

Be merciful,
JUST AS YOUR FATHER
is merciful.
LUKE 6:36

Sunday, July 29, 2018

9:00 a.m.

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~Welcome Visitors!~

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.

Sunday, July 29, 2018

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

HYMN SING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, full of compassion and mercy, abounding in steadfast love.

C: Amen.

P: Trusting God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Eternal God our creator,

C: in you we live and move and have our being. Look upon us, your children, the work of your hands. Forgive us all our offenses, and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires. By your grace draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Christ died for us while we still were sinners;

and for his sake, God forgives you all your sins.

C: Amen.

*GREETING

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

A: 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.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE

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*PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Judy Rusch

FIRST READING: Romans 7:14-25; 8:1-11

Chapter 7

¹⁴For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. ¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Chapter 8

¹There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has

set you free from the law of sin and of death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. ⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. ⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law — indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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***GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together,

running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *Christ, Be Our Light*

ELW 715

***APOSTLES' CREED**

A: With the whole church let us confess our faith.

C: 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: Trusting in our loving and almighty God who abundantly provides the bread of life to all who hunger, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Loving God, we pray for all those who gather to celebrate the holy feast of Christ's body and blood. Strengthen every member of your church in love, faith, and service...

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: ...Almighty and loving God, we look to you in hope and trust, knowing that you will do far more than we can ask or imagine, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

***PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MISSION MINUTE

*OFFERING

*OFFERTORY *Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil* ELW 512

*OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Merciful God, you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing. You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it. Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it. We pray this through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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.

*PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

HOLY COMMUNION AROUND THE ALTAR

Welcome to the Lord's Table! All are welcome to participating this gift of life. Are you wondering what to expect?

To read about what Lutherans believe about communion, please read "The Sacrament of the Altar" from the Small Catechism, which you will find in the back of the hymnal Evangelical Lutheran Worship on p. 1166.

When you are ushered forward, please kneel or stand at the railing. When you are given bread, you may eat it. Wine and grape juice are served in trays with cups. Wine is purple; grape juice is yellow. Take a small cup and drink.

Please let the server know if you need a gluten free option.

You may receive a blessing without communion; please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.

If you are unable to come forward and would like to receive communion, please let the ushers know. We will come to you.

LAMB OF GOD

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COMMUNION HYMN *Oh, Worship the King*

ELW 842

COMMUNION HYMN *The Lord's My Shepherd*

ELW 778

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love. Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope.

Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *For the Beauty of the Earth

ELW 879

***DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.

C: Thanks be to God.

~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 John and Amy Lindstrom.

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

-Bryan Porter

-Kevin Porter

-Justin Bloomer

-Lowell Severson

-Lyle Walheim

-Erica Lien

-Sara Depies

-JoAnn Zimmerman

-Don Ovsak

-Harriet Eikland

-The grieving family of Bill Gill. *Bill is Steve Gill's uncle.*

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

-For the work of Lutheran Disaster Response.

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

-Please remember all our veterans, and those on active duty. 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.)

~Calendar~

Sunday, July 29, 2018

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

Tuesday, July 31, 2018

- 8:30am Staff Meeting
- 9:30am Prayers for Our People
- 10am-1pm Pastor's Office Hours
- 12:00pm Area Senior Dining @ Amundson Center, Cambridge

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

- 10:00am Religion Conversation
- 1:30pm Clergy Meeting at Trinity in Fort Atkinson
- 7:00pm Worship Committee

Thursday, August 2, 2018

- 8:00am Pin & Sew

Friday, August 3, 2018

- Office Closed
- Pastor's Day Off
- 12:00pm Area Senior Dining @ Amundson Center, Cambridge

Sunday, August 5, 2018, Bike MS at EKLC

- 9:00am Worship
- 10:00am Coffee Hour
- 10:30am New Member Meeting

~Announcements~

Church Directory Photography Sign up open today in Narthex! We need YOU to make our 175th Anniversary directory complete! You can sign up for your photography session in the **church narthex Sunday mornings** or online at: appt.lifetouch.com Mon. - Thur. (online signup will be closed 2:00pm Thursdays - 9am Mondays)

Erika Lund to ride in Bike MS On August 5, EKLC will host a rest station for Bike MS, a fundraising bike ride for raising awareness and fundraising about Multiple Sclerosis. Our very own Erika Lund is riding in this event! If you would like to donate to her cause, follow this link <https://www.facebook.com/donate/1991638934496970/> and make a donation. On August 5, come with encouraging posters and pom poms and we'll make a cheering squad for Erika and all the other riders that come through EKLC. Thank you, Erika, for your riding, and encouraging us to invest in ending MS.

COME ON DOWN TO THE PRAIRIE AND PRAY!

Mark your calendars for worship on August 12th. We will hear some old gospel tunes as well as familiar hymns all accompanied by a variety of instruments. After the service, ARK will treat you to an ice cream social . Invite your friends and family.

TIME FOR CHOIR It is time to resume practice for the EKLC choir. We will be preparing for Rally Day on Sept. 9th. All practices are held at 8 A.M. the second and fourth Sunday of each month. In order to keep the tradition of choral music at EKLC, we need more members to sing praises during worship and special times. Please consider joining us and encourage your friends and family to come as well. The August practices will be on the 12th and 26th. Any questions, call Vicki Schuh, 423-4006.

~Announcements~

EKLC is seeking an individual to fill the Financial Secretary position The financial secretary would accurately process the financial information for EKLC. This is a year-round position. If you are interested in this position and want to learn more about it, please contact the Church Office for a job description and application or visit our website at:
www.eastkoshkonong.org

Would you like to provide Altar Flowers for a Sunday? The sign up is on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Simply Giving options at EKLC East Koshkonong has an opportunity for you to give your offering with an automatic electronic withdrawal with Simply Giving from Vanco. This makes giving convenient for you, and it helps our congregation have consistent income. In order to sign up for this opportunity, we have a handwritten form for you to complete and turn in to our financial secretary. You can find the form in the narthex. If you have any questions about this, please ask a member of our Stewardship Committee or Financial Secretary Elizabeth Kaashagen. Our Stewardship Committee is Kristen Lien, Sonja Jacobson, Brenda Schroeder, Hilary Terland, Gloria Fruit. Thank you!

The Education Committee is seeking a Superintendent and dedicated teachers for the growing Sunday School Program at EKLC. Sunday School teachers will be assigned up to 10 children to instruct on a weekly basis (Sept-May), using the curriculum selected, and assist the Superintendent to implement all aspects of youth ministry. To volunteer please speak with an Education Committee Member: Chris Frodel, Gloria Fruit, Jamie Lewellin or Ann Nottestad.

~Worship Leaders~

Presider ~ Rev. Brenda Lovick, Pastor

Assisting Minister ~ Vicki Schuh **Lector** ~ Carolyn Lien

Acolytes ~ Sully Schlieckau & Anders Amundson

Greeter ~ Sabra Jacobson

Ushers ~ Wilma Furseth, Bea Householder, Franklin & Beverly Lien

Communion Set-up/Take-down ~ Judy Taylor & Marge Stach

Communion Assistants ~ Carroll & Bonnie Ehrke

Offering Counters ~ Carroll Ehrke & Joy Graffin

Musician ~ Judy Rusch **Special Music** ~ Judy Rusch

Audio Ministry ~ Bonnie Ehrke **Coffee Hour** ~ Jane Furseth

Nursery ~ Jenna Christensen

Church Lock up ~ Gloria Fruit

~Attendance Report~

July 22, 2018: 68

July 15, 2018: 97

July 8, 2018: 77

July 1, 2018 60

~Offering Report~

Offerings for 7/22/18	July Offerings to meet Budget Goal	July Offerings to Date
\$ 2,807.00	\$ 18,456.26	\$ 12,532.00