



Sunday, August 30, 2020

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship focus: God's Church is meant for all people.

HYMN 586 – “O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright” (verses 1, 2, 5)
(The “Amen” is sung after the last hymn only.)

**1. O Splendor of God's glory bright,
You daily bring forth light from light.
O Light from Light, light's fountain-spring,
O Day, our days enlightening:**

**2. Come, very Sun of truth and love,
Come in your radiance from above,
And shed the Holy Spirit's ray
On all we think or do today.**

**5. All praise to God the Father be,
All praise to Christ eternally,
Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore.**

Please stand.

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. (spoken)

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. (spoken)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you. (spoken)

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen. (spoken)

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON – Joshua 2:8-21

As Rahab helps the Israelite spies, so God extends his mercy to Rahab and her family as Jericho is faced with destruction.

⁸ Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof⁹ and said to them, “I know that the Lord has given this land to you and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you.”¹⁰ We have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amorites east of the Jordan, whom you completely destroyed.¹¹ When we heard of it, our hearts melted and everyone’s courage failed because of you, for the Lord your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below.¹² Now then, please swear to me by the Lord that you will show kindness to my family, because I have shown kindness to you. Give me a sure sign¹³ that you will spare the lives of my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and that you will save us from death.”¹⁴ “Our lives for your lives!” the men assured her. “If you don’t tell what we are doing, we will treat you kindly and faithfully when the Lord gives us the land.”¹⁵ So she let them down by a rope through the window, for the house she lived in was part of the city wall.¹⁶ Now she had said to them, “Go to the hills so the pursuers will not find you. Hide yourselves there three days until they return, and then go on your way.”¹⁷ The men said to her, “This oath you made us swear will not be binding on us¹⁸ unless, when we enter the land, you have tied this scarlet cord in the window through which you let us down, and unless you have brought your father and mother, your brothers and all your family into your house.¹⁹ If anyone goes outside your house into the street, his blood will be on his own head; we will not be responsible. As for anyone who is in the house with you, his blood will be on our head if a hand is laid on him.”²⁰ But if you tell what we are doing, we will be released from the oath you made us swear.”²¹ “Agreed,” she replied. “Let it be as you say.” So she sent them away and they departed. And she tied the scarlet cord in the window.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 142

P. I cry aloud to the Lord;
I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy.
**C. I pour out my complaint before him;
before him I tell my trouble.**
P. When my spirit grows faint within me,

It is you who know my way.

C. Look to my right and see; no one is concerned for me.

I have no refuge; no one cares for my life.

P. I cry to you, O Lord;

I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living."

C. Listen to my cry, for I am in desperate need;

rescue me from those who pursue me, for they are too strong for me.

P. Set me free from my prison,

that I may praise your name.

C. Then the righteous will gather about me

because of your goodness to me.

ALL: 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.

SECOND LESSON – Romans 11:13-15, 28-32

Paul reminds the Gentiles that it was because the Jews rejected the message of salvation that God's message and mercy has come to them.

¹³ I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry ¹⁴ in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. ¹⁵ For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? ²⁸ As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies on your account; but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs, ²⁹ for God's gifts and his call are irrevocable. ³⁰ Just as you who were at one time disobedient to God have now received mercy as a result of their disobedience, ³¹ so they too have now become disobedient in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of God's mercy to you. ³² For God has bound all men over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all.

THE VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. Alleluia. (Hebrews 4:12)

Please stand.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord! (spoken)

GOSPEL – Matthew 15:21-28

In response to her faith-filled cry, Jesus answers the prayer of a Canaanite woman and heals her daughter.

²¹ Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is suffering terribly from demon-possession.” ²³ Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.” ²⁴ He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.” ²⁵ The woman came and knelt before him. “Lord, help me!” she said. ²⁶ He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to their dogs.” ²⁷ “Yes, Lord,” she said, “but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” ²⁸ Then Jesus answered, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ! (spoken)

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there 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.

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY 521 – “Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace” (verses 1, 2, & 4)

1. Lord of all nations, grant me grace
To love all people, ev'ry race,
And in each person help me view
My kindred, loved, redeemed by you.

2. Break down the wall that would divide
Your children, Lord, on ev'ry side.
My neighbors' good let me pursue;
Bind them to me and all to you.

4. Give me your courage, Lord, to speak
Whenever strong oppress the weak.
And should I be a victim, too,
Help me forgive, rememb'ring you.

SERMON Text: Matthew 15:21-28

Theme: What is great faith?

1. It humbly looks to Jesus to provide.
2. It perseveres in seeking a blessing.

Please stand.

CREATE IN ME



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -

new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from your pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re-store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
 tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it. A - men.

Please remain standing.

OFFERING

Offering plates are near the exits in which you may place your thank-offering.

Installation of Jessica Krueger

Early Service

Promises by the Congregation

P: I now ask you in the presence of God:

Are you willing to receive her as a servant of Christ? Will you show her love and honor, and support her with your gifts and prayer, if so, answer we will, and we ask God to help us.

C: We will, and we ask God to help us.

P: The almighty and merciful God strengthen and assist you always.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

HYMN

577– “Rise, O Light of Gentile Nations” (verses 1 & 3)

**1. Rise, O Light of Gentile nations,
Jesus, bright and Morning Star;
Let your Word, the gladsome tidings,
Ring out loudly near and far,
Bringing freedom to the captives,
Peace and comfort to the slave,
That the heathen, free from bondage,
May proclaim your pow'r to save.**

**3. May our zeal to help the heathen
Be increased from day to day,
As we plead in true compassion
And for their conversion pray.
For the many faithful workers,
For the gospel they proclaim,
Let us all be cheerful givers
To the glory of your name.**

Please stand.

P: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and

comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen (spoken)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give ☩ you peace.

C: Amen (spoken)

HYMN

343 – “Christ Is the World’s Light”

**1. Christ is the world's light,
Christ and none other;
Born in our darkness,
he became our brother.
If we have seen him,
we have seen the Father:
Glory to God on high!**

**2. Christ is the world's peace,
Christ and none other;
No one can serve him
and despise another.
Who else unites us,
one with God the Father?
Glory to God on high!**

**3. Christ is the world's life,
Christ and none other;
Sold once for silver,
murdered here, our brother.
He who redeemed us
reigns with God the Father:
Glory to God on high!**

**4. Give God the glory,
God and none other;**

**Give God the glory,
Spirit, Son, and Father;
Give God the glory,
God with us, my brother:
Glory to God on high!**

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GREETERS today are: Joe & Jean Spaeth – Early Service
Joyce Beach & Loretta Jansen – Late Service
Next Sunday: Tom & Becky Smith – Early Service
Gary & Becky Mitchell – Late Service

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE (week of August 23, 2020)

Total Worship Attendance: 174; Early: 58; Late: 78; Midweek: 38; Adult Bible Study: 23.
On-line worship service views for August 16 were 50.

MONEY COUNTERS for this morning through September 12th are the members of James Heldman’s Undershepherd group. Beginning Sunday, September 13th will be the members of Dennis Marquart’s Undershepherd group.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY (August 30 – September 5)

TODAY Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30; Teacher Jessica Krueger installation, 1st service;
WELS Connection; Adult Bible Study 9:20; **CALL MEETING for 2nd Pastor at 3:00
TODAY.**

TUE Midweek Worship 7:30.

WED Moving day-moving unneeded items from school to storage 7:00.

SUN **Worship 8:00 AM & 10:30;** Communion; Adult Bible Study.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mon Soccer Practice, 6:00-8:00pm. BRING YOUR OWN WATER!

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THE WELS CONNECTION will be shown after each service today.

THE INSTALLATION of our new Pre-school teacher, Jessica Krueger, will take place during the first service today.

CALL MEETING: There will be a Call Meeting at 3:00p.m. **today**, to call a second pastor.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS as required, out of concern for the health and well-being of your neighbor.

WE'RE MOVING! Help is needed on September 2nd, at 7:00pm, to move unneeded items from the school into storage.

TRAFFIC DIRECTOR: TLS is looking for someone to help out with student drop off and pick up during the *first week of school* (September 8 through 11). We have a new traffic pattern that may be confusing to some. Hours would be from 7:55am to 8:20 and 3:10pm to 3:30pm, for 4 days only.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS are available in the basement for pick up. Get yours while they're hot!

COME ONE, COME ALL! The Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a bonfire on Saturday, September 19th, at 7:00pm, in the church stone parking lot. There will be food (S'mores, hotdogs and chips), fun and a movie! Bring your own drinks. And a chair- don't forget a chair! And don't forget to bring a guest! Sign up in the back of church or call church office at 419-326-4402. Join us for some much needed fellowship.

TEEN BIBLE CLASS will begin again on September 13th, between services. We will be meeting in the Bible Study room in the church basement.

MIDWEEK SUMMER WORSHIP continues on Tuesdays, at 7:30 PM. These midweek services are an abbreviated version of the Sunday before. Please make use of this worship opportunity if you are not able to join us on Sunday morning. Council has voted to extend these services through the month of September.

WELCOME BACK! Ladies Aid will begin meeting again on Monday, September 14th at 7:30. All ladies of the church are invited to come. We will be continuing our study on prayer. The meetings will take place in the sanctuary. Please wear your masks as required, out of concern for the health and well-being of your neighbor.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Mornings with Mommy is looking for volunteers to help with the program. We try to have two volunteers at each session. Volunteers will check temperatures at the door, help with registration, and clean and sanitize toys, tables, and supplies. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. We will work out a schedule among the volunteers, and let you know when you are needed. *Volunteers usually help once a month.*

MORNINGS WITH MOMMY: Mornings with Mommy is starting again soon! Our 2020-2021 sessions begin on September 21 & 22. The program is held from 9:30-10:30 on the first and third Mondays of the month with encore sessions on the following Tuesdays. Yes, the program will look different this year, but we will follow the same daily schedule with music, a devotion, flannel stories, books, sensory bins, crafts, and educational toys and activities. Visit the church's website and click on the Mornings with Mommy tab to read more about what to expect this year. You can also pick up a brochure and theme schedule in the church narthex for more information. Registration is required. Register online at tlcjenera.org Space is very limited this year, so please sign up soon! Questions?—Contact Jenny Boehm (262) 391-7994 or mwmtrinity@tlcjenera.org.

MORNINGS WITH MOMMY DONATIONS: Can you help us prepare for another year of Mornings with Mommy by donating money or supplies? Items needed include: 100% juice boxes, play-dough, washable ink pads, glue sticks, glue bottles, glitter glue bottles, glitter glue pens, masking tape, baby wipes, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, tablecloths, preschool rugs, plastic crates, under-bed storage bins, dry-erase markers and erasers, and snacks—animal crackers, teddy grahams, goldfish crackers, Cheez-its, Ritz crackers, graham crackers, raisins. If you wish to give monetary donations, the money will be used to buy supplies and educational toys to match the themes of the program. Please put all donations in the box in the back of church. A supply list can be found in the back of church. Thank you all for your support of this program!

AUGUST WITH JESUS: This week is our second last week of Summer Sunday School. The last two lessons are 12B and 13B. For the week of August 30, the Bible lesson is 12B, The Parable of the Ten Young Women, based on Matthew 25:1-13. The Bible truth is: Jesus taught His disciples to always be ready for His return. The application is: Jesus wants us to be ready for His coming at any time. For the week of September 6, the Bible lesson is 13B, The Joy and Glory of Heaven, based on Revelation 1, 4, 5, 7, 21 and 22. The Bible truth is: Heaven is a perfect place where believers will live with God, praising and serving Him forever. The application is: We look forward to living in Heaven and we live our lives of gratitude now in anticipation of Heaven.

ATTENTION PARENTS! In light of current challenges related to classroom gathering, our church is introducing a new approach to Sunday School. Beginning Sunday, September 13, lessons taught by experienced WELS teachers will be available free via YouTube. The engaging and age appropriate Lesson Videos will tie to printed Student Lessons that our church will provide to you. This new approach presents an easy yet meaningful way for you to encourage your child/children's faith in Christ. To access Lesson Videos, visit **nph.net/ss-at-home**. The videos for Pre-K through Grade 4 are about 12 minutes long. The videos for Grades 5-8 are about 25 minutes long. **Printed Student Lessons for your child/children are available for pick-up in the narthex.** Choose the lesson packet that matches your child/children's grade level. **There are also lesson packets available for three-year old preschoolers in the narthex. There are no online videos that match these lessons; however, you are encouraged to read the lessons together with your three year old and do the suggested activities.** May God bless your child/children as we together continue to share His love.

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WELCOME, MRS. JESSICA KRUEGER!

Jessica Krueger was born and raised in Findlay, Ohio and also lived in Arlington for a few years. She met her husband Stephen at Findlay High School where they participated in orchestra and choir together.

She graduated from Bowling Green State University in 2013 with a bachelor's degree in Music Education. She accepted her first job the summer of 2013 to teach K-12 music at Frontier Local Schools near Marietta, Ohio. Then in June of 2014 Stephen and Jessica were married. They now have a daughter, Sarah Krueger, who just turned one on August 16th.

They are happy to be back near their home town with all their family and friends and Jessica is looking forward to the start of the new school year!

Please welcome Jessica, Stephen and Sarah

