Take down ~ Barb Klemp & Jean Carlson

Communion Assistants ~ Dennis Lund & Karen Hayes

Offering Counters ~ Carroll Ehrke & Scott Nottestad

Musician ~ Judy Rusch

Nursery ~ Jenna Christensen **Church Lock-up** ~ Arvid Mathison

Altar Flowers ~ Steadfast Circle

Fellowship Coffee Hour ~ Steadfast Circle

Attendance Report:

Sunday, July 17: 63

Sunday, July 10: 96

Sunday, July 3: 72

Sunday, June 26: 89

Income in May exceeded Expenses by \$3,050. In May, General Offerings also were over the budgeted amount for the month by \$2,280. So, year-to-date, we are not quite as far behind as before for meeting the congregation-approved budget requirements. We are trailing \$8,712.

The offerings for May were \$2,670 more than for May 2015. Year-to-date, General offerings are \$8,755 more than for 2015.

Treasurer's Report

Weekly Offerings Report		
	July	
	Goal to meet	July
7/17/16	"Full-Time"	Offerings
Offerings	Budget	to Date
\$ 1,904.00	\$ 15,056.28	\$ 10,321.00

~Calendar of Events~

Sunday, July 24, 2016

- 9:00am Worship
10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour
10:15am Stewardship Committee Meeting in Friendship Hall

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
9:30am Prayers for Our People
11am-2pm Pastor's office hours

Wednesday, July 27, 2016

- 5:30pm ARK meeting in Council Room

Thursday, July 28, 2016

- 9:00am Newsletter Assembly
9:30am Synod Clergy Women gathering at EKLC

Sunday, July 31, 2016

- 9:00am Worship
10:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour
10:30am Mutual Ministry Committee Meeting

~Prayers~

Please note: If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please make note on your communion/welcome card. You may also notify the office before noon on Wednesday.

Prayer requests will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise requested. **If you wish a person to remain on the prayer list longer than 3 weeks please make note weekly on your prayer card or contact the church office.**

Thank you.

*Denotes new/changed request.

Thanksgiving to God for...

East Koshkonong Lutheran Church's mission and ministry, especially this week (see calendar)

-Prayers for the ministries of Lindsay Stolen,

God's guidance and direction for those with healing and health concerns...

-Ron Buser

-Kristina Trizan

-Griffin Clark

-Johnnie Jacobson*

-Deanna Nottestad*

-Orin Kaare*

-John W. Olson*

-The grieving families of Chuck Mauer*, Betty Hommen and Doreen Ehrke Van Schoyck (Betty is Linda Mathison's mother) (Doreen is Carroll Ehrke's sister) (Chuck is Lynn Rude Mauer's husband)

God's protection & safety for people of the world.

-For global refugee crisis.

-For the peace among all the nations of the world.

God's protection and safety for those being deployed...

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty: Joe Janness. Give them all God's comfort in their memories of war and their service to their country. (Please let office know if you have a family member on active duty that is not included in these prayers so they can be added.)

~Announcements~

Visitors, welcome! We are glad to share Christian worship and fellowship with you. Please ask our ushers for a packet of info about East Koshkonong. To participate in worship, please follow the order of worship in the bulletin. Page numbers are in the front of the ELW (cranberry hymnal), and hymn numbers are in the back of the hymnal. You are always welcome at the table of Holy Communion where Christ is our host, inviting all of us to "come and eat." Please fill out a communion card, and hand it to an usher as you come forward for communion. Prayer requests, comments, or questions may be written on the back of the communion card. We hope to see you again soon at EKLC.

A brief memorial service will be held on Friday, July 29 at 11:00 am in the East Koshkonong cemetery for James Lee, who passed away on January 8, in Northfield, MN. James is formerly of Cambridge. All are welcome to gather in this time and place.

Ark Meeting July 27th at 5:30pm in Council Room.

No Meals on Wheels July 18th - August 15th since the Family Restaurant will be closed during this time.

Sign up for Pastor Brenda to visit you! Pastor would like to visit you at home or at work if you would like a visit. In the narthex, you will find a clipboard sign up sheet for visits from Pastor Brenda. Please sign up and she will contact you to arrange a time to visit. Thank you!

Would anyone like the piano in the sanctuary or the upright in the Fellowship Hall? These are both being offered without any cost. Put your name on a piece of paper in the shoebox in the narthex. Specify which piano you would like. There will be a drawing on July 31st. The pianos will need to be moved before August 7th. You would be responsible for moving them to your home.

August 14th is the Annual EKLC Family Reunion and Pie Auction. EKL Youth will also be doing a car wash! More info to come! Sign up sheets for serving, clean up, donating salads and baking pies are in the narthex.

Quilt Raffle A quilt has been donated to our church to help defray the cost of musical instruments and instrument yearly maintenance. A raffle drawing will take place at the Family Reunion on August 14. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 and will be available during weekly worship until August 14. 100% of the ticket sales will go toward future care/tuning/repairs of our musical instruments at church.

Habitat for Humanity Next Habitat build dates are: 9/6, 9/10.

Choir It is time for EKLC choir to resume. WE are looking for new members as well as our returning members. **We will practice on August 14th at 8 A.M.** This will get us started on pieces for September as well as review "All Day Sunday Singing" to perform for the Second Annual East Koshkonong Family Reunion and Pie Auction on the 14th. **Please consider joining us--we need you!**

~ Sermon notes ~
