



Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church

✠ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost ✠ August 9, 2020

When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing bread and cup of the eucharist, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God's presence to others.

This morning Pastor Haug's summer series on the Book of Genesis focuses on the story of Jacob and his father-in-law, Laban.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world. We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Please stand as
you are able.*

En Bateau (Sailing), from Petite Suite for piano four hands, L 65

Claude Debussy (1862-1918)

Psalm 128

Happy are they all who fear the LORD, and who follow in God's ways!

You shall eat the fruit of your labor; happiness and prosperity shall be yours.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, your children like olive shoots round about your table.

The one who fears the LORD shall thus indeed be blessed.

The LORD bless you from Zion, and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

May you live to see your children's children; may peace be upon Israel.

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

Gathering Hymn

O Word of God Incarnate ELW #514



1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
2 The church from you, dear Mas - ter, re - ceived the gift di - vine;
3 Oh, make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of bur - nished gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine,
to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
oh, teach your wand - ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see you face to face.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.
Music: MUNICH, *Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch*, Meiningen, 1693

Apostolic 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

O God our defender, **storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Rayden Thomas Alden

Parents: **Matthew and Jenna Alden**

Presentation

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

Baptism

C: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

The Baptismal Song Lisa Holt Thompson

You are re - born you are made new;

You are God's chi - ld to - day - - - You are washed in the

wa - ter Blessed by the Word, part of God's fam - ily to stay.

Genesis 29:15-28

Laban deceives Jacob by giving his older daughter, Leah, to Jacob in marriage instead of the promised younger daughter, Rachel. Because of his love for Rachel, Jacob agrees to work for Laban for an additional seven years so that he may also be married to her.



Matthew 14:22-33

Matthew's gospel typically portrays Jesus' disciples as people of "little faith," who fail despite their best intentions. In this story, Matthew shows how Jesus comes to the

✠ Word ✠

*The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community
As God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.*

Reading

¹⁵Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" ¹⁶Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. ¹⁸Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." ¹⁹Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." ²⁰So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

²¹Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." ²²So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. ²³But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. ²⁴(Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) ²⁵When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" ²⁶Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." ²⁸Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Verse



Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Text: Psalm 119:105. Amy Grant, b. 1960

Music: THY WORD, Michael W. Smith, b. 1957

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Gospel

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side [of the Sea of Galilee], while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking toward

*disciples when
they are in trouble
and sustains them
in their time of
fear and doubt.*

them on the sea. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

P: The Gospel of our Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

ELW #773

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,
2 When my way grows . . . dark, pre-cious Lord, let me not,
3 When the dark - ness up - on me and the night draws . . . near,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn,
when my life is . . . at - most . . . gone,
and the day is . . . past and . . . gone,
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light,
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall,
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand,
Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

Text: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899-1959
Music: George N. Allen, 1812-1871, adap. Thomas A. Dorsey
First used in 1888, 1948 United Methodist Church, revised 1948, 1959

PRECIOUS LORD
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Prayers of the Church

P: Confident of your care and helped by the Holy Spirit, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: For your whole church throughout the world. Give courage in the midst of storms,... Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all of whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

*After the greeting, please **share a word or sign** of peace with those around you.*

✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week. We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Sing Praise to God

Johann Jacob Schuetz;
tr. Frances Cox, /Rachel Aarons

*Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of pow'r, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
with healing balm my soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills:
to God all praise and glory.*

*What God's almighty pow'r hath made, his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might, lo! all is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory.*

*Let all who name Christ's holy Name give God all praise and glory;
let all who know his pow'r proclaim aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne, the Lord is God, and he alone:
to God all praise and glory.*

Offertory

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
 give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
 Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho-ly One,
 give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je-sus Christ, his Son.
 And now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
 rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. And
 now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am
 rich," be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!

Last time

Text: Henry Smith

Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

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Offertory Prayer

- A: God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faith-fulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. **Amen.**

✠ Meal ✠

*We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set,
 and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by
 the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.*

Great Thanksgiving

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.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn...



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

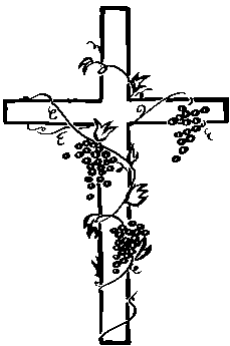
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Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**



Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
The table is ready. All are welcome.



Text: Martin J. Nystrom
Music: AS THE DEER, Martin J. Nystrom

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Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you
in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

A: Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us
with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we
may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

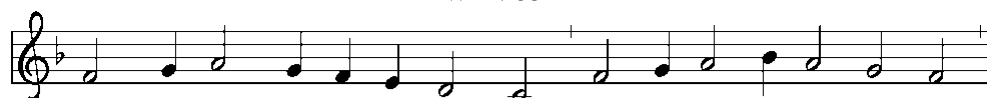
✠SENDING✠

*We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace,
Sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.*

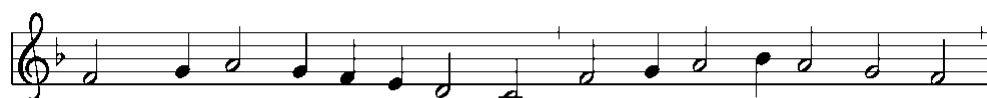
Praise and Thanks and Adoration

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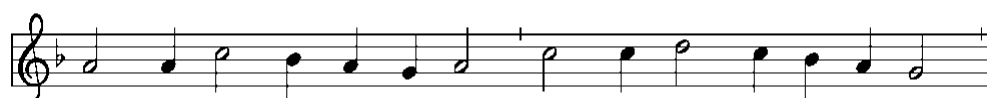
Sending Hymn



1 Praise and thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, Son of God, to you we give,
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing, com - fort me in pain and strife;



for you chose to serve cre - a - tion, died that sin - ers all might live.
through my laugh - ter and my weep - ing, lift me to a no - bler life.



Dear Lord Je - sus, guide my way; faith - ful let me day by day
Draw my fer - vent love to you; con - stant hope and faith re - new



fol - low where your steps are lead - ing, find ad - ven - ture, joys ex - ceed - ing!
in your birth, your life and pas - sion, in your death and res - ur - rec - tion.

Text: Thomas H. Kingo, 1634-1703; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*

Music: FREU DICH SEHR, *Trente quatre psaumes de David*, Geneva, 1551

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Benediction

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

C: Amen.

Announcements

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude *Fantasia pro organo pleno, Opus 1170*

Carson Cooman (b. 1982)

You are free to leave during the Postlude or remain to enjoy the offering of music and praise.

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WELCOME

We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—for prayer and worship and to any of the events our congregation has scheduled. We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

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Kathy Hering

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER LIST



Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of

thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:
The Bracken family on the death of Kathy's father; Jim Jodie, cousin of Carolyn Hagford;
Sam Pederson, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **Jim**

Peterson, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin; **Bruce Payne and Mike Payne**, cousins of Michelle McCreery; **Mary McCarthy**, friend of Nancy McCutcheon; **Lynn Williamson**, family of Bruce and Carol Kuehn; **Heluza Ramos**, grandmother of Rebecca Morell, **Deb Benson**, mother of Kayla Hoel; **Trevor Daniel**, prayer request by Cheri Moe.



Suzanne Pepin 8.10

Phoenix Bruzek 8.11

Jenny Cook 8.13

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members and families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



RETURNING TO WORSHIP

This past week, we began opening the weekly worship recording session to 40 people. You must register ahead of time and follow the Protocol for in-Person Worship. The recording session will be 1 hour long and begins at 7:00. You may contact the Church on Monday morning to register.

For those who do not feel comfortable worshipping on Thursday evenings, but would like to participate in Holy Communion, we will prepare Home Communion packets that may be picked up at the church on Thursday and Friday each week. The packet will include a glass communion cup, the worship bulletin, as well as a vile of consecrated communion wine and bread. This may be reserved through the church office for your family, and may be delivered to those who are homebound.

We know that these times can be stressful and we want to remind you that the church sanctuary is open and available for quiet time and spiritual reflection during the week. Please call the church to make an appointment if you would like to come and spend time in the sanctuary for prayer, meditation, or to light a candle in the light globe. A guided meditation folder will be available upon request.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Haug will lead a virtual Bible study by Zoom for the regular 10:00 am Wednesday morning Bible study group. If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Haug at pastor@loti.org. He will in turn, send you a link and invitation to the group meeting.

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR

If you are interested in participating in a virtual coffee hour on Sunday, please contact Michelle McCreery at michelle.mccreery@loti.org.

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