LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

This morning Pastor Haug continues his summer sermon series on
The Lessons and the Legends of the Apostles. This morning we will meditate on St. Thomas.

He is traditionally commemorated on the Second Sunday of Easter and on July 3rd.

Thomas is perhaps best remembered as Doubting Thomas. But alongside his doubt, the Gospel of John shows
Thomas as fiercely loyal. Thomas makes one of the strongest confessions of faith in the New Testament, My
Lord and my God. From this confession of faith, ancient stories tell of Thomas' missionary work to India,

where Christian communities were flourishing a thousand years before

the arrival of the 16th- century missionaries.



Incredulity of Saint Thomas, Marco Richiedei, 17c

Inspired by Christ, living and growing in faith, we are a loving and open community of worship, witness, and service in God's world.



■ 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

Pavane: The Earl of Salisbury

William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

Welcome

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Call to Worship

Psalm 136

Please stand as

you are able.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the God of gods,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords,

for his steadfast love endures forever; who alone does great wonders,

for his steadfast love endures forever;

It is he who remembered us in our low estate,

for his steadfast love endures forever; and rescued us from our foes,

for his steadfast love endures forever; who gives food to all flesh,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the God of heaven,

for his steadfast love endures forever.

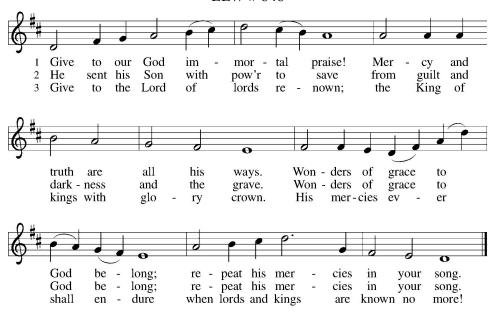
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen.



Gathering Hymn

Give to Our God Immortal Praise! ELW # 848



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

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

Ever-living God, you strengthened your apostle Thomas with firm and certain faith in the resurrection of your Son. Grant that we too may confess our faith in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit; one God now and forever. Amen

▼ The Sacrament of Holy Baptism ▼

Winona Ofstedal Watts Parents: Tyler Watts and Edith Ofstedal

Profession of Faith Please stand,

Presentation Please be seated.

as you are able.



Please be seated.

Thanksgiving at the Font

Baptism

Please join in singing this refrain.

- 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.



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.



₩ Word ₩

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

Gospel John 14:1-7

R: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And you know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵ Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

R: The Gospel of Our Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Sing verse 1, verse 2 below, & verse 3.



2 All praise to you for Thomas, whose short-lived doubting prove your perfect two-fold nature, and all your depth of love. May all who live with questions have faith in you restored; grant us the grace to know you, to say, "My God and Lord."

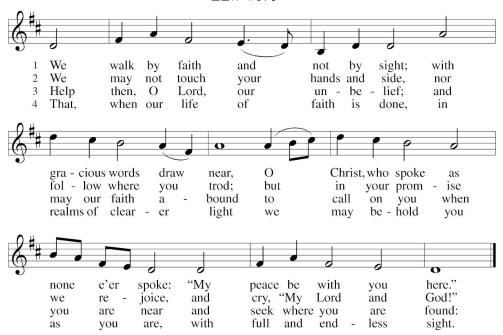
Sermon *Please be seated*

The Lessons and Legends of the Apostles – St. Thomas

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Hymn of the Day *Please stand as* you are able.

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight *ELW* #675



Text: Henry Alford, 1810–1871, alt. Music: DUNLAP'S CREEK, Samuel McFarland, fl. 1816

Prayers of the Church

P: Confident that God receives our joys and concerns, let us offer our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

A: God of the covenant, you call ministers to proclaim your gospel of grace throughout the world.... 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 of peace with your neighbors.

■ 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.



Anthem

Carol of Doubting Thomas

Anthony Greening

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
O sons and daughters, let us sing!
The King of Heaven, the glorious King,
Over death today rose triumphing.
Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word.

Alleluia!

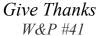
"My piercèd side, O Thomas, see; My hands, My feet, I show to thee; Not faithless but believing be." Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!

How blessed are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith has constant been; For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!

Offertory
Please stand as
you are able.







Text: Henry Smith Music: GIVE THANKS, Henry Smith

Offertory Prayer

A: God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things. Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: 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...

You Are Holy ELW #525





Words of Institution

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Lord's Prayer

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

Please be seated

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



As The Deer W&P #9

for

As the deer pants

You a - lone are my strength, my shield, to you a - lone may my spir-it yield;

you a - lone are my heart's de - sire, and I long to wor-ship you.

a - lone are my heart's de - sire and I long to wor - ship you.

Distribution Music

Allegretto from Sonata IV in B-Flat Major, Op. 65
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

the wa-ter, so my soul longs af - ter

Distribution

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you toward the front of the church for communion.

Post-Communion
Blessing
Please stand as
you are able.

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

Post-Communion Prayer

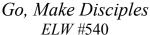
A: We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table. Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord..

C: Amen.

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.

Closing Hymn







Text: Handt Hanson, b. 1950
Music: GO, MAKE DISCIPLES, Handt Hanson
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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. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Fugue in D, BWV 532

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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

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. We will continue to have Sunday services online.
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	Pastor	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
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	-	Steve Hoyt
		David and Mary Goplen
		Mary Jubenville
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	Coffee Host	Linda Nelson & Twyla Hobbs
Church Officers	President.	Marty Carlson
	Vice President.	Steve Hoyt
	Treasurer.	Ross Bartels
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	Custodian/Caretakers.	Sarah & Trevor Skorburg

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 9	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube
	10:30 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Theatre Group	Fellowship Hall
Monday, July 10		Church Office Closed Mondays During Summer Months	
	7:00 pm	Prayer Ministry	Zoom
	7:00 pm	AA	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, July 11	6:30 pm	Theatre Group	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Men's AA	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	AA/Recovery & Spirituality	Christy Room/Sanctuary
Wednesday, July 12	10:00 Am	Bible Study	Library/Zoom
	12:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Christy Room
	12:30 pm	Writers Group	Fellowship Hall/Patio
Thursday, July 13	12:00 pm	Al Anon	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Theatre Group	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, July 16	9:30 am	Worship with Holy Communion	Sanctuary & YouTube
	10:30 am	Coffee Hour	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Theatre Group	Fellowship Hall

SCAN TO GIVE



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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:



Lenore Raykovich, Kathy Dahl, daughter of Phyllis Dahl; Marta Brown, daughter of Liz & Mike Brown; Graham Rawle, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; Dick Eklund; Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Cindy Kiester, niece of Carolyn and David Hagford; David Zarling, friend of Kathy and Mark Hering; Sam Pederson, nephew of Jennifer Cook; Beth Addington & Elizabeth Muench, friends of the congregation; Natalie Mozev. daughter of Alan and Mary Poulsen; Bunny & David **Anderson**, sister and brother-in-law of John Bergford; David Cook, brother of Jenny Cook; Kathy Sawyer, niece of Philip Friedlund, Joey Juras & Fitz Loula, friends of the Gruys family; Dona Duff, mother of Mark Duff; Alison Reagon, friend of Mark Duff & Michelle McCreery; Lyle Kuehn, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn.

Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

Loved Ones In The Military

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Rayden Alden 7/10 Bruce Carlson 7/11 Kari Raykovich 7/13 Phil Friedlund 7/9

Nursery in the Christy Room

Parents with little ones are welcome to use the Nursery, as needed. Ushers can help you with directions or simply follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary. The livestream of the service will be playing in the Christy Room for you to view.

Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the Narthex (back of Sanctuary). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.





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Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

