

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 14 & 17, 2022

*Focused Worship Seeks Service From Jesus
More Than Service For Jesus*

Opening Hymn 688, “The Gifts Christ Freely Gives”

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Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy and bring forth fruits in faith, hope, and love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING

Psalm of the Day (*On Insert*)..... Psalm 2D

SECOND READING

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Gospel Acclamation Verse: *My word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire / * and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. (SUNG! – See Pg. 161 for melody!)*

GOSPEL

Hymn of the Day 645, “One Thing’s Needful”

SERMON..... “One Thing Is Needed” Luke 10:38-42

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Communion Hymn..... 670, “I Come, O Savior, to Your Table”

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Closing Hymn 640, “God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-14

With his gracious visit and his gracious words, the Lord serves Sarah with exactly what she needs—a strengthened faith.

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he was sitting by the door to his tent during the heat of the day. Abraham looked up, and he saw three men standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them, and he bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I have now found favor in your sight, please do not pass your servant by. Now let me get a little water so that all of you can wash your feet and rest under the tree. Let me get some bread so that you can refresh yourselves. After that you may go your way. That is why you have come to your servant.” They said, “Yes, do as you have said.”

Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quickly prepare twenty quarts of fine flour, knead it, and make some loaves of bread.” Abraham ran to the herd, brought a good, tender calf, and gave it to the servant. He hurried to prepare it.

He took cheese curds, milk, and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them. He stood beside them under the tree while they ate. They asked him, “Where is Sarah, your wife?” He said, “She is over there in the tent.” One of the men said, “I will certainly return to you when this season comes around next year. Then Sarah your wife will have a son.”

Sarah was listening to this from the tent door, which was behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, well into old age. Sarah was past the age for childbearing. Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, will I have pleasure, since my lord is also old?”

The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Will I really give birth to a child though I am old?’ Is anything impossible for the LORD? At the set time next year I will return to you, and Sarah will have a son.”

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:1-14

Paul prays that God would serve the Colossians through the gospel, rescuing them from the dominion of darkness and empowering them to produce the fruit of good works.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the holy and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love that you have for all the saints because of the hope that is stored up for you in heaven. You have already heard about this in the word of truth, the gospel that is present with you now. The gospel is bearing fruit and growing in the entire world, just as it also has been doing among you from the day you heard it and came to know the grace of God in truth. You learned this from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf. He is the one who told us about your love in the Spirit. For this reason, from the day we heard about your love, we also have not stopped praying for you. We keep asking that you would be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding, so that you might live in a way that is worthy of the Lord. Our goal is that you please him by bearing fruit in every kind of good work and by growing in the knowledge of God, as you are being strengthened with all power because of his glorious might working in you. Then you will have complete endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. The Father rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

One sister served Jesus, which was lovely. The other sister wanted to be served by Jesus, which is the one thing needed.

As they went on their way, Jesus came into a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who was sitting at the Lord’s feet and was listening to his word. But Martha was distracted with all her serving. She came over and said, “Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her to help me.” The Lord answered and told her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things, but one thing is needed. In fact, Mary has chosen that better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNION: Because of the confessional nature of the Lord's Supper which is offered today, we invite forward those who are members of a WELS or ELS congregation. If you have questions about the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor.

HEAD USHERS THIS WEEK: Don Koch/Doug Schulz; next Sunday: Ross Schultz/Wayne Schultz

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY: No one has signed up to host the fellowship hour which would take place immediately following the worship service on **Sunday, July 31**. If this is something you or a group of you would be willing to do, please sign up on the sheet hanging on the church bulletin board or speak with Pastor Mose today. Thank you!

QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING: The next Quarterly Voters' Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 20**, at **8:00 PM**. All voters are encouraged to attend!

SCHOOL SUMMER LETTER: The school summer letter was mailed out to all school parents this past week. If you do not receive your letter, please speak with Debbi Foulkes or Mr. Lorge.

BRAT FRY: St. Matthew's PTL will be holding a brat fry on **Saturday, July 23**, from **10:00 AM – 2:00 PM** at **Leroy Meats** in **Horicon**. We are looking for volunteers to help at this brat fry, especially from our school families! We are also looking for donations of baked goods to be sold at this event. If this is something you would be willing to do, please contact **Sam Manning (920-296-9466)** or **Brian Youngbeck (920-296-1128)** as soon as possible. We encourage everyone to come on over and help support the school while enjoying a delicious lunch!

DODGE COUNTY FAIR – WELS BOOTH: There will once again be a WELS booth at this year's Dodge County Fair. The fair is scheduled for **August 17-21, 2022**. Volunteers are needed to staff the booth. If this is something you may be interested in doing, please sign up for a three-hour time slot on the sheet located on the church bulletin board in the school hallway. The deadline to sign up is **Sunday, August 14!** There will be a meeting of the volunteers on **Sunday, August 14**, at **6:00 PM** at **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Beaver Dam**. If you have any questions about this event, please direct them to **Joy Pamperin (920-344-8062)**.

ST. PETER, KEKOSKEE – INSTALLATION SERVICE: The members of St. Peter, Mayville (Kekoskee), joyfully invite you to join them for a special service to install Pastor William Carter as our new pastor on **Sunday, July 24**. They extended a call to Pastor Carter as part of a new dual-parish arrangement with St. Paul, Brownsville, that officially began on July 1. Pastor Carter had been serving as their vacancy pastor since Pastor Dennis Bratz retired in June 2020. The service will begin at **2:00 PM**. Circuit Pastor Matthew Kiecker of St. John, Lomira, will preside. Former District President David Kolander, who now serves as one of the pastors at Christ the Lord in Brookfield and as a called assistant to our new district president, will preach the sermon. Pastor Kolander and Pastor Carter served together as district officers for ten of the sixteen years that Pastor Carter has served as district secretary. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served after the service. Please send an email to their chairman, Jeff Schall (jeffnmarie@charter.net), by July 17 to let him know if you will be staying for the meal.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 33; Sunday: 95

Offerings: \$3,658.67

(Budget Amount Needed Each Week: \$6,889.00)

Special Funds: Debt Retirement: \$25.00; Undesignated Memorial (Debt Retirement): \$150.00

Memorials: In Memory of Patrice Resheske: \$150.00

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday: Communion Worship Service 9:00 AM

Wednesday: **Quarterly Voters' Meeting** **8:00 PM**

Thursday: Worship Service 7:00 PM

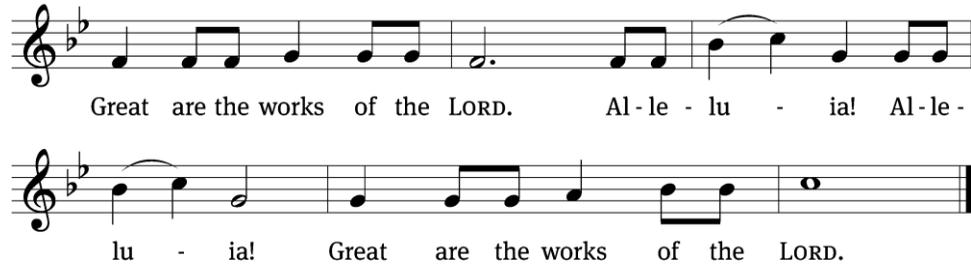
Saturday: *PTL BRAT FRY (@ Leroy Meats, Horicon)*
..... 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 AM

2D Great Are the Works of the LORD

Psalms 2D

Refrain



Great are the works of the LORD. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le -
lu - ia! Great are the works of the LORD.

Tone



Why do the nations / conspire
and the peoples / plot in vain?
The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together a- / gainst the LORD
and against his A- / nointed. *Refrain*

The One enthroned in / heaven laughs;
the Lord / scoffs at them.
He rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, / saying,
“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy / mountain.” *Refrain*

I will proclaim the / LORD’s decree:
He said to me, “You are my Son; today I have become your / Father.”
**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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