

LIVING WORD LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Growing Family of Faith August 22, 2021 13th Sunday after Pentecost

PASTOR BRANDON SCROGGINS

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (please rise as you are able)

P: We are called together to worship today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *C: Amen!*

P: Let us worship the eternal God, C: Who is ever faithful, in whom we can trust,

P: Let us worship Jesus Christ.

C. Who takes our burdens from us and lives among us.

P. Let us worship the Holy Spirit,

C. The Living Presence, who teaches us to be trustworthy.

P. To the one true God be praise in all times and places through the grace of Jesus Christ.

ALL: Together, let us worship God! AMEN.

GATHERING SONG "Glorious Day"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

P. Let us pray, Most merciful God,

C. We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Congregational response: AMEN

(Please be seated)

WORSHIP SONG "Seek Ye First"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FIRST LESSON

R. The first lesson is from the book of Isiah 29: 11-19:

¹¹ And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." ¹² And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read." ¹³ And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a

commandment taught by men, ¹⁴ therefore, behold, I will again do wonderful things with this people, with wonder upon wonder; and the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the discernment of their discerning men shall be hidden." ¹⁵ Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" ¹⁶ You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me"; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"? ¹⁷ Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? ¹⁸ In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. ¹⁹ The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

R. This is the word of the Lord *C. Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSIVE PSALM R. The responsive Psalm is Psalm 14:

- R. ¹ The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is none who does good.
- C. ² The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.
- R. ³ They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does good, not even one.
- C. ⁴ Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the LORD?
- R. ⁵There they are in great terror, for God is with the generation of the righteous.
- C. ⁶ You would shame the plans of the poor, but the LORD is his refuge.
- R ⁷Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion! When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people, let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.
- R. Here ends the reading of the Psalm. Please rise as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

GOSPEL LESSON (Please rise as you are able)

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark 7: 1-13:

C. Glory to you, O Lord

¹Now when the Pharisees gathered to him, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem, ² they saw that some of his disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. ³ (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders, ⁴ and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.) ⁵ And the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶ And he said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, "'This people honors me with their lips,

but their heart is far from me; ⁷ in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' ⁸ You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men." ⁹ And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! ¹⁰ For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' ¹¹ But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban"' (that is, given to God)— ¹² then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, ¹³ thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

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

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON SONG "Come To the Water"

MESSAGE Pastor Brandon Scroggins

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 life everlasting. Amen.

SHARE THE PEACE

P. May the peace of the Lord be with you always. C. And also with you.

(Please be seated for offering collection)

OFFERING

"DOXOLOGY" (please rise as you are able)

OFFERING PRAYER

P. Let us pray, *C. We give You thanks for this day, a day of promise, a day of hope. You have made us and filled us with all good things. With joy, enthusiasm, and trust O God, we offer You all that we have. Take everything into Your hands for service in Your name. AMEN*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Please remain standing as you are able)

Following general prayers, you are encouraged to share other prayer concerns out loud. Please close your prayer concern with "Lord in your mercy".

HOLY COMMUNION

- P. The Lord be with you. C. And also with you.
- P. Lift up your hearts. C. We lift them to the Lord.
- P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P. It is indeed right and salutary......we praise your name and join their unending

proclamation: C. (singing) Holy, holy, holy,

My heart, my heart adores You! My heart is glad to say, the words: You are holy, Lord!

Consecration of Elements, Lord's Prayer

(Please be seated during distribution of communion)

We practice open Communion here at Living Word. If you believe and are baptized, we invite you to participate. Communion wine is WHITE, juice is RED. Please bring young children to receive a blessing.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" (please rise as you are able)

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG "Confidence"

P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord. C. Thanks be to God!

Join us for fellowship after worship!

God Bless You! Invite a friend or relative to worship with us!



Today's worship helpers: Reader: Donna Ferguson

Communion Assistant: Donna Ferguson Fellowship treats: Donna Pederson

8/29 worship helpers: Readers: Kathy Scroggins, Adalyn Scroggins

Communion Assist: Alice Jensen

Fellowship treats: 5^{TH} SUNDAY POTLUCK

FOLLOWING WORSHIP!



- August 25- Men's Fellowship and Bible Study 9 AM @ church
- August 29-Potluck following worship! 5th Sunday Potluck Returns!
- Sept. 6-Council meeting 5:30 @ church (Due to Pr. Brandon's schedule, Council meetings will now be held on the first TUESDAY of each month, 5:30 at church.)
- Sept.15-Congregational Meeting following worship

Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

1-One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men my example is He
The Word became flesh
And the light shined among us
His glory revealed

Chorus Living He loved me
dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
O glorious day (glorious day)
by they led Him up Calv'ry's mounta

2-One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish despised and rejected
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He
The hand that healed nations
Stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me
Chorus

3-One day the grave could conceal Him no longer One day the stone rolled away from the door Then He arose over death He had conquered Now is ascended my Lord evermore Death could not hold Him The grave could not keep Him From rising again

4-One day the trumpet will sound for His coming One day the skies with His glories will shine Wonderful day my beloved one bringing My Savior Jesus is mine

O glorious day glorious day O glorious day

Chorus

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Seek Ye First

(Musical introduction
1-Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu, alleluia

2-Man shall not live by bread alone But by ev'ry word that proceeds From the mouth of God Allelu, alleluia 3-Ask and it shall be given unto you Seek and ye shall find Knock and the door shall be opened unto you Allelu, alleluia

4-Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness And all these things shall be added unto you Allelu, alleluia

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Come to the Water

O let all who thirst, Let them come to the water. And let all who have nothing, Let them come to the Lord. Without money, without price Why should you pay the price? Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
Let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
Let them come to the Lord.
Without money, without strife
Why should you spend your life?
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, Let them come to the water. And let all who are weary, Let them come to the Lord. All who labor, without rest. How can your soul find rest? Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
Let them come to the water.
Bring the ones who are laden,
Bring them all to the Lord.
Bring the children without might
Easy the load and light
Come to the Lord (x4)

I will run to you I will run to you I will run to you. my Lord.

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Confidence

I'm not a warrior, I'm too afraid to lose
I feel unqualified for what You're calling me to
But Lord with Your strength, I've got no excuse
'Cause broken people are exactly who You use
Chorus (So) Give me faith like Daniel

Give me hope like Moses in the wilderness Give me a heart like David, Lord be my defense So I can face my giants with confidence

in the lion's den

You took a shepherd boy, And made him a King So I'm gonna trust You and give You everything I'll be a conqueror, 'Cause You fight for me I'll be a champion claiming Your victory

Chorus
I'm gonna sing and shout and shake the walls
I won't stop until I see 'em fall
Gonna stand up, step out when You call
Jesus (Jesus) (sing x 2)

Chorus x 2
I'll face my giants with confidence

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