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Wednesday Evening Service (In-Person & Zoom)

June 17, 2026 – 6:30pm

Prelude

* Call to Worship

P: Come, all you who are weary.

C: We come, eager to find rest from our labors.

P: Come, all you who are weary.

C: We come, eager to find renewal for our spirits.

P: Come, all you who are weary.

C: We come, eager to find strength for tomorrow.

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C: We come, eager to find your presence, your power and your peace.

* Gathering Hymn 710

“Let Streams of Living Justice”

* 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

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Reading: *Jeremiah 20:7-13*

⁷ O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughing stock all day long;
everyone mocks me.

⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out;
I must shout, “Violence and destruction!”
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him
or speak any more in his name,"
then within me there is something like a burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.

¹⁰ For I hear many whispering:
"Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him
and take our revenge on him."

¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior;
therefore my persecutors will stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.

¹² O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous;
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

¹³ Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy
from the hands of evildoers.

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

* **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 798**

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

* **Dismissal**

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

C: **Thanks be to God.**

The June Reach Meal will be prepared this week and served this Saturday, June 20 from 2-4pm.

This will be a pot luck dinner. We will use up previously prepared food that has been frozen. Helping hands are needed Thursday and Friday from 9:00 to noon and Saturday 9-closing. 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 this 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.

