

The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens
Worship Service September 20 and 21

Welcome

Leader: One generation passes away, and another generation comes;

ALL: But the earth abides forever.

Leader: The sun also rises, and the sun goes down,

ALL: And hastens to the place where it arose.

Leader: The wind goes toward the south, and turns around to the north;

ALL: And comes again on its circuit.

Leader: All the rivers run into the sea, yet the sea is not full;

ALL: And they return again from whence they came.

Leader: That which has been is what will be, that which is done is what will be done,

ALL: And there is nothing new under the sun.

Leader: Whatever God does, it shall be forever.

ALL: Nothing can be added to it, and nothing taken from it.

8:30am and 6:30pm "Christ Is our Cornerstone"

Christ is our cornerstone, on Him alone we build;

With His true saints alone the courts of heaven are filled.

On His great love our hopes we place

Of present grace and joys above.

Oh, then, with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring;

Our voices we will raise the Three in One to sing

And thus proclaim in joyful song,

Both loud and long, that glorious name.

Here, gracious God, do now and evermore draw near;

Accept each faithful vow, and every suppliant hear.

In copious shower on all who pray

Each holy day Your blessing pour.

Here may we gain from heav'n the grace which we implore,

And may that grace, once giv'n, be with us evermore

Until that day when all the blest

To endless rest are called away.

10:00am "Make Us One"

One with the Father, One with the Spirit, One with the Son of God
One with our sister, One with our brother, One family by the blood
Make us one, Make us one, Your will be done, Make us one

One heart with heaven, One mind connected, One body unified
Bind us together, Now and forever, Jesus be glorified
Make us one, Make us one, Your will be done, Make us one
Make us one, Make us one, Your will be done, Make us one

We confess all our offenses, We confess we've been afraid
We repent of all our pride, Let all the hurt be washed away

For all the wars and violence against our enemy
Come heal our land with Your great river
Restore the family and

Make us one, Make us one, Your will be done, Make us one
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Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Children's Message

Scripture Reading – Colossians 3:1-4; 11-14 and other selected verses.

"We know that we live in Him and He in us. Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. There is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all. Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity."

**“Christ-Centered, One Another Relationship”
John 13; Colossians 3; John 4**

“A New command I give you. Love one another. As I have loved you, you must love one another.” John 13:34

One another relationships begin with Christ’s relationship with you.

*“You have been raised with Christ.”
Colossians 3:1*

Christ is the hub for your relationships.

Love/forgive/be devoted/accept/serve/encourage/stir up: one another.

‘Just as’ - Love one another as Christ has loved you.

Forgive one another as Jesus forgive you.

Serve one another just as Jesus serves you.

Cultivate Christ-centered relationships.

Christ-centered relationships choose ‘we’ over ‘me.’

Bonhoeffer: “God permits Christians to meet together and gives them community. Their fellowship is founded solely upon Jesus Christ and His righteousness. All we can say, therefore, is the community of Christians springs solely from the biblical and Reformation message of the justification of man through grace alone; this alone is the basis of the longing of Christians for one another.”

You cultivate relationships as a way to express what Christ has done for you.

“May my followers also be in us so that the world may believe that You have sent Me . . . So that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that You sent Me and have loved them even as You have loved Me.” John 17:21,23

Be intentional about cultivating Christ-centered relationships.

Confession and Words of Forgiveness

Heavenly Father, I have often lived a selfish, self-centered life. I have chosen to take care of myself instead of taking care of others. As a result, I haven't cultivated Christ-centered relationships. I have been satisfied with surface-level relationships. I've even been satisfied adding you to my relationships, instead of centering them in you. For the sake of Jesus, please forgive me.

Offering and Contact Tracing

8:30am Vocal Quartet "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Arranged, J. S. Bach

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him for He is thy Health and Salvation!
Join the full throng; wake harp and psalter and song;
Sound forth in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth!
Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth;
Hast thou not seen how thy desires all have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
He is thy Light; soul keep it always in sight
Gladly forever adore Him!

10:00am "Drink Offering"

My life I bring Like a drink offering and pour it out
To serve You, my King, at Your feet ministering, I'll pour it out
Saturated in Your presence, Your extravagance filling my soul

Your love is like the sweetest wine; and Your glory like the heavens it shines
So I will gather up All that is mine and I'll pour it out To You

I want to be Like Mary of Bethany, and pour it out
To take all I own All I've planted and grown and pour it out
To wash off Your feet with my glory;
To anoint You, my Savior, with tears

Your love is like the sweetest wine; and Your glory like the heavens it shines
So I will gather up All that is mine and I'll pour it out
Your love is like the sweetest wine; and Your glory like the heavens it shines
So I will gather up All that is mine and I'll pour it out To You

If I truly could Give what You're due Lord I'd never stop worshiping You
If I truly could Fathom Your fame Lord, I'd never stop praising Your name

Your love is like the sweetest wine; and Your glory like the heavens it shines
So I will gather up All that is mine and I'll pour it out
Your love is like the sweetest wine; and Your glory like the heavens it shines
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6:30pm "295 Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love;
The unity of heart and mind Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayer;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, Our mutual burdens bear,
And often for each other flows The sympathizing tear.

From sorrow, toil, and pain And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign Through all eternity.

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

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.

10am Baptism of Mason Richard Ludwig

8:30am and 6:30pm "The Church's One Foundation"

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses with every grace endued.

Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us, may see You face to face.

10:00am "Cornerstone"

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

Christ alone, cornerstone, Weak made strong in the Savior's love;
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the raging flood;
When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay,

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless stand before the throne.

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Field worker announcement

Announcements

Benediction

Grace and peace by yours in abundance. So now in your hearts, set apart Jesus as Lord.
Always be prepared to give an answer for the hope that you have. 1 Peter 1:1, 3:15

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Steps in Discipleship

God always meets us right where we are and then calls us to take "Next Steps" in our spiritual growth. During times when gathering for church campus discipleship opportunities are challenging, we have put together ministry resources on our website that will help individuals and households take ownership in their Next Steps from home. Would you go to the website this week and look at the ways God is calling you to walk in those next steps with Him? Check it out [HERE](#).

Call Committee's Next Steps

The Call Committee is moving forward with next steps in the call process for a new senior pastor to fill Pastor Christiansen's position when he retires in 2022. Both a summary of the survey results and a ministry description for this position are now available on the [Call Process](#) page of the website. In addition, if you are aware of a qualified candidate you would like to nominate, please submit his name via our nomination form that is available on that same page. The committee will be accepting nominations from the congregation until October 11, 2020. Please check the website for additional information and contact the committee if you have questions.

PRAYERS

We pray for health and personal concerns for ...

Members and Guests: Susan Fritsche

Family and Friends: David Callaway, Pat Delf's friend Gerry, Hadley Kalb, Teresa Nelson's parents and friend Carol, Beverly Papham, Rachel Taback, the teachers and staff at CCLS, those impacted by the wildfires on the West Coast including Doris Rittmann's daughter, Sarah and family and relatives of Cindy Lacks.

We grieve with...

- Helen Marecek, John, Leslie and Jennifer on the death of husband and father, Greg Marecek on Sept. 13.

We rejoice with...

- Jamie and Cheryl Brinker (daughter Katelyn Emma Brinker), Michael and Melissa Pahde (son Brooks Michael Pahde), and Heather McCain and James Ludwig (son Mason Richard Ludwig) on the baptism of their children today.