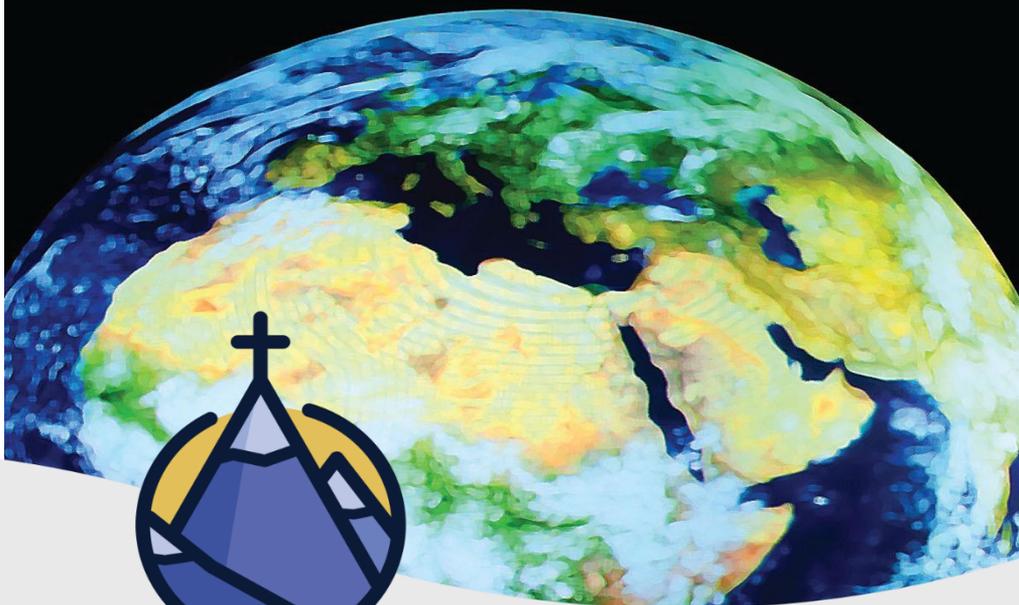


August 21, 2022



THEREFORE GO AND MAKE
DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS,
BAPTIZING THEM IN THE
NAME OF THE FATHER
AND OF THE SON AND
OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

MATTHEW 28:19, NIV



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Missions Sunday

Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *O Almighty God, use us to witness our faith in Your Son Jesus Christ. Accomplish this great work with our family, friends, and close neighbors, then, as you have commanded, to all the world. Keep Jesus Christ and Him crucified the center of every message we bring, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. In His saving name. Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Opening Hymn 496 (TLH): *Hark! the Voice of Jesus Crying*

**1. Hark! the voice of Jesus crying, "Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting, Who will bear the sheave away?"
Loud and long the Master calleth, Rich reward He offers thee;
Who will answer, gladly saying, "Here am I, send me, send me"?"**

**2. If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all.
If you cannot rouse the wicked With the Judgment's dread alarms,
You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.**

**3. If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion's wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven, Offering life and peace to all,
With your prayers and with your bounties You can do what God demands;
You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet's hands.**

**4. Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"
While the souls of men are dying And the Master calls for you.
Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"**

The Invocation *We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

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

C Amen!

The Confession and Absolution of Sins

We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.

P Beloved of God: 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 forgiveness:

C Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

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.

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie – Latin for “O Lord.” We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.

Lord, have mer-cy on us. Christ, have mer-cy
on us. Lord, have mer-cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis – Latin for “Glory in the Highest (to God).” A hymn glorifying and praising our God.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to all peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heav-enly king, al-might-y God and
Fa-ther: We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we
praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus
Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the
Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the
Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the
Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the
glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 6:1-8*

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. ² Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" ⁴ And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had

taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for." ⁸ And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

devote yourself to the
public reading of Scripture,
to preaching and to teaching.

1 Timothy 4:13

The Responsive Reading: *Psalm 67*

- P** May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,
- C** That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.
- P** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
- C** Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*
- P** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!
- C** The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.
- P** God shall bless us;
- C** Let all the ends of the earth fear him!

The Epistle Reading: *1 Timothy 1:12-17*

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, ¹³ though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, ¹⁴ and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

- P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia! These words are
 writ - ten that we may believe that Je-sus is the Christ, the
 Son of God. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu-ia! Al-le-lu - ia!

The Apostle's Creed *We boldly confess what we believe.*

- C** 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.

Hymn 507 (TLH): *Spread, Oh, Spread, Thou Mighty Word*

1. *Spread, oh, spread, thou mighty Word, Spread the kingdom of the Lord, Wheresoe'er His breath has giv'n Life to beings meant for heav'n.*
2. *Tell them how the Father's will Made the world and keeps it still, How His only Son He gave Man from sin and death to save.*
3. *Tell of our Redeemer's love, Who forever doth remove By His holy sacrifice All the guilt that on us lies.*
4. *Tell them of the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us up to heav'n, Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.*
5. *Up! The ripening fields ye see. Mighty shall the harvest be; But the reapers still are few, Great the work they have to do.*
6. *Lord of Harvest, let there be Joy and strength to work for Thee Till the nations far and near See Thy light and learn Thy fear.*

The Sermon: *Luke 15:1-7*

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Theme: SINGLED OUT BY GRACE

I. For your salvation II. For your neighbor's salvation

The Offertory

Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

Hymn 778 (WS2000): *Grace Has a Thrilling Sound*

**1. Grace has a thrilling sound To each believer's ear;
That peace with God through Christ is found Is news I gladly hear.
Grace first described the way To save our fallen race;
The Father sent His only Son Who came to take our place.**

**2. Grace first inscribed my name In God's eternal book,
And grace has brought me to the Lamb, Who all my sorrows took.
Grace led my wand'ring feet To tread the heav'nly road,
and grace supplies each hour I meet While pressing on to God.**

**3. Grace taught my soul to pray, And made my eye o'er-flow;
His grace has kept me to this day And will not let me go.
Grace all our work shall crown, Through everlasting days;
The heav'nly home God give His own Shall echo with our praise.**

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's Scastag is "Scilmztion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse

**(788:1): Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.**

Prayer of the Church – 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.

The Benediction

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)

☩ The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

☩ Amen!

Closing Hymn 505:1,3 (TLH): O'er the Gloomy Hills of Darkness

**1. O'er the gloomy hills of darkness, Cheered by no celestial ray,
Sun of Righteousness, arising, Bring the bright, the glorious day.
Let the morning Of Thy blessed Gospel dawn.**

**3. Fly abroad, eternal Gospel; Win and conquer, never cease.
May Thy lasting, wide dominions Multiply and still increase!
May Thy scepter Sway th'enlightened world around!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If the LORD wills, we will do this or that. James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. Ask Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain our beliefs and teachings. Where & when? Your convenience.

MISSION HELPER PRESENTATION AND POTLUCK: Today following the worship service we'll be having a potluck downstairs. Afterward Andrea D'Onofrio will be giving a slideshow presentation about her experience on the recent CLC Mission Helper Trip to Zambia. All are welcome!

A CLEVELAND AREA WORSHIP SERVICE is scheduled for next Sunday, August 28, at 4pm at the Hughes' home. Talk to Pastor for more details.

BIBLE CLASS AND SUNDAY SCHOOL will resume Sunday, September 11 at 9am. In Bible Class we'll be taking up a study of the Gospel of John.

CLC SOUTHEASTERN WOMEN'S RETREAT: The women of the Southeastern Conference of the CLC will be hosting a women's retreat at Myrtle Beach, SC October 7-9, 2022. Any CLC women who would like to join us (as well as any friends you would like to bring) can obtain a registration form from their pastor or can find it on the "CLC Southeastern Women's Retreat Information" Facebook page. The registration deadline is September 1, 2022.

MAN UP! RETREAT: The 2022 ManUp! Men's Retreat will be held September 22-25, 2022, at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI. The retreat will offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend will include Bible study, fellowship, leadership training, team building, relationship building, worship, and many outdoor bonding activities. Register and send in your payment by August 31st for the discounted rate of \$75. Registration increases to \$150 on September 1st. The registration includes lodging and meals. You can register by going to the Man Up! website here: www.manup.clclutheran.org.

CLC CALL NEWS: Pastor James Albrecht of St. John's, Okabena, MN, *has received* the call to Immanuel, Winter Haven, FL. + Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel, Mankato, MN, *is still considering* the call to Redemption, Lynnwood, WA

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL **Offering numbers are from 8/14/22*

Worship Attendance Last Sunday = 19

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$3307.69	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$52,923.08
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$3712.00	Total Offerings Received YTD:	\$48,708.90
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			\$4890.89
Maisie Wittorp Christian Education Memorial Fund:			\$62,891.50

SERVING US THIS WEEK

August Usher: Randy Wittorp Church Cleaning: Fobears

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION

Sun. 8/28	10am	Worship Service
	4pm	Cleveland Area Worship Service
Sun. 9/11	9am	Bible Class and Sunday School Resume
Tue. 9/13	7-9pm	Elders/Council/Bd of Ed/ Outreach Meetings