

T. Lucas Evangelical Lutheran

CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 18th & 19th,2025

The Season

After reliving the great events of the life of Christ, the worshipping Church spends half a year focusing on the teachings of Christ. The Church wears green during the season of Pentecost as the Spirit uses those teachings of Jesus to grow the faith of believers. The appointed lessons cover a great body of doctrine for faith and life.

The Sunday

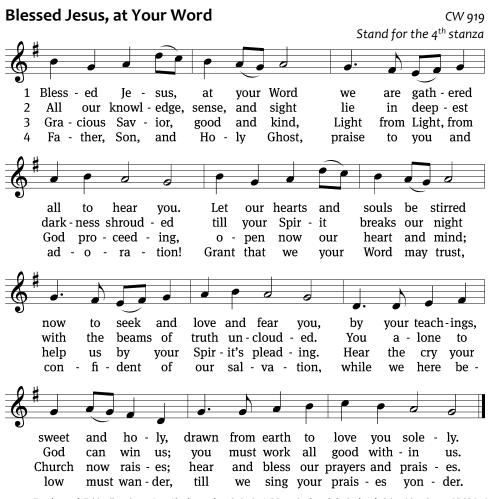
God cannot lie. So, we know every promise he makes us—to forgive, to provide, to help, to be with us—he must keep. When we persistently go to God in prayer and press him to keep his promises, God does not view that as nagging. He loves it! Because it demonstrates that our faith grasps not only that he can do what we ask, but that he will . . . because he promised.

Prayer

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord." Give me joy, dear Jesus, as I prepare to worship you today. Make me understand what my life would be like without you so that I long to hear about your grace and compassion. Help me participate in a way that honors you and builds up all who worship with me, and let their worship strengthen and encourage my faith.

Serving in Worship

Presiding: Seminarian Reagan Moore Organist: Laura Schulz



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In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession CW 155

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Almighty and merciful Father,

we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.

We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.

We have done those things that we should not have done, and we have not done those things that we should have done.

Have mercy on us, Lord!

Spare us, forgive us, and restore us, according to your promises in Christ Jesus.

Silence for meditation and reflection

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever. **Amen.**

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

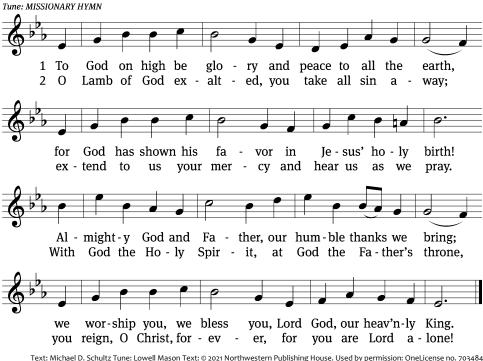
For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Gloria (Amer) - MISSIONARY HYMN

CW 1001



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The Word

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

God, our refuge and strength, have mercy on your church as we come in prayer before you. Answer us not in judgment on our sins but in peace and forgiveness; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 32:22-30

In praying that the Lord would keep his promise of blessing, Jacob literally wrestles with God.

²²That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. ²⁴So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. ²⁶Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak."

But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."

²⁷The man asked him, "What is your name?"

"Jacob," he answered.

²⁸Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome."

²⁹Jacob said, "Please tell me your name."

But he replied, "Why do you ask my name?" Then he blessed him there.

³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared."

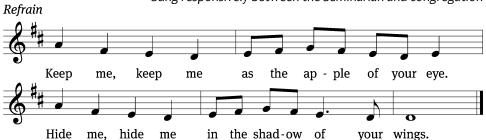
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Keep Me as the Apple of Your Eye

Psalm 121D

Sung responsively between the Seminarian and congregation



Tone



I lift up my eyes to the / mountains—where does my help / come from?

My help comes / from the LORD, the maker of heav-/en and earth.

He will not let your / foot slip—

he who watches over you will not / slumber;

indeed, he who watches over / Israel will neither slum- / ber nor sleep. Refrain

The LORD watches / over you—
the LORD is your shade at / your right hand;

the sun will not harm / you by day, nor the / moon by night.

The LORD will keep you / from all harm—he will watch o- / ver your life;

the LORD will watch over your coming and / going both now and for- / evermore.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning, is now, and will be forever. / Amen. Refrain

Second Reading

1 John 5:13-15

When we ask God for something that is according to his will—something that he has promised—we can be absolutely confident we will receive it.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 5:7

Alleluia!
Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.
Alleluia!.

Gospel Luke 18:1–8

Jesus teaches us to be bold and persistent in our prayers.

¹Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

4"For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, 5yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!' "

⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

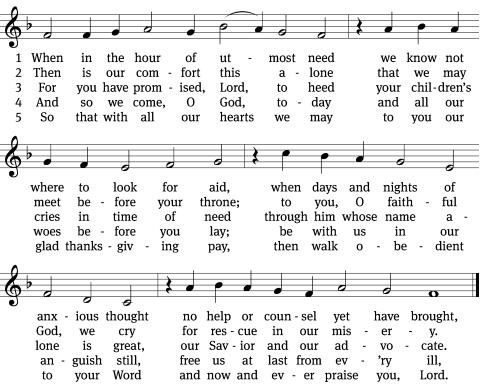
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

When in the Hour of Utmost Need

CW 723



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Stand

Sermon

Genesis 32:22-30 - "Wrestling with God"

Apostles' Creed

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.

Be seated

Prayer of the Church

Loving God and Lord, you created the universe that surrounds us and the globe on which we live. You control all things through your Son, who sits at your right hand in glory.

Comfort us with the promise of your eternal presence.

Give your Word power as it works in our hearts and minds. Clear away our confusion, and demolish our doubts. Send your Spirit to strengthen both our confidence in your promises and our desire to live according to your will.

Take away our love of sinning, and restore us each day by your grace.

The signs of the times warn us that the end of time is near. Protect us from scoffers who sneer at your truth. Spare us and Christians around the world from all forms of hate and persecution.

Give us courage to carry the cross with patience and joy.

Instill in the hearts of our children a desire to follow you as they prepare for future days. Help them distinguish between what is passing and what is eternal, between instant thrills and lasting joy. Encourage more young people to prepare for service in the public ministry of the gospel.

Mold us and move us to be good examples for our youth.

Hold in your care, Lord, those who are experiencing physical or emotional pain and all who are afflicted by disease or facing death. [Especially bless . . . here name the person and the cause of the petition.] Pour out your compassion on the grieving, and comfort the mourners who miss someone they loved.

Move us to pray for these brothers and sisters and to help when we can.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Whether we pray together or alone, you have promised to hear and answer us. Give us patience to accept your blessings in whatever way you send them. In your love and wisdom, prepare us for the day when you will take us to be with you forever.

Hear us for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Offering: God's people offer their first and best to the Lord in response to the Lord's blessings to them. The offering is gathered in a basket in the church entrance before or after the service. If you prefer to give electronically, you may scan this graphic to access www.stlucaswels.org/donate.





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Stand

Prayer

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

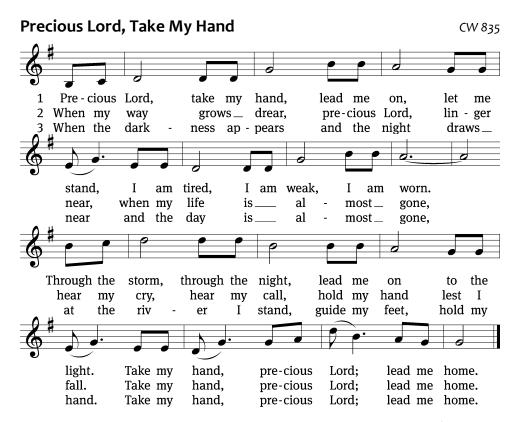
Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



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Church Resources

Family Devotions: Get your family into God's Word during the week! Our church body has short devotions available for the entire family. Each devotion comes with a Set of questions for different age groups, a prayer, and hymn verses that can be sung or spoken. Please visit **wels.net/family-devotions** to get your weekly devotions.

Marriage Moments: Every marriage has its "moments". That's why marriages need moments of encouragement and refreshment. *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Couples may subscribe to receive the videos directly through email at **welscongregationalsevices.net/marriagemoments**.

Connecting WELS Members: Connection is more important now than ever. Our church body offers many ways for WELS members to connect through social media. Join the WELS online community at

facebook.com/welslutherans, twitter.com/welstweets, Instagram.com/welslutherans, and vimeo.com/wels.

WELS Together e-Newsletter: Stay in the loop! Subscribe to the WELS Together e-Newsletter to stay connected with the people of your synod and the ministry they serve. Also, don't miss the twice-monthly videos that cover important and exciting synod news. Please visit <u>wels.net/together</u> to read and subscribe.

Baptism: If you or a loved one had not yet been baptized, and are interested in more information, please contact Pastor Henning.

Church Membership Starting Point If you're interested in becoming a member here at St. Lucas, we would love to share with you a few Bible studies to introduce you to the biblical teaching here at St. Lucas. We are willing to set up these classes in any setting most comfortable for you, and can always find time that will work for anyone and everyone. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Henning, whose contact info can be found on the final page of this bulletin, underneath the church calendar.

Announcements

Banners & Stoles Thank You: Thank you to all who donated to purchase new banners and stoles for our new church. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

Items in Church Basement: The move in date for our new church is fast approaching. There are many items here in our current church building that will not be needed going forward. Throughout the month of October these items will be displayed on the tables in the church basement for anyone who may have a need for them to take, free of charge. Please feel free to stop in after service and take a look. New items will be added weekly. Any items remaining at the conclusion of the month will be disposed of.

KML Job Opening: The KML Learning Center has an immediate part-time position open for individuals to work with students 2-3 times per week for approximately 15-20 hours each week. A high school diploma is required. If interested or for more information, contact Learning Center Administrator Sheila Krause (sheila.krause@kmlhs.org).

2026 WELS Youth Rally: This year's WELS Youth Rally will be July 14th-17th, 2026, at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green Ohio.

- * Connect with peers from all over the country.
- * Discover ways to lead and serve at your church and in your community.
- * Raise your hearts and voices worshiping with thousands.
- * Attend workshops with a biblical perspective on timely topics.
- * Learn strategies to share the saving gospel with those around you.
- * Explore what Christ can do through you!

***Registration runs March-May - *\$450 EARLY-BIRD RATE UNTIL APRIL 30 - *\$475 MAY 1-29

Advent by Candlelight – Good Shepherd, West Bend: "The Handmaid of the Lord", an Advent by Candlelight event – Tuesday, Dec. 9th at 7:00 pm, for all women ages 13 and up. Doors open at 6:30 pm – held in the sanctuary. Come for a special Acacia Theatre touring performance as you experience the birth and life of Jesus through the eyes of his mother, Mary! Janet Peterson, original one-woman show, will be dressed in period costume as she weaves the Gospels together in compelling storytelling. Invite your daughters, friends, and neighbors! Hosted by the Women's Ministry Team and the Ladies League. Please sign up by December 5th on the sheet in the Welcome Center or online.

KML Music Festival: This year's Family Music Fest will be held on Friday, April 17, 2026. The KML Music Department would like to invite you to join us for "A Night at the Movies." As in the past, we hope to include many of your church and school performance groups as well as individual and small group performances. As usual, the information regarding registration to join us for Family Music Fest will be sent out sometime in January or February. If you have any questions before then, please contact Nate Amundson at nate-amundson@kmlhs.org. We look forward to seeing you in April when we host a "A Night at the Movies!"

Ushers: We are seeking to repopulate the usher teams as we move into the new church. Special emphasis will be having our ushers serve as greeters before and after the services. Couples and family groups are especially invited to participate. You would serve one service per month on average. If you are interested, contact Mike Baumann, our leadership team member focusing on worship. His contact info is, Email: mbaumann@societymortgage.com, Phone: (414) 217-9028

Pew Removal: Pews are set to be removed following the 9:30 am service on November 9 (or the last day in the old church if it changes). If anyone is interested in a pew contact Kevin Scheunemann at kewaskumdq@gmail.com. We are asking that you be responsible for arranging your pick up that day. Anyone that would be able to help with removal call or text Curtis Koth (262)305-5591. If you are interested in anything else that will not be moving to the new church call Curtis Koth. Items will be dealt with on a first-come basis.

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph & Saphirre Symicek 10/24

Elaine Prost 10/21 Robert Belger 10/23 Dennis Backhaus 10/24

Calendar Readings for Oct. 19th - Oct. 26th 2025

Monday OCT	Tuesday Oct	Wednesday Oct
Deuteronomy 19:1-20 Matthew 15:1-20	Deuteronomy 20:1-20 Matthew 15:21-39	Deuteronomy 21:1-23 Deuteronomy 22:1-24:9 Matthew 16:1-20
	Bible Study - 6:30 pm	Catechism - 3:30 pm
	Deuteronomy 19:1-20	Deuteronomy 19:1-20 Matthew 15:1-20 Matthew 15:21-39

Thursday OCT	Friday	ост ²⁴	Saturday	ост ²⁵	Sunday	ост 26
Deuteronomy 24:10- 25:10 Matthew 16:13-28	Deuteronomy 25:17-26:19 Matthew 17:1-13		Deuteronomy 27:1-26 Matthew 17:14-27		Deuteronomy 28:1-22 Matthew 18:1-20	
Fuel for Moms - 7:45 am Bible Study - 10:00 am			Worship w/ Communion - 6:00) pm	Worship w/ Communion - 8 ar Sunday School - 9: Bible Hour - 9:15 a Worship w/ Communion - 10:3	:15 am m

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