Sunday, August 18 2024 · 10:30 AM · Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost



Apparently not satisfied by Jesus' feeding of thousands, some who were there press him for a sign of his power; perhaps it is daily manna they want. As always in John's gospel when people want a sign, Jesus offers himself. He is the bread come from heaven to give life to the world. He calls us to come to him and believe in him, and through that relationship to know the one who sent him.

PRELUDE
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
INVOCATION
GATHERING SONG

Yes He Can

Sometimes I wonder, is He faithful? Does He see me in my trouble? Does He understand? Sometimes I question if He's able. Can he rescue, can He save me again and again? But when I look back. . .

Chorus: Did He move every mountain, did He part every sea?

Yes, He did so yes, He can. Did He defeat the darkness, did He deliver me?

Yes, He did so yes, He can. Yes, He did so yes, He can.

Cause sometimes those voices try to tell me I'm forgotten and I've fallen too far from His hands. But I know what kind of God He is, And I'm trusting in His promises I'm believing and I'm singing, Yes, He can, *Chorus*

'Cause I've seen too much now I can't deny. He's come through ev'ry single time. From the beginning until the end, He did, He will, He can.

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CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P/C: Merciful God, have mercy on us according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out our offenses. Release us from the guilt and shame we carry, and renew a right spirit within us. Teach us your ways, and uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

MUSICAL MESSAGE It Is Well with My Soul - arr. Gary Lanier Peggy Hammerling & Rich Johnson

PRAYER OF THE DAY

C: Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 18:27-33

R: For you deliver a humble people, but the haughty eyes you bring down.

C: It is you who light my lamp; the LORD, my God, lights up my darkness.

R: By you I can outrun a troop, and by my God I can leap over a wall.

C: This God—his way is perfect; the promise of the LORD proves true; he is a shield for all who take refuge in him.

R: For who is God except the LORD? And who is a rock besides our God?

C: The God who has girded me with strength and made my way safe.

R: He made my feet like the feet of a deer and set me secure on the heights

READING Ephesians 5:8-9

⁸ for once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹ for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

R: The word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL John 6:51-58

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th chapter **C: Glory to you, O Lord.**⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." ⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day, ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁶ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which the ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Pr. Joe Skomo

SONG THE DAY Your Words

Let me hear Your words, above all other voices Above all the distractions in this world (2 times)

For Your words bring life, And Your voice speaks promises Lord Your love offers more, Than anything else in this world

Chorus: Your words give us life that's never ending, Your words bring us love that never fails. Everything else will fade away, But what will remain, are Your words.

That I speak Your words, more than ours more than ever. Let us share Your love with all the world **Chorus**

The grass will wither and the flowers will fall But the word of our God will last forever The grass will wither and the flowers will fall But the word of our God will last forever **Chorus 2 times**

STATEMENT OF FAITH Apostle's Creed

C: 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 OF THE PEOPLE

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

NOISY OFFERING

Cornerstone Community and Youth Center

Their mission is to develop a healthier community by providing healthy food, mentoring, arts, culture, and skill building in a safe and caring environment in Frazee.

July Noisy Offering Total: \$520.15, raised for Lutheran Disaster Response

OFFERING & OFFERTORY PRAYER

P/C: Loving God, receive this offering for the building up of your kingdom: the proclamation of your word and the loving of our neighbor. Amen.

COMMUNION

Words of Institution

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.

Distribution

Post Communion Blessing

Post Communion Prayer

C: Gracious God, at this table you have nourished our body and soul with food and drink. As you have been food and drink for us, transform us to be food and drink for one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG

God So Loved

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty. Come to the well that never runs dry. Drink of the water, come and thirst no more.

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy. Come to the table; He will satisfy. Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for.

Chorus: For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us. Whoever believes in Him will live forever.

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting there with open arms. *Chorus*

Chorus 2: The power of hell forever defeated. Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom, For God so loved, God so loved the world.

Praise God, praise God, from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, praise Him, for the wonders of His love. Praise God, praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, praise Him, for the wonders of His love. His amazing love.

For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save. **Chorus Chorus 2**

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions. Come lay them down at the foot of the cross. Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world.

SENDING

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TAI JI QUAN: A new 12—week session is starting on Sept 17. The class will meet every Tuesday & Thursday at 1pm. Tai Ji Quan helps with strengthening and improving balance. It also helps to relieve arthritic pain and back issues. Please sign up at the volunteer table.

RALLY SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY. Join us on Sunday, September 8 & Wednesday, September 11 as we kick off the new ministry year with blessing of the back packs and the FLC Ice Cream Sunday Bar!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN: Sign up today for Sun/Wed School, Confirmation/Pre-Confirmation and Youth Group. If you have questions or need more information, contact Olivia or call the church office.

THE FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH FOUNDATION of Detroit Lakes serves the mission of the church through financial giving exclusively for charitable, religious, literary, or educational purposes. Our April and July quarterly meetings included funding for: *Scholarship award recipients: Reece Borgmann, Sydney Borgmann, Morgan Hausten, Mason Omberg, Haley Stattelman, Ben Sundby; Minnesota Flyers Gymnastics, Fly Time program; TeacHaiti lunch program; First Lutheran Church Agape Fund; Pathways Bible camps for training.* To make an eligible funding request, please visit the FLC Foundation page at: firstlutheranchurch.com. Interested in a donation to the fund? Make your check to "FLC Foundation" and deliver to the church office.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF-SCHOOL KIT DRIVE: August is the time to shop for School Kit supplies! We are especially asking for **70 page spiral notebooks**. Each kit calls for 4 books & our *goal is to complete at least 75 kits.* We need your help!Cash donations of any amount are welcome, checks payable to FLCW. Donations box is by the office!

DREAM BIG DESIGN COMMITTIEE INVITATION: The Vision Council is excited to start work on a Master Planning Process this fall. This process requires a 5-8 member Master Planning Committee tasked with developing a Master Planning Proposal that will be presented to our church. The process includes utilizing both existing feedback and seeking additional feedback to create a vision for one or more updated spaces. The committee would meet 4-6 times over a three-month period. If interested in joining this committee, contact Carla Solem @ 701-306-1944 or cmsolem@gmail.com.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED: If you are interested in helping with the Sunday service check out the Volunteer Table for current volunteer needs and sign up sheets.

MARILYN WEILER'S FUNERAL will be on August 19, at 2:00 pm.

Prayers for God's People

Brent Blake, Joe Morrison, Bill Wegschied, Dave Nustad, Cole Woltjer, Pam Nustad, Elyda Handegard, Ann Newgard-Larson, Greg, Torey Neisen, Joyce Gilbertson, Rex, LeAnn Henson, Baby Nora, Deni & Jacob, Tina Moe, Jake Netland

Prayers of comfort for the family of: Jim Elletson, Marilyn Weiler & Michelle Gaard.

Names are kept on the prayer list for 3 weeks; please update the office if you wish to remain on the list longer.





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