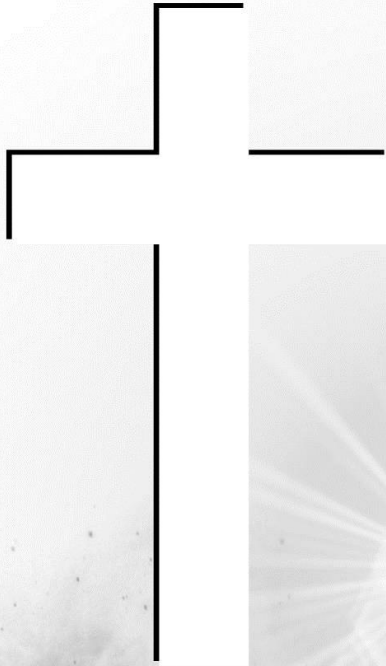


FOURTEENTH SUNDAY

After Pentecost



*For from him and through him
and for him are all things. To
him be the glory forever!*

Amen.

Romans 11:36



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CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 2nd and 3rd, 2023

The Season

In the first half of the Church Year (Advent through Pentecost) we look at the life of Christ—his birth, ministry, death, resurrection, ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit. In the second half of the year, we look at the teachings of Christ.

The Sunday

The Church will stand forever. Nothing can keep our Redeemer from upholding his promised salvation. Neither false expectations nor the gates of hell, neither an Egyptian army nor a flowing river, not even the great tribulation of the end times will keep our God from preserving his Church.

Prayer before Worship

“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 Minister: Pastor Dennis Lemke

Organist: Laura Schulz

Ushers: Chris Peters (6pm Saturday)

Matthew Stoltz & Steve Wolter (9am Saturday)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

CW 624

Stand for the 5th stanza



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,
4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -
5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -



a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is your
reign - ing and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -
made you, health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly
fend you; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that has life and breath, come now with



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear now to his
lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen how all that's
fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief ev - er has
dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



tem - ple draw near, join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
need - ful has been sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
failed of re - lief? Wings of his mer - cy did shade you.
might - y can do as with his love he be - friends you.
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; Joachim Neander, 1650–1680

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In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession

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

CW 1001

Tune: *MISSIONARY HYMN*



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;



for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.



Al - might-y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,



we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

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The Word

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow him wherever he leads; 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

Exodus 6:2–8

²God also said to Moses, “I am the LORD. ³I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself fully known to them. ⁴I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, where they resided as foreigners. ⁵Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians are enslaving, and I have remembered my covenant.

⁶“Therefore, say to the Israelites: ‘I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. ⁷I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. ⁸And I will bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I am the LORD.’ ”

The Word of the Lord.

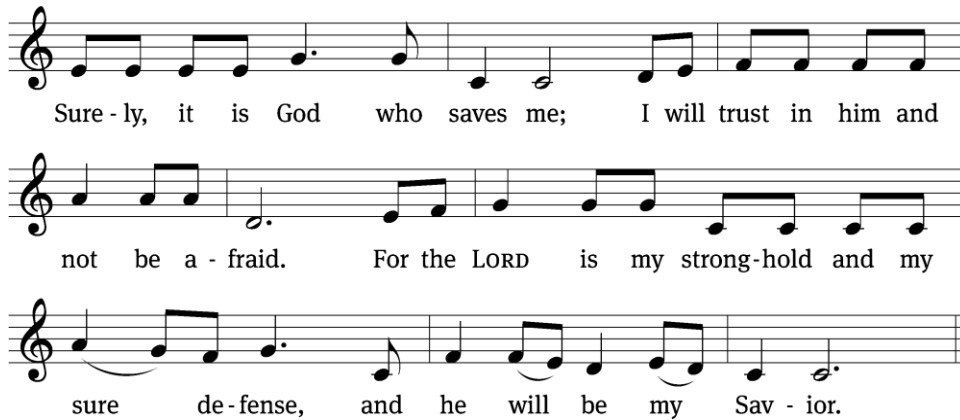
Thanks be to God.



Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

Psalm 31E
Sung responsively between
minister and congregation

Refrain



Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and
not be a - fraid. For the LORD is my strong-hold and my
sure de - fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

In you, LORD, I have taken / refuge;
let me never be / put to shame.
Be my rock of / refuge,
a strong fortress to / save me.
Into your hands I commit my / spirit;
deliver me, LORD, my / faithful God. Refrain

My times are / in your hands;
save me in your un- / failing love.
How abundant are the / good things
that you have stored up for those who / fear you.
Be strong and / take heart,
all you who hope / in the LORD.

**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**

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Second Reading

Romans 11:33–36

³³Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable his judgments,
and his paths beyond tracing out!

³⁴Who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?”

³⁵Who has ever given to God,
that God should repay them?”

³⁶For from him and through him and for him are all things.

To him be the glory forever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 8:34

Alleluia!

Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves

and take up their cross and follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13–20

¹³When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”

¹⁴They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”

¹⁶Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

CW 694



1 Je - sus, I my cross have tak - en, all to leave and
2 Let the world de - spise and leave me; they have left my
3 Go, then, earth - ly fame and trea - sure! Come, dis - as - ter,
4 Haste, my soul, from grace to glo - ry, armed by faith and



fol - low you; des - ti - tute, de-spised, for - sak - en, you on
Sav - ior, too. Hu - man hearts and looks de - ceive me; you are
scorn, and pain! In your ser - vice pain is plea - sure, with your
winged by prayer; all but heav'n is tran - si - to - ry, God's own



earth once suf - fered, too. Per - ish ev - 'ry fond am - bi - tion,
not, like them, un - true. And, since you have smiled up - on me,
fa - vor loss is gain. I have called you Ab - ba, Fa - ther;
hand shall guide you there. Soon shall end this earth - ly sto - ry,



all I've ev - er hoped or known; yet how rich is
God of wis - dom, love, and might, foes may hate and
you my all in all shall be. Storms may howl, and
swift shall pass the pil - grim days, hope soon change to



my con - di - tion, God and heav'n are still my own!
friends may shun me; show your face, and all is bright.
clouds may gath - er, all must work for good to me.
heav'n - ly glo - ry, faith to sight and prayer to praise.

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Stand

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.

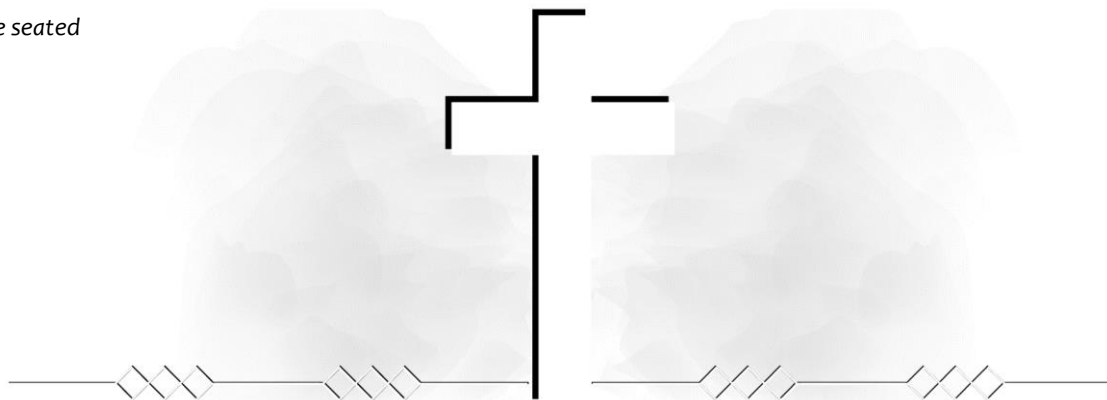
He ascended into heaven

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.

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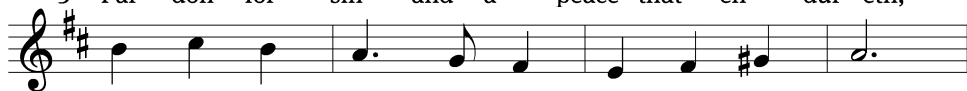


Great Is Thy Faithfulness

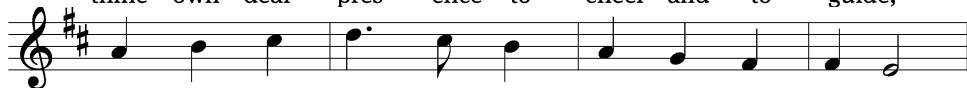
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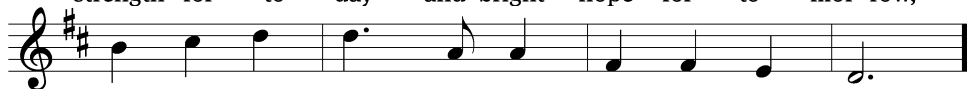
1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest,
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,



Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!



Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;



all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.



Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

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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.

To God be the Glory

CW 627



1 To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done!
2 Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,



So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son,



who yield - ed his life an a - tone-ment for sin
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be



and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
our joy and our won - der when Je - sus we see.



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!



Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice!



O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son



and give him the glo - ry, great things he has done!

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Announcements

Usher Schedules & Altar Guild: The updated usher and altar guild schedules are now available and will be at the back of church for you to pick up at your convenience.

Volleyball Coach Needed: St. Lucas school is still looking to fill the position of volleyball coach. The season can start after Aug. 23 and goes for about 6 weeks into the first week of October. Games are on Mondays and Thursdays at 4:00. Practices are on Tuesdays, typically after school but can be changed if needed. If interested in the position, please contact Mrs. Trimmer as soon as possible. jtrimmer@stlucaswels.org

Resuming Regular Worship Schedule: Beginning next week, the weekend of September 9th and 10th, we will resume our regular worship schedule as well as weekly Sunday School and Bible Hour as follows:

- **SATURDAYS:** Worship 6pm
- **SUNDAYS:**
 - Worship 8 am
 - Sunday School 9:15 am
 - Bible Hour 9:15 am
 - Worship 10:30 am

Bible Study: Beginning on September 10th we will resume our regular Bible studies as follows:

- **SUNDAYS** (beginning on September 10th) at 9:15 am – we will resume the study of the Letter of James:

Often we are tempted to say that it is not really important what we believe but that we do good for others. Others try to pull us in the opposite direction: it is not what we do that counts but only that we believe the right things. James in his epistle sets the record straight.

- **TUESDAYS** (beginning September 12th) and **THURSDAYS** (beginning September 14th) at 6:30 pm we will begin a study of Isaiah:

Isaiah's prophecy has been called "The Fifth Gospel." Many of his passages sound familiar to us. But do we understand them in their context or the prophet who recorded

them? This study will not only help you understand Isaiah's greatest one-liners, but also his greater message.

- THURSDAYS at 7:45 am: Fuel for Moms

Come when you can, stay as you are able, for a casual discussion of Biblical topics. Bring your children along.

Catechism Instruction: Catechism for 6th-8th grade will begin on September 13th at 3:30 pm.

PK first day of school: The first day of school for PK will be Tuesday 9/5/23.

Farmer's Market: Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cedarburg invites you to enjoy their Farmer's Market open every Saturday from 9 am – 1 pm, August 8th - September 30th (except for 9/2/23). Come browse local fresh produce, honey, mushrooms, handmade soaps, paper cards, fresh flowers, and more. For more information, please visit their website, redeemercedarburg.com, and you'll find a link to the Farmer's Marker in the upper right hand corner of the page.

Keys Run: We are happy to support our local community by partnering with the KEYS Run, from the KEYS Scholarship organization. The 30th annual Keys Scholarship fun run/walk will be held at Kewaskum High School on Sunday, October 8th, 2023 at 11 am. KEYS, Inc. is a non-profit organization established in 1985 to accept contributions to provide scholarships for Kewaskum High School graduates. For more information, or to register for the run/walk, please visit us at us at Keys-Scholarships.org or scan the QR code to register and secure your spot .



Celebrating God's Blessings This Week:

BIRTHDAYS

Janice Herriges – 9/4
Donald Zimmer – 9/5
Barbara Knorr – 9/6
Abby Shambeau – 9/7

Lilly Shambeau – 9/7
Alec Nagel – 9/9
Eden Reindl – 9/9
Kathy Wesenberg – 9/9

ANNIVERSARIES

Thomas & Susan Olewinski – 9/8

Calendar

Readings for September 3rd – September 10th, 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
03	04	05
<i>1 Kings 19:1-21</i> <i>1 Kings 20:1-22:53</i> <i>Ephesians 3:1-21</i> *Worship 9am	<i>2 Kings 2:1-18</i> <i>Ephesians 4:1-24</i> No School	<i>2 Kings 19:25; 4:1-7</i> <i>Ephesians 4:28-5:14</i> 1 st Day of PK
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
06	07	08
<i>2 Kings 4:8-22; 5:32-37</i> <i>Ephesians 5:15-33</i>	<i>2 Kings 4:38-5:8</i> <i>Ephesians 6:1-24</i>	<i>2 Kings 5:9-27</i> <i>Philippians 1:1-20</i>
SATURDAY	SUNDAY	UPCOMING USHERS
09	10	
<i>2 Kings 6:1-23</i> <i>2 Kings 6:24-8:29</i> <i>Philippians 1:21-2:11</i> *Worship w/Communion 6pm	<i>2 Kings 9:1-13; 10:18-29</i> <i>2 Kings 13:1-18:8</i> <i>Philippians 2:12-30</i> *Worship w/Communion 8am Sunday School 9:15 am Bible Hour 9:15 am Worship w/Communion 10:30 am	Saturday 9/9: Beyer 6pm Sunday 9/10: Schacht 8am Strack 10:30am Saturday 9/16: Butzke 6pm Sunday 9/17: Kempf 8am Koch 10:30am

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