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Experiencing Christ's Love

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Welcome and Greeting

Please Stand

LWML PLEDGE



In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us.

We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.

Opening Litany

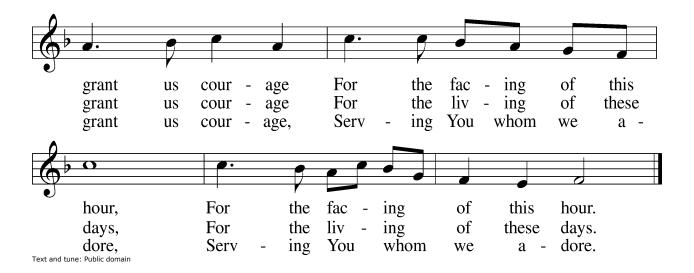
Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made!

Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

P: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen!





Confession and Absolution

Confession of Sins

P God's Word is true: God loves us deeply and in Christ, claims us as His own! Dear friends, we are children of God, but what we will be through His work in our lives is not yet complete. We still struggle to live a godly life. However, He promises that when we confess our failures, He forgives us, cleanses us and makes us pure. With that wonderful promise in mind, we reflect on our need for His mercy once more.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Prayer of Confession

- **P** Father of mercies and God of all comfort and peace:
- We know that we have failed to live as Your children. We are broken and confess that we are stuck in our sinful ways. We have not loved You with our whole heart and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ we humbly pray for Your forgiveness. Set us free from the love of ungodly things and help us to grow more fully into who You created us to be in Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Faith

- P Sisters and brothers we have great news! Almighty God has heard our prayer and has had mercy on us! Jesus Christ took our punishment when he died and for His sake, God forgives us all our sins! In His resurrection, Jesus secured our salvation! It is by His authority that I have the privilege to declare His forgiveness to you, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!

This Is the Feast

LSB 171





Prayer of the Day

Please be seated

Hebrews 3:12-19

Take care, brothers and sisters, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

"Today, if you hear his voice,

do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please Stand

Mark 10:17-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

As Jesus was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother." And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in

heaven; and come, follow me." Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

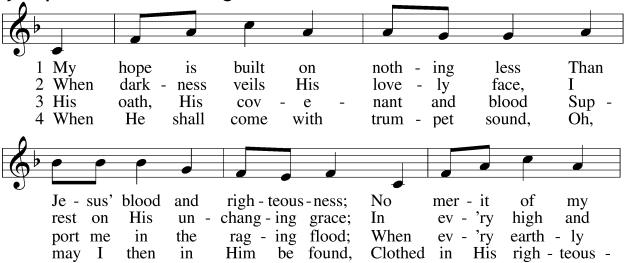
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

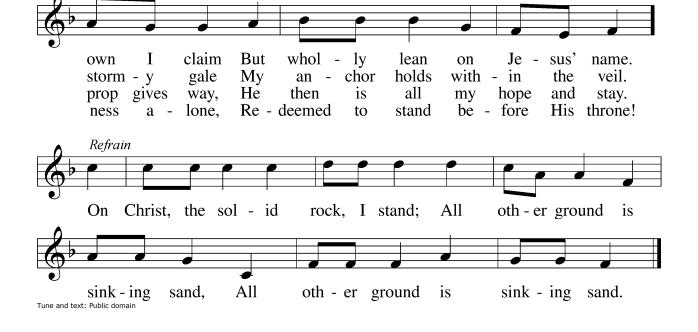
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the 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.

Please be seated





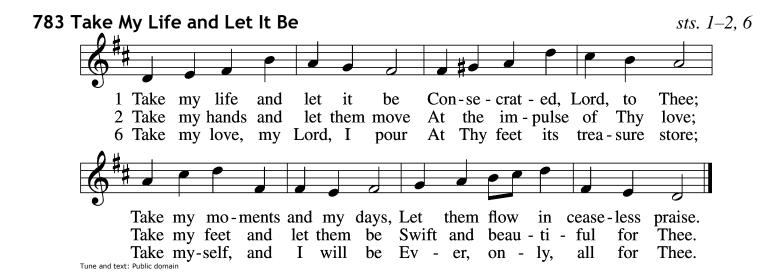


SERMON:

THE "ONE THING"

MARK 10:17-22

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Prayer of the Congregation

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

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.

Words of the Institution

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

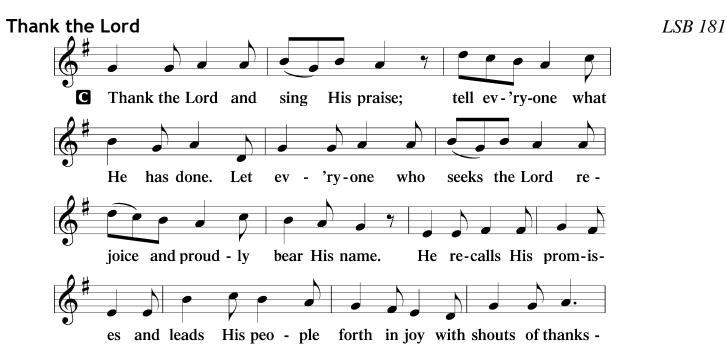
Please be seated

Continuous Distribution by Pastor

(Family units come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats. Please wait to eat and drink until instructed.)

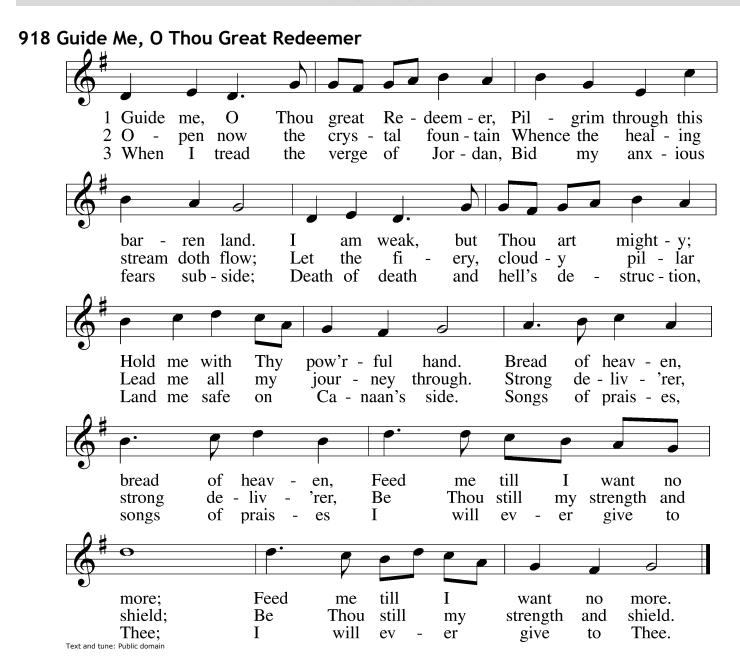
All Receive the Sacrament together

(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and then the cup.) (Please Stand)





Benediction



The Dismissal

- **P** Go in Peace, serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God!

Please be seated and wait for the ushers to dismiss you.



Above all, keep loving one another earnestly (1 Peter 4:8).

Our Hearts in HIS Hand

The first Sunday in October is traditionally set aside for the observation of LWML Sunday, but it may be celebrated at any time.

"Our Hearts in His Hand" is the theme for LWML Sunday 2021 and is based on Peter's first letter to persecuted Christians in Asia Minor. In chapter 4:8, Peter tells them, *Above all, keep loving one another earnestly*. The heart of the LWML is its members; our hearts have been made holy by God. We are fully dedicated to serving Him, by serving His Church at home and abroad. Our hearts for Christ are in His hand of service, wherever and when He has need of us.

For any information about the Lutheran Women Missionary League, go to https://www.lwml.org/home



ou can minister to the people of the world through Mite Box mission offerings.

When you give you don't just make a donation — You make a difference! Your offerings and prayers bring the love and hope of Jesus to those in need in our neighborhoods and around the world.



Fund worldwide missions!

Get your own Mite Box today from your local LWML group or call the LWML Office.

An LWML Prayer Mission Grant Prayer

Dear Lord, we are blessed to be called Your children. Thank You for supplying our every need. Thank You for sending Your Son to be our Savior. Help us to share Your truth and Your love with our friends and neighbors. Help us to be blessings to others. May our mite offerings be used to bring Christ to the nations and to help those in need, especially those in need of Your saving grace. To You be the glory! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

By God's grace together we accomplish:

- Christian outreach and human care projects in more than 71 countries on five continents
- More than \$127 million raised for missions
- Bible studies, devotions, and other faith building resources
- Leadership training with confidence-expanding opportunities
- Friendships nurtured and lives changed by sharing the love of Jesus Christ

Get Involved, Stay Connected, Be Supported!

Here are some of the LWML resources, products, and connections to help:

Devotions and Podcasts

Mustard Seed Devotions – emailed daily to your inbox or ordered by the package in print version. Printed Mustard Seed Devotions are great as witness tools: leave one with a gratuity, or slip one into a note or card.

Devotions – Free downloadable, emailed, online or print versions

Podcasts – enjoy listening to doctrinally sound podcasts

Bible Studies

Select from hundreds of studies available. Free downloadable, online, or print versions

Servant Activities

Monthly suggestions for opportunities to touch others with hands-on projects

Lutheran Woman's Quarterly & eQuarterly

Inspirational feature articles, relevant Bible studies, and newsy updates from the mission field are available in each issue. Find subscription rate on LWML website

Gifts through the LWML Store

LWML products, jewelry, clothing, resources and more

DID YOU KNOW...?

75% of the mite money is used to fund the CNH District grants (2020-2022 \$124,000) and 25% to fund National grants (2021-2023 \$2,150,000).

Yes, that's correct - Two million dollars just from mites and special offerings! Amazing, isn't it? Mites already received for National is: \$551,189.98!



Mission Statement:

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

Since 1942, LWML has supported worldwide missions through mite offerings.

Join us in this ongoing support: *lwml.org/mission-grants*



- **1.** Deaconess Ministry Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, \$81,680
- 2. Healing the Invisible Wounds of War through Horses Spirit Warrior, Central Maine, \$95,000
- **3.** Thirst to Learn: Bible Books for Africa's Children Lutheran Heritage Foundation, \$100,000
- Making the Next Generation of Disciples for Life LCMS Life Ministry, \$92,000
- 5. Helping Hands for Lutheran Deaf Outreach Lutheran Deaf Outreach, \$50,000
- **6.** Hope of Christ for Cancer Patients Phil's Friends, \$70,000
- 7. Training Pastors to Serve the Church in Russia Lutheran Theological Seminary, Novosibirsk, Siberia, \$100,000
- 8. Light of Christ in Eastern Europe Mission Central, \$56,000
- **9.** Propelling the Gospel LAMP Ministry, Inc., \$65,000
- **10.** Educating Pastors in Africa Mission Central, \$100,000
- **11.** Redeeming Life Maternity Home, Illinois Expansion Redeeming Life Outreach Ministries, \$100,000
- **12.** Mercy Medical Care for Tanzania Mwadui Lutheran School and Community, \$68,182
- Gospel Outreach to Women and Children in Mongolia Lutheran Hour Ministries, \$100,000
- Caring for and Sharing Christ with Hurting People Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, \$100,000
- **15.** The Littlest and Least of These, Dallas, Texas St. Paul Lutheran Church and Christian Academy, \$42,000

- **16.** Bring the Inner-City Children to Camp Lutheran Valley Retreat, Colorado, \$25,000
- **17.** Spiritual and Physical Food for Children of Peru La Mision Luterana del Peru, \$56,750
- **18.** "Ends of Earth" Scholarships Mission Opportunities Short Term (MOST) Ministries, \$50,000
- **19.** Sharing Jesus' Love in India Lutheran Braille Workers, \$100,000
- **20.** Mission & Outreach to the Least of These Victory Lutheran Church, K. I. Sawyer Community, \$51,356
- **21.** Mercy House Belize Lutheran Campus Belize Mission Society, \$100,000
- **22.** Ministry Vehicle Fund, Ethiopia and Sierra Leone Lutheran Bible Translators, \$70,000
- 23. Showing God's Love in the International District, Albuquerque, New Mexico God Cares About You Mission, \$98,000
- **24.** Reaching the Homebound with God's Word Lutheran Ministries Media, Inc. (DBA Worship Anew), \$100,000
- **25.** Missionaries to America Project Mission Nation Publishing, \$88,000
- **26.** Strengthening the Lutheran Mission to Kuna, Idaho Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church, \$100,000
- **27.** Expanding God's Love in Uganda LCMS Office of International Mission, Africa Region, \$92,000
- **28.** Christ-Centered Materials for Hmong Language School and Outreach St. Paul Hmong Outreach Ministries, \$70,208