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Wednesday Evening Service (In-Person & Zoom)

June 10, 2026 – 6:30pm

Prelude

*** Call to Worship**

P: We come here today because God is worthy of our praise and adoration.

C: We worship today because we are grateful for all God has done for us.

P: We come here to sing, pray, confess, listen and give.

C: We come here to share our faith with each other.

P: Let us worship God wholeheartedly expecting nothing in return.

C: Let us rejoice in what God will do in us because God is gracious.

*** Gathering Hymn 579**

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

*** Greeting**

☞ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☞ **And also with you.**

*** The Prayer of the Day**

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: *Matthew 9:35—10:23*

³⁵ Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”

^{10:1} Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ ⁸ Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. ⁹ Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, ¹⁰ no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve their food. ¹¹ Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. ¹² As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³ If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴ If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town.

¹⁶ “I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷ Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸ and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the gentiles. ¹⁹ When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you at that time, ²⁰ for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹ Sibling will betray sibling to death and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²² and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³ When they persecute you in this town, flee to the next, for truly I tell you, you will not have finished going through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.” Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

Homily

Pastor Daniel Swanson

*** Prayers of the People**

*** Words of Institution**

*** 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;

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.

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*** Post-Communion Blessing**

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

*** Blessing**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C: Amen.

*** Sending Hymn ACS 1000**

“God’s Work, Our Hands”



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,
 2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,
 3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,
 4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,
 fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,
 prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,
 seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,
 walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,
 pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,
 Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.
 run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.
 claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.
 gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,
 Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,
 Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,
 Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



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*** Dismissal**

L: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

The June Reach Meal will be prepared next week and served Saturday, June 20, 2026.

This will be a pot luck dinner. We will use up previously prepared food that has been frozen. Helping hands are needed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 to noon. Will you lend a helping hand? Please donate your cookies, cakes, pies, and other wonderful desserts. Bring them in any day next week so we can package them for delivery. Thanks, Gary

We will hold a brief Congregational meeting after service on Sunday, June 28th. The agenda item is to accept the audit findings and close the financial books for 2025.

Our Worship & Music Committee would like to buy copies of our new hymnal – All Creation Sings (Supplement to Evangelical Lutheran Worship) to be available in our pews.

If you are interested in helping to purchase these hymnals, please write on a piece of paper or envelope the number that you are purchasing and how you want the honor/memory to read and enclosed with your check (payable to CLC). The cost is \$15.00 per hymnal. You may put this in the offering plate or bring to the church office. For more information, please see Pastor Daniel or a member of the Worship & Music

Do you need an odd job or two done this summer? Garden cleanup? Drywall repair? Clean out the basement? Take out your recycling or big items? Organize your garage? We have a group of unskilled but ready and willing young people from **Catholic Heart Work Camp coming July 6-9** who would love to help! Please let Shirley know if you have something, with a brief description, as soon as possible so we can create a dispatch plan. They helped with the labyrinth last summer, and did a fabulous job!

As you are doing your Spring cleaning remember our church Yard Sale. We will start setting up July 20 (sales on July 24 & 25) then probably for the next two weeks. **We need stuff!!!! Start gathering.** We do have limited space if you need to bring early. See Shirley.



Please begin collecting containers from your groceries that can be reused to package produce for the Food Pantry. **We are committed to using recycled containers and paper bags for packing our garden vegetables this year.** No more zip bags. There will be a box in the narthex for collection. Thank You!