

Husbands,
love your wives,
just as Christ
loved the church
and gave himself
up for her.

EPHESIANS 5:25, NIV

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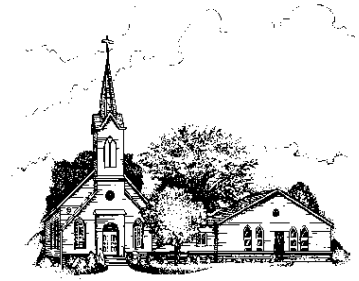
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Welcome to God's House

The closest we can get to a clear picture of God's love for us is the mirror of the love that he wants us to have for one another in the family. The goal of family members is to reflect the love of God for us in self - giving love for one another in the family. How tragic that in our society such a mirror is clouded indeed! There is much to repent of and much to strive toward.

THE COMMON SERVICE (Hymnal, p. 15)

Opening Hymn

Love Is the Gracious Gift CW #505

Love is the gracious gift of your goodness; love is the patient fruit of your care;
Love is the gentle work of your Spirit, who is the source of love ev'rywhere.

You loved me first, Lord, sending me Jesus. Then I responded, trusting your Son.
Now you invite me to love my neighbor, showing your true love to ev'ryone.

Love means forgiveness, patience, and kindness; love is not jealous, boastful, or rude.
Love endures all things, bearing, believing; love hopes forever, rejoices in truth.

Love in a marriage, love freely given, love of a husband, love of a wife—
Made to continue, blossom, and flourish, grow ever deeper throughout this life.

Love among Christians, love in the fam'ly, love for the Savior, whose blood was shed,
Love and submission one to another as unto Christ, who reigns as our head.

Invocation

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: 🎵 Amen.

Confession of Sins

- M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**
- C: ♪ Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.**
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: ♪ Amen.**
- M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.
- C: ♪ We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator!
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring:
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

With voices united our praises we offer;
To you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
Your strong arm will guide us; our God is beside us.
To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise!**

Prayer of the Day

- M: The Lord be with you.
- C: ♪ And also with you.**
- M: Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C:  **Amen.**

First Lesson

Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸ The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

¹⁹ Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

²³ The man said,

“This is now bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called ‘woman,’
for she was taken out of man.”

²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Psalm 139b

CW, page 117

Refrain



I will praise you, O Lord, for I am won - der - ful - ly made.

M: O LORD, you created my inmost being;

C: **you knit me together in my mother’s womb.**

M: I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;

C: **your works are wonderful, I know that full well.**

M: My frame was not hidden from you;

C: **your eyes saw my unformed body.**

M: All the days ordained for me

C: **were written in your book before one of them came to be.**

M: How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!

C: **How vast is the sum of them!**

M: Were I to count them,

C: **they would outnumber the grains of sand.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain



I will praise you, O Lord, for I am won - der - ful - ly made.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 5:21—6:4

²¹ Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

²² Wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything.

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. ²⁸ In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— ³⁰ for we are members of his body. ³¹ “For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” ³² This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the church.

³³ However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

6 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² “Honor your father and mother” —which is the first commandment with a promise— ³ “so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.”

⁴ Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.

Verse of the Day

Hebrews 2:12

M: Alleluia. I will proclaim your name to my people; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you. Alleluia.

C: 🎵 **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: 🎵 **Glory be to you, O Lord!**

² Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

³ “What did Moses command you?” he replied.

⁴ They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

⁵ “It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied.

⁶ “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ ⁷ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸ and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰ When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this. ¹¹ He answered, “Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her. ¹² And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.”

¹³ People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶ And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: 🎵 Praise be to you, O Christ!

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn

Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall CW #506

Oh, blest the house, whate'er befall, where Jesus Christ is all in all!
A home that is not wholly his—how sad and poor and dark it is!

Oh, blest that house where faith you find and all within have set their mind
To trust their God and serve him still and do in all his holy will.

Oh, blest the parents who give heed unto their children's foremost need
And weary not of care or cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!

Blest such a house; it prospers well. In peace and joy the parents dwell,
And in their children's lives is shown how richly God can bless his own.

Then here will I and mine today a solemn promise make and say:
Though all the world forsake his Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

Sermon

Mark 10:2-9

Follow the Divine Design

After the sermon, the congregation sings:

C: ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit. Amen.

Offering Hymn

We Give Thee But Thine Own CW #485:1-2

The members of Zion have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. If you are a visitor, please don't feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

**C: ♪ We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.**

Prayer of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament

Preface

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **♪ And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **♪ We lift them up unto the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: **♪ It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory.

Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

C: **♪ Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts: heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

Words of Institution


M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C:  Amen.

O Christ, Lamb of God

C:  O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord CW #309

Draw near and take the body of the Lord,
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Offered was he for greatest and for least,
Himself the victim and himself the priest.

He that his saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,
With heav'nly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsty soul.

Come forward, then, with faithful hearts sincere,
And take the pledges of salvation here.
Before your altar, Lord, your servants bow;
In this your feast of love be with us now.

Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior CW #313

Jesus Christ, our blessed Savior, Turned away God's wrath forever;
By his bitter grief and woe He saved us from the evil foe.

As his pledge of love undying, He, this precious food supplying,
Gives his body with the bread And with the wine the blood he shed.

Jesus here himself is sharing; Take heed how you are preparing,
For if you do not believe, Judgment instead you shall receive.

Useless would be Jesus' passion If salvation you could fashion.
Do not come if you suppose You need not him who died and rose.

Christ says, "Come, all you that labor, And receive my grace and favor;
Those who feel no pain or ill Need no physician's help or skill."

Then hold fast with faith unshaken That this food is to be taken
By the souls who are distressed, By hearts that long for peace and rest.

Praise the Father, who from heaven Unto us such food has given
And, to mend what we have done, Gave into death his only Son.

If your heart this truth professes And your mouth your sin confesses,
Surely you will be his guest And at his banquet ever blest.

Song of Simeon

C: 🎵 **Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your word.
For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the
face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people
Israel.**

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: 🎵 **And his mercy endures forever.**

M: O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your
Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us
pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us
but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve
you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: 🎵 **Amen.**

The Blessing

M: 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.

C: 🎵 **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Bless Our Loved Ones, Holy Father CW #504:1, 4, 6

1 Bless our loved ones, Holy Father; Hear our anxious prayer;
By your mercy keep them always In your care.

4 May the joy of your salvation Be their strength and stay!
May they love and may they praise you Day by day!

6 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God forever true,
Bless them, guide them, save them, keep them Close to you.



This Week at Zion

- Today:** 7:30 / 9:45 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
8:30 / 8:45 a.m. Sunday School / Bible Study
2:30 p.m. KML Fall concert
- Mon:** 6:30 p.m. Evangelism committee
- Tue:** 7:00 p.m. Elders meeting
- Wed:** 6:00 p.m. Catechism instructions
- Thu – Fri:** District Council – St. Paul, Muskego
- Thu:** 7:00 p.m. Worship
- Sat:** 8:30 – 12 p.m. LWMS Rally at St. Matthew's, Iron Ridge
9:30 – 3 p.m. Christian Life Resources Convention at KML
- Sun:** 7:30 / 9:45 a.m. Worship
8:30 / 8:45 a.m. Sunday School / Bible study
7:00 p.m. MLC College Choir Concert at Peace, Hartford

In Our Prayers Les Hahn, back at Virginia Highlands after an extended hospital stay; Carol Krajcik, undergoing a procedure this week at Froedtert Hospital – St. Joseph’s; Joan Schuppel at home with ongoing health challenges; and Norman Martin at Hope in Lomira.

Lord’s Supper We believe that gathering together at God’s altar to receive Holy Communion is a testimony of the confession and commitment we share as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our Lutheran denomination to speak with the pastor before joining us at the altar so all may have a clear understanding of our faith and practice.

Remember, Jesus gives qualifications for his Supper, among them “examining ourselves.” Read through p. 156 in the front of your hymnals for one way to do just that.

We thank Judy Lemke and Barb Olsen, who served as our organists on Thursday and Sunday, respectively.

Altar Flowers The flowers on the altar are placed to God’s glory by Allan and Angela Martin on the occasion of their 25th anniversary, as well as by Maridene Wagner on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

October newsletters, copies of the *Forward in Christ* and church calendars are available on the cabinets in the entryway.

LWMS Fall Rally The Dodge-Washington Circuit of the LWMS will hold its fall rally on Saturday, October 16th, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Iron Ridge. The speakers will be Doctors Jim and Stephanie Moore speaking about our WELS mission in Nepal. You’ll hear about how our missionaries are not only preaching the gospel, but trying to help them out of extreme poverty by teaching them how to raise dairy cattle, which provides some income. All of our members are welcome to attend. Please contact Gail Kurtz or Pastor Bode for additional information.

Singles Event WELS/ELS Singles Group has an event near you! Join us hiking at Pike Lake this Saturday, October 16 at 1:30 p.m. We will park in the beach parking lot and determine our route. If we are lucky it will be a good opportunity to see fall colors. The address is S. Pike Lake Dr. Hartford WI, 53027. For questions, contact Rachel Fritz at rachelfritz@yahoo.com or 515.778.1374. If you can’t make this event

but are interested in future events, stay in touch through our facebook page:

[Facebook Groups](#)

Calling All Crafters & Craft-Lovers You're invited to support a craft and bake sale to benefit Branch Lutheran Schools in Haiti. The island of Haiti was hit hard by an earthquake last month and the children and families connected to Branch Lutheran Schools have gone without many basic necessities ever since. A local fundraiser is being planned to help support the victims of the earthquake on Saturday, October 23rd from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Trinity Community Center at N6409 County Road P (Mayville), just south of Hwy. 33. You can help by donating baked goods or crafts for the sale. You can also help by coming out that day to purchase some of the amazing crafts and baked goods. If you want more information, see the posters on the bulletin board.

KML Fall Concert Please join the bands and choirs of KML next Sunday, October 10, at 2:30 p.m. as they present their Fall Concert in KML's PAC auditorium. If you'd prefer to watch it at home, go to the livestream at www.kmlhs.org/stream.

Martin Luther College Concert On October 17th at 7 p.m. you are invited to Peace Lutheran in Hartford as the Martin Luther College Choir, under the direction of Professor Jon Laabs, presents a sacred concert titled: *Let It Shine*. There is no admission charge but a door offering will be gathered to help with choir expenses. Come and meet some of our future church workers and enjoy a fabulous concert that beautifully proclaims God's grace in song.

Lighthouse Youth Center We have our semi-annual trip to Lighthouse Youth Center coming up on November 5th. As always, we appreciate donations of food so we can provide these young people with a good supper that night. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the entryway.