

**“Therefore,
pray that the LORD
of the harvest will send
out workers into his
harvest.”**

Matthew 9:38

The Order of Worship

Pre-Service Music

Opening Hymn: “Spread, Oh, Spread the Mighty Word”
Christian Worship 576

God Places His Name on Us

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

C: And also with you!

The Confession of Sins

P: This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

C: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

P: Brothers and sisters, Jesus has come into our sin-darkened lives to bring light and life. Through him God the Father has revealed his glory, and by the Holy Spirit, we have been called to be his children. Yet we have not lived as God’s children ought to live. All of us have sinned and have made ourselves completely unacceptable before God. We deserve his just judgment and punishment. Therefore, we need to confess our sins and plead for his mercy.

C: Most merciful God, we are not worthy to be called your

children. Too often we have chosen to live in the darkness of disobedience rather than in the light of your faithfulness. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved or served others as you desire. We have sinned against you in our thoughts, our words, and our actions. Therefore, we can only plead, God have mercy on us.

The Assurance of Forgiveness

P: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven; whose sin is pardoned. In his undeserved love God sent his one and only Son into this world made dark by sin. He came to be one with us to rescue us. He lived a perfect life as our Substitute. He endured the just punishment we deserved. Through his suffering and death, the penalty for our sin was paid, and by his glorious resurrection we are assured of the gift of new life. Therefore, because of Jesus atoning work, I forgive all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



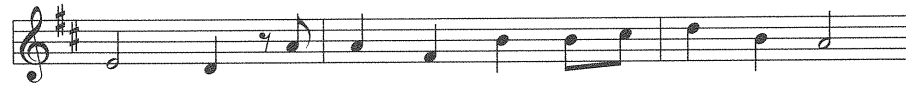
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e—



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ev — er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.



Bless — ed are they who take ref — uge in him.

Prayer for the Day

P: O gracious Lord and Savior, your desire is that all people hear the good news of their rescue and be saved. To this end, you call your redeemed to be witnesses to proclaim the things they have heard and seen. Help us be faithful witnesses. Open our eyes to see the great harvest before us. Encourage us to labor diligently and tirelessly until you say our time of service is over. When all is complete, and you return in glory, may we be found faithful so that we can receive your servant's reward. Finally, give us the privilege to praise you for your undeserved love as our Savior and Lord—together with your Father and the Spirit, with whom you live and rule as the one true and triune God.



C: A — — — men.

The Lessons from God's Word

"The Lord Provides Faithful Servants"

Old Testament

Numbers 27:15–23

¹⁵Moses spoke to the LORD, ¹⁶“May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, appoint a man over the community, ¹⁷who will go out before them and come in before them, who will lead them out and bring them in, so that the community of the LORD will not be like sheep without a shepherd.”

¹⁸The LORD said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and place your hand on him. ¹⁹Have him stand in front of Eleazar the priest and the entire community. You will commission him in their sight. ²⁰You will give some of your authority to him so that the entire Israelite community will listen to him. ²¹He will stand before Eleazar the priest, who will inquire for him before the LORD with the decision of the Urim. He and all the Israelites with him, the entire community, will go out at his command and come in at his command.”

²²Moses did just as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand in front of Eleazar the priest and the entire community. ²³He placed his hands on him and commissioned him, just as the LORD spoke through Moses.

Psalm for the Day

Psalm 89

Refrain

At the works of your hands, O Lord, I
lift up my voice in song; I sing for joy.

Psalm tone

I will sing of the LORD’S great love for- | ever; *
I will make your faithfulness known through
all gener- | ations.

I will declare that your love stands firm for- | ever; *
that you established your faithfulness in heav- | en itself.

The heavens praise your won- | ders, O LORD, *
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the | holy ones.

Refrain

O LORD God Almighty, who | is like you? *
you are mighty, O LORD, and your
faithfulness sur- | rounds you.

Blessed are those who have learned to ac- | claim you, *
who walk in the light of your pre- | sence, O LORD.

They rejoice in your name | all day long; *
they exult in your | righteousness.

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

Epistle

1 Corinthians 4:1–7

¹This is the way a person should think of us: as servants of Christ and stewards of God's mysteries. ²In this connection, moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful. ³But it is a trivial matter to me if I am evaluated by you or by a day in a human court. Why, I do not even evaluate myself. ⁴I do not in fact know of anything against myself, but I am not justified by this; rather, the one who evaluates me is the Lord. ⁵Therefore judge nothing ahead of time, until the Lord comes. He will bring to light whatever is hidden in darkness and also reveal the intentions of hearts. Then there will be praise for each person from God.

⁶Brothers, I turned these things into a lesson using myself and Apollos as examples. I did this for your benefit, so that you may learn from us not to go beyond what is written. Then you will not be arrogant, favoring one person over the other. ⁷For who makes you so special? And what do you have that you did not receive? But if you did receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it?

P: The word of the LORD came to me. “Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born, I set you apart. I appointed you to be a prophet to the nations.”

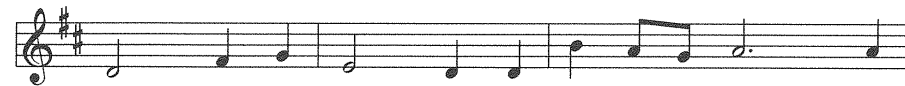
But I said, “Ah, LORD God! I really do not know how to speak! I am only a child!”

The LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a child.’ You must go to everyone to whom I send you and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, because I am with you, and I will rescue you, declares the LORD.”

Alleluia!



C: Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!



These words are writ—ten that we may be—lieve that



Je—sus is the Christ, the Son — of God.



Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia! Al—le—lu—ia!

Gospel

Matthew 9:35-10:8

³⁵Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

³⁶When he saw the crowds, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and downcast, like sheep with-

out a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. ³⁸Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest.”

^{10:1}Jesus called his twelve disciples to himself and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

⁵Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, “Do not go among the Gentiles, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. ⁶Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, preach this message: ‘The kingdom of heaven is near!’ ⁸Heal the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give.

Children’s Message

“Jesus is Our Compassionate Shepherd!”

P: This is the Word of our God.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

*“I Hear the Savior Calling”
Christian Worship 560*

Sermon

Matthew 9:35-10:8

“See, There’s Work to be Done!”

The Confession of Faith

(we unite in the words of the Apostles’ Creed)

**C: 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.**

Thanksgiving

Prayer for the Lord's Blessing
Special Prayers and Requests

The Lord's Prayer

**C: 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.**

Hymn

“Hark! The Voice of Jesus Crying”
Christian Worship 573

Closing Prayer

P: We are all one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
To plan and work together that all may know Christ’s love.

We all are called to service, to witness in God’s name.
Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same;
To touch the lives of others with God’s surprising grace,
So every folk and nation may feel God’s warm embrace.

**C: Now let us be united, and let our song be heard;
Now let us be a vessel for God’s redeeming Word.
We all are one in mission; we all are one in call,
Our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.**

P: O gracious Lord, you have called us by the Gospel, you have enlightened us with your gifts, you have strengthened and kept us in the one true faith. As redeemed people and your faithful disciples, lead us to recognize the great privilege and responsibility you have given us. Today, we see the scores of people who do not know you and what you have done for them. In addition to praying for workers, we also pray that you would make us your faithful servants. Strengthen us. Encourage us. Bless all we do, so that in the end many may be gathered to rejoice before you in heaven—ever praising you their Lord, their Savior, and their one true God.



C: A ——— men.

The Benediction

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace; live in harmony with one another; serve the Lord in gladness.

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 his favor; and
give you peace.



C: A - men. A — men. A — men.

Closing Hymn

“Lord of the Living Harvest”
Christian Worship 559

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Today—*Welcome in our Savior’s name!* May the great blessing of grace which is ours through faith in Jesus Christ, fill us with joy and energy to serve our Lord by gathering precious souls from the harvest field. If you are visiting this morning, please sign a “visitor card” or the guest book. We also invite you to worship again, soon!

- The June edition of the WELS Connection will be shown following the service.
- Please join us for some refreshments and a cup of coffee following the worship service.
- Christian Education will begin at 11:00 am. This week the study will review the call of Joshua.

Tuesday—Outreach Committee meeting at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday—Bible Class at 7:00 pm. We continue with the study of the Holy Spirit, particularly the gifts he gives.

Friday—Office hours from 10:30—2:30 pm.

Saturday—Clean: Favuzzi

- Lawn beginning June 25th—C. Schueler

Sunday, June 25th—In Person Worship and Live-Streaming at 9:30 am. Paul reminded Timothy of the challenges he would have to face. There would be false teachers, false believers, and a false faith. In spite of these challenges, Paul encouraged Timothy to keep on doing the work he was set apart of do. This is the same encouragement we need, and receive from the Lord and his Gospel.

- Christian Education will follow the service and will examine the commission Jesus gave his disciples. We will also consider the similarities and differences between their commission and ours.
- There will be Sunday School for school age children. This will be the last class before a summer break.

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