

## **Community Lutheran Church**

October 15, 2017

#### **Prelude**

Above Every Name By John W. Peterson

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Invocation**

Every worship service opens by invoking the name, the presence, and the power of the one true God, the God in whose name and by whose power we became members of the Holy Christian Church in our Baptism.

(Pastor) In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. *(Everyone) Amen.* 

## **Prayer of Confession of Sin**

We pray to confess our sin to God and ask His forgiveness to remain humble before Him.

(Everyone) O Almighty God, as we are now in the fall season, and the days are getting shorter, we are reminded that life is also moving by quickly, and each day is important! Thus, this past week, we desired to serve the Christian cause in our life. But temptation to sin came to bear in our lives, we gave in through weakness, and so we have come away disheartened and ashamed of our sins and weaknesses. Please forgive us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and His merits won for us at Calvary. We plead His precious blood shed on our behalf, and seek only Your pardon and peace. In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Grace**

We remember the Good News that God forgives our sin because of Jesus.

(Pastor) The Bible tells us that we are to penitently and sincerely confess our sins. Having done so in faith, we now humbly seek God's pardon. Christ has promised to us His forgiveness because of His suffering and death at Calvary. Thus, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, and in the stead and by command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Hymn of the Day

Rejoice in the Lord Always # 489

Pianist: Shirlene Everhart

Children's Sermonette

Pastor Ralph Buchhorn

## **We Worship Through Our Giving**

We express our gratitude to God as we give to support the work of the church so that more people may hear the Good News about Jesus. Please ask an usher if you need an envelope.

## **Offertory**

There Is No Greater Love By John W. Peterson

## We Worship Through Speaking and Hearing the Word of God

We read the Word of God to strengthen, encourage, and challenge us for the week ahead.

## Old Testament Lesson for the Day

Isaiah 25:6-9

<sup>6</sup> In Jerusalem, the LORD of Heaven's Armies will spread a wonderful feast for all the people of the world. It will be a delicious banquet with clear, well-aged wine and choice meat. <sup>7</sup> There he will remove the cloud of gloom, the shadow of death that hangs over the earth. <sup>8</sup> He will swallow up death forever! The Sovereign LORD will wipe away all tears. He will remove forever all insults and mockery against his land and people. The LORD has spoken! <sup>9</sup> In that day the people will proclaim, "This is our God! We trusted in him, and he saved us! This is the LORD, in whom we trusted. Let us rejoice in the salvation he brings!"

Epistle Philippians 4:4-13

<sup>4</sup>Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do. Remember, the Lord is coming soon. <sup>6</sup> Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. <sup>7</sup> Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. <sup>9</sup> Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me—everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you. <sup>10</sup> How I praise the Lord that you are concerned about me again. I know you have always been concerned for me, but you didn't have the chance to help me. <sup>11</sup> Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. <sup>12</sup> I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. <sup>13</sup> For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

(Please stand)

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14

<sup>1</sup> Jesus also told them other parables. He said, <sup>2</sup> "The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a king who prepared a great wedding feast for his son. <sup>3</sup> When the banquet was ready, he sent his servants to notify those who were invited. But they all refused to come! 4 "So he sent other servants to tell them, 'The feast has been prepared. The bulls and fattened cattle have been killed, and everything is ready. Come to the banquet!' <sup>5</sup> But the guests he had invited ignored them and went their own way, one to his farm, another to his business. <sup>6</sup> Others seized his messengers and insulted them and killed them. 7 "The king was furious, and he sent out his army to destroy the murderers and burn their town. <sup>8</sup> And he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, and the guests I invited aren't worthy of the honor. 9 Now go out to the street corners and invite everyone you see.' 10 So the servants brought in everyone they could find, good and bad alike, and the banquet hall was filled with guests. 11 "But when the king came in to meet the guests, he noticed a man who wasn't wearing the proper clothes for a wedding. 12 'Friend,' he asked, 'how is it that you are here without wedding clothes?' But the man had no reply. 13 Then the king said to his aides, 'Bind his hands and feet and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' 14 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

## We Respond to God's Word by Confessing Our Faith

As we recite together the words of the Apostles' Creed, we join the worldwide chorus of followers of Jesus, who, for centuries, have confessed their faith through this simple declaration.

(Everyone) 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, dead, and 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 shall 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.

**Sermon Hymn** 

Peace Like a River #498

<u>Sermon</u>

Pastor Ralph Buchhorn

"Are you dressed for the Wedding?"
Matthew 22:1-14

**General Prayer** 

## **Communion Hymn**

Blessed Assurance #345

## We Worship at the table of the Lord's Supper

Communion — If you prefer grape juice instead of wine, please hold up 2 fingers when you reach the person with the cups.

Everyone who confesses Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior is welcome and invited to join us. Together we receive anew the love and grace that God pours out to us through the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. Come hold in your hands and taste on your lips the love He poured out for you.

Pastor: The Words of Our Lord...(Consecration of the Elements)

(Everyone) 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!

Distribution

#### **Benediction**

A blessing we receive to send us out into the world once again.

**Sending Hymn** 

Just As I Am # 342

# Go In Peace and Serve the Lord! (Everyone) Thanks be to God

Postlude

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation Arr: Cindy Berry

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# Things going on during the week:

Monday—Little Blessings Christian Preschool: "Theme: Fall / Autumn

Letter: Gg Bible: Joseph's Colorful Coat (Genesis 37)"

**Wednesday--Choir Rehearsal:** At church at 5 pm.

**Thursday**—**Potluck Dinner & Bible Study**: Potluck Dinner starts at 6:15 pm followed by Bible Study at 7:00 pm.

## **Prayer Chain Requests**

In order for us to be sensitive to everyone's needs regarding prayer requests, please mark the Connection Card very clearly as to whether you want our prayer chain to pray for you or if it is something you want kept private between you and Pastor. Our prayer chain encompasses a large percentage of our members. We will try calling/emailing if we are unsure how you want your request handled.

#### Mark Your Calendars!

October 21, Saturday -- Free Food Distribution--At the Shack from 9:30 to 10:30 am. If you know of someone who could benefit from the free food distribution, please let them know. Please come and lend a hand with handing out food to those in need. If you can help with set-up, please come at 8:30 am. If you can come later and stay until about 11:00 am to help with putting away leftover food, tables and chairs, your help will be greatly appreciated. Join us in thanking God for the continuation of this ministry!

October 21, Saturday, Women's Bible Study with Debbie Giles -- At 11:00 following the food distribution.

November 4, Saturday, Women's Bible Study -- At 10:00 am at the church.

## October 2017 Birthdays and Anniversaries

Here at Community we celebrate our birthdays/anniversaries each second Sunday of the month. If your birthday is this month, and your name is not on this list, please put a note in the offering plate so we can include yours!

(PS) after the name denotes one of our Preschoolers' birthday.

#### **Birthdays**

10th—Alice Gallagher 16th—Marjie Ericson 25th—Shirlene Everhart

#### <u>Anniversaries</u>

27th-John & Marsha Leichner

## **Community Lutheran Church**

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Kristen Erwin, Preschool Director

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Weekly Se	chedule:
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Sundays 10:00 am Worship Service & Sunday School

11:15 am Community Fellowship Time Refreshments in the Courtyard

Wednesdays 5:00 pm Choir Practice—At church at 5 pm

Thursdays 6:15 pm Dinner and Bible Study

Saturdays 10:00 am Women's Bible Study

The <u>First</u> Saturday of each month.

10:00 am Free Food Distribution

The <u>Third</u> Saturday of each month. from 9:30—10:30 am

11:00 am Women's Bible Study with Debbie Giles

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