Faith on the Field

St. Luke Lutheran Church - Pastor Eric Hanson Sunday, October 18, 2020 - 9:45AM



Welcome This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Announcements

Opening Song: Open the Eyes of My Heart by Michael W. Smith

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You I want to see You (2x)

To see You high and lifted up

Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart I want to see You I want to see You (2x) To see You high and lifted up Shinin' in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy, holy, holy (3x)

> Holy, holy, holy We cry holy, holy, holy You are holy, holy, holy I want to see you Holy, holy, holy Holy, holy, holy

I want to see you (4x)

Confession and Forgiveness

By the power of the Holy Spirit, we remember and pray.

Heavenly Father, before the world was made, You called us each by name. You put breath in our lungs and chose us to be your own. We are Your beloved children. You watch over us with tender care, and there is nothing that could ever separate us from Your love. God, standing in Your presence now, we ask for Your grace and mercy. Forgive us our sins and help us to forgive the people who have sinned against us. Create in us a clean heart and renew a right spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation. And teach us to love You with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Father God, Grant us petace now and continue Your good work in us to completion. In Jesus name. Amen

Hallelujah! Praise the One who has set us free from sin and death.

Today's Reading - Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." 22When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Children's Sermon

Sermon by Pastor Eric Hanson

Song of the Day: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best Thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine Inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only, first in my heart High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art

High King of Heaven, my victory won May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun Heart of my own heart, whate'er befall Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

Creed

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

Prayers

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need. A brief silence. Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place. Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation, grief, anger, or doubt; especially the Family of Dan Dicke, Ava Dicke, Jim Howard, Brad Roschen, Zach Gravemann, Naomi Berland, Neal Stenlund, Nathlye Benrud, Donald Hadler, Kyle Poncelet, Nancy & Donald Nord, Dean Kirkland, Marlene & Lloyd Roschen, Finley Budensiek, Lauren Brown and Karl Thomforde. Join their voices in a new song, assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those who have died in you. We give thanks for their witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing of Peace

The Meal

We remember...

The 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; & forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; & lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, & the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.

Blessing

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Sending Song: This Little Light of Mine #677 ELW

This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine, This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine; This little light of mine I'm gonna let it shine,

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine; Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine; Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Commission

God is with you. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord **Thanks be to God!**