

9:00 WORSHIP
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 24, 2017

Prelude

Call to Worship

“How Could You Love Me So Much?”

Announcements

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

Opening Hymn

“This Is the Day/Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Insert

Psalm 23

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

C: And also with you.

P: The Lord is my shepherd;

C: I shall not be in want

P: He makes me lie down in green pastures

C: and leads me beside still waters.

P: He revives my soul

C: and guides me along right pathways for his name’s sake.

P: Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil;

C: for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

P: You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

C: you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

P: Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

C: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Prayer of the Day *“Lord God, gracious Father, equip your people to withstand the wiles of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.” Amen.*

Song of Response

“You Are My All in All”

Insert

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

“Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear. For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again. Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Verse

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

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Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and to them he said, ‘You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.’ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You go into the vineyard too.’ And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.’ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?’ So the last will be first, and the first last.”

Children's Sermon Kay Groethe

Sermon
Sermon Hymn/Offering *"Seek Ye First"* Insert

Offertory *"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"* LBW 564

Apostle's Creed
Prayers of the Church
Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Closing Hymn *"How Great Thou Art"* LBW 532

P: Grow in Faith
C: **Impact the World**

Pianist Vicki Strege
Lector Ardell Nelson

Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Roger and Tammy Christensen in honor of their 1st Anniversary.

Flowers on the altar are given in honor of Richard and Sandra Hansen's 57th Wedding Anniversary.

Prayers for Evelyn Dittes, Dick Forster, and Pastor Jean Marc

Pastor Kent has challenged the congregation to read the Bible books John thru Jude before January 1st. If you would like to take the challenge sign up sheet is on the table in the fellowship hall.

There will be an organizational meeting for those interested in making Chrismons on Tuesday, September 26th at 2 PM.

Visitors please sign our guest book located in the fellowship hall. Thank you for worshipping with us at Living Word Lutheran Church. We hope your worship experience is a blessing.
"May the Lord bless you and keep you." Numbers 6:24

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TODAY	8:45	Sunday School
	8:45	Adult Education - Pastor Kent - "A Closer Look at Islam"
	9:00	Coffee Fellowship
	10:00	Worship
MONDAY	5:30	CBS Leaders
	7:00	Community Bible Study
TUESDAY	9:00	Quilting
	2:00	Organizational meeting to make Chrismons
	7:00 - 8:30	Sr. High Youth Group
WEDNESDAY	9:00	Searcher's Bible study
	3:30 - 5:30	Confirmation/Jr. High Youth Group
	6:30	Choir
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	10:00	Worship/Communion

The Mission Project for our Living Word Women's organization in September is **Non Food** Items for the Grant County Food Pantry. Some examples would be personal care items, paper products, soaps, etc. Anyone who wishes to contribute may drop off items at the church or take them to the Court House.

Sign up sheets for Flowers on the altar and/or sponsor the Radio Broadcast are on the table in the fellowship hall. Prayerfully consider sponsoring a **Radio Broadcast** of our church service on KMSD. The service is broadcast on KMSD at 8:00 AM on Sunday mornings. The cost for Radio Broadcast is \$65.

November Servant Team will meet on **Sunday, October 15th** during Coffee Fellowship at 10:00. **Servant teams help with ushering, greeting, furnish and/or serve treats for coffee fellowship, help with weddings if scheduled during the month and help and/or furnish for funerals that maybe during the month. If every member, who is able, volunteers for at least one area of service during their month, the work of the church will easily be accomplished throughout the year. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please prayerfully consider being co-chairman for your Servant team.**

“When a person trusts Jesus Christ for salvation, he or she is made a member of the body of Christ” ([1 Corinthians 12:27](#))

Co-chairman:

Bob and Sue Capp
Collis and Brenda Dahle
Roger and Steph Hansen
Jack and Susan Hippen
Gary and Janeen Ingber
Pat Johnson
Ed and Betty Kloster
Bruce and Linda Larson
Chuck and Ann Liebe

Mark and Darla Loeschke
Gary and Marsha Meister
Bob and Pam Nelson
Sue Pauli
Dennis and Joanne Schmig
Steve and Vicki Strege
Dave and Linda Wagner

Living Word Lutheran Church shut ins would welcome a visit or phone call.

St. William’s Care Center: Ruth Modin, Lois Helm - 204,

Phyllis Murphy - 223

Golden Living Care Center: Marvel Black, Evy Berg - 106, Clarice Durbin - 310

Park Place: Frank Brown - 206, Pat Johnson—307, Curt & Elaine Hallberg - 310, Marlene Storm, Chris Nelson, Janice Johnson - 313, and Luvilla Weber – 324, Ruth Malkerson - 317

Clara Pederson – 520 Friendship Circle #A3

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“This Is the Day/Rejoice In the Lord Always”

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made,
that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice,
we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord hath made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

Rejoice in the Lord always,
and again I say, rejoice!
Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, rejoice!
Rejoice! Rejoice!
And again I say rejoice!
Rejoice! Rejoice!
And again I say rejoice!

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made,
that the Lord hath made, we will rejoice,
we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord hath made,
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

“You Are My All in All”

You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the Treasure that I seek.
You are my All in All.

Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool.
You are my All in All!

Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name.
Taking my sin, my cross my shame, rising again I bless Your name.

You are my All in All.
When I fall down, You pick me up; When I am dry, You fill my cup.
You are my All in All!

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Sermon Series: “Christian Atheists”
(from Craig Groeschel’s book, Zonderzan)

September & October, 2017

October 1:

Title: When you believe in God but aren’t sure he loves you. (chapter 3)

October 8:

Title: When You Believe in God but Not in Prayer. (chapter 4)

October 15:

Title: When You Believe in God But Do Not Think He is Fair. (chapter 5)

October 22:

Title: When You Believe in God But Still Worry All the Time. (chapter 8)

October 29:

Title: When You Believe in God but Don’t Really Know Him. (chapter 1)

November 5:

Title: When You Believe in God But Pursue Happiness at All Costs.
(chapter 9)

November 12:

Title: When You Believe in God But Do Not Share Your Faith. (chapter 11)

November 19:

Title: When You Believe in God But Not in His Church. (chapter 12)

*“They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him.
They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything
good.” Titus 1:16*

“Christian Atheists” books available on the table in fellowship hall. Cost of the book is \$12.

“Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God”

Verse 1

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Verse 2

Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Verse 3

We do not live by bread alone,
But by ev'ry word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.

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