



“Return
to your **home,**
and **declare** how
much **God** has
done **for you.”**

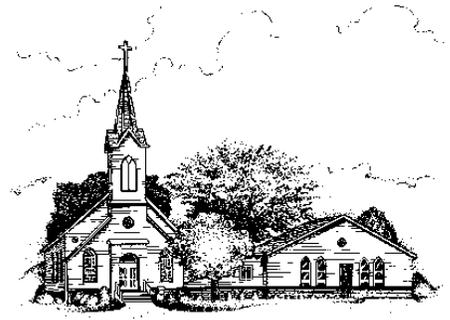
Luke 8:39

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Welcome to God's House

God's words are powerful! With only his words, Jesus cured illness and raised the dead. With his words, Jesus created the faith that receives his forgiveness. So we should not be surprised this week when we see that Jesus' words also have the power to push back the spiritual forces of evil that are in the world. Jesus' words expose idols as worthless and following idols as self-destructive evil. Jesus' words are so compelling, even demons must obey them. It is not surprising that God's words crush evil. It is a surprise, however, to see that Jesus' words have Jesus' power even when they are not coming from Jesus' mouth. Jesus puts his words on our lips. He makes us his witnesses. And as we carry out that awesome role, Jesus continues to drive back Satan and his allies, just as he did when he walked the earth. When the gospel comes out of the mouths of sinners like us, Jesus "sends the power of evil reeling"

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Hymn

We Have a Gospel to Proclaim #741 *hymnal*

A small choir will sing the first two stanzas; congregation may join for the remaining stanzas

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Confession of Sins

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father,

I am sinful by nature

and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.

I have not loved you with my whole heart;

I have not loved others as I should.

I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins

with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.
Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

Christ, have mercy.

For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

Amen.

Glory Be to God

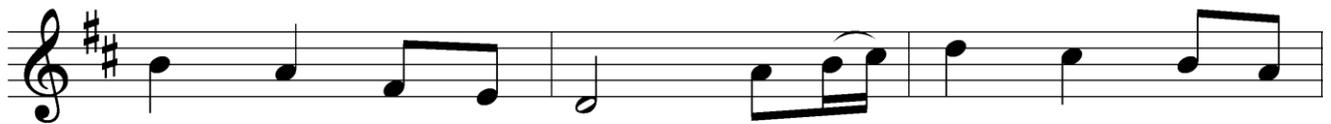
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1 Glo - ry be to God in heav - en, peace to those he loves so
2 On - ly Son of God the Fa - ther, Lamb who takes our sin a -



well. On the earth let all his peo - ple speak his
way, now with him in tri - umph seat - ed— for your



grace, his won - ders tell: Lord, we praise you for your
mer - cy, Lord, we pray: Je - sus Christ, most high and



glo - ry, might - y Fa - ther, heav - en's King; hear our
ho - ly, Sav - ior, you are God a - lone in the



joy - ful ad - o - ra - tion and ac - cept the thanks we bring.
glo - ry of the Fa - ther with the Spir - it, Three in One!

THE WORD

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, you sent your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, into this world to destroy the works of the devil and protect us poor people against such an evil foe. Uphold us in all affliction by your Holy Spirit so that we may have peace from such enemies and remain forever blessed; 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

Isaiah 43:8-13

Lead out those who have eyes but are blind,
who have ears but are deaf.

⁹All the nations gather together
and the peoples assemble.

Which of their gods foretold this
and proclaimed to us the former things?

Let them bring in their witnesses to prove they were right,
so that others may hear and say, "It is true."

¹⁰"You are my witnesses," declares the Lord,
"and my servant whom I have chosen,
so that you may know and believe me
and understand that I am he.

Before me no god was formed,
nor will there be one after me.

¹¹ I, even I, am the Lord,
 and apart from me there is no savior.
¹² I have revealed and saved and proclaimed—
 I, and not some foreign god among you.
 You are my witnesses,” declares the Lord, “that I am God.
¹³ Yes, and from ancient days I am he.
 No one can deliver out of my hand.
 When I act, who can reverse it?”

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

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Refrain

Let all the earth sing out our Sav-ior's praise,
 cry out to God with joy.

Tone

Shout for joy to God, / all the earth!
 Sing the glory of his name; make his praise / glorious.
 Praise our God, all / peoples,
 let the sound of his / praise be heard;

he has pre- / served our lives
and kept our feet from / slipping. *Refrain*

Come and hear, all you who / fear God;
let me tell you what he has / done for me.

If I had cherished sin / in my heart,
the Lord would not have / listened;
but God has surely / listened
and has / heard my prayer.

**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

2 Timothy 1:3-10

³I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. ⁴Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. ⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

⁶For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. ⁷For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. ⁸So do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner. Rather, join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God. ⁹He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, ¹⁰but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

1 John 4:14



Refrain



We have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. Refrain

Gospel

Luke 8:26-39

²⁶They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don’t torture me!” ²⁹For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

³⁰Jesus asked him, “What is your name?”

“Legion,” he replied, because many demons had gone into him. ³¹And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

³²A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission. ³³When the

demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, ³⁵and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ³⁶Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. ³⁷Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

Rise, Shine, You People #744

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
our human story; God in him is centered.

He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
with grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
he brings us freedom, light and life and healing.

All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.

To all the world go out and tell the story
of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent his Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
his new creation.

Sermon

Luke 8:26-39

The 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.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven. **Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.**

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. [Pour out your special blessing on . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying. **Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayers and special intercessions

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace. **In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Offering

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.

Hymn

By Grace I'm Saved #575:1-3, 5

By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
my soul, believe and doubt it not.

Why waver at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
So then this word must true remain:
by grace you, too, shall heav'n obtain.

By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit
that Jesus died, your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone,
that brought him from his heav'nly throne.

By grace! O mark this word of promise
when you are by your sins oppressed,
when Satan plagues your troubled conscience,
and when your heart is seeking rest.
What reason cannot comprehend
God by his grace to you did send.

By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
in Jesus' promise I rejoice,
for though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
since I am saved by grace alone.

Prayer

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in

death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Closing Hymn

God's Word Is Our Great Heritage #640

God's Word is our great heritage
and shall be ours forever;
to spread its light from age to age
shall be our chief endeavor.

Through life it guides our way,
in death it is our stay.

Lord, grant, while worlds endure,
we keep its teachings pure
throughout all generations.

This Week at Zion

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| Today: | | Happy Father's Day! |
| | 7:30 / 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
| Wed: | 2:30 p.m. | KM Gardens devotion, Kewaskum |
| Thu: | 7:00 p.m. | Worship with Holy Communion |
| Sun: | 7:30 / 9:00 a.m. | Worship with Holy Communion |

In Our Prayers Debra Pamperin, undergoing surgery this Tuesday; Dan Heinecke, now in hospice care; Jim Ray, recovering at home after surgery; also Janet Salzman, recovering at home following a recent surgery.

We thank our accompanists this weekend: Anne Drewa on Thursday night and Anna Bode on Sunday. We also thank our small choir, made up of the evangelism committee.

Too Hot or Too Cold? The church air conditioner is on its last legs and is scheduled to be replaced as soon as certain parts come in. That said, even when we have a fully-functioning air conditioner it's still hard to find the happy medium temperature for church services. If you sit in the front, it tends to be cooler because it's near the a/c/ vents; if you sit in the back or in the balcony it tends to be warmer. Please take that into consideration when you come to church...dress accordingly and choose your seat accordingly.

The WELS Connection for June will be shown after the service today. Learn about Kingdom Prep, a new all-boys area Lutheran high school in downtown Milwaukee that is training leaders to serve Christ in family, church, and community.

There are still a number of *Forward in Christ* magazines for June on the cabinets. Pick one up to read an article exploring what it means for fathers to be strong Christian leaders, and more about Kingdom Prep, an all-boys area Lutheran high school in Milwaukee County that is training leaders to serve Christ in family, church, and community. There are also some great articles on the difficult bible teaching of the holy trinity and the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Choral Concerts *Canticum Novum*, a WELS chamber choir, is presenting a free concert in your area, and you are invited to attend. This year's program, entitled "My Soul Yearns for You," includes music centered on the profound impact that God's word, work, and presence have on our lives. The concerts will take place this coming Friday, June 24, 7:30 PM at St. Marcus Lutheran Church in Milwaukee WI; Saturday, June 25, 7:30 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church in Waukesha WI; and Sunday, June 26, 9:00 AM at Crown of Life in Hubertus WI. Visit canticumnovumwels.org and follow our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CanticumNovumWELS>) for more information.

Save Your Meditations If you have copies of past *Meditations* booklets, please save them so they can be used again by the WELS prison ministry. Just bring them to church and place them in the wooden box to the left of the church mailboxes. Thank you.

Summer Anniversary in Milwaukee On Sunday, July 10 at 2pm the WELS Historical Institute invites you to join a celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America. In 1872 six Lutheran synods (WELS, ELS, and LCMS among them) joined together in full church fellowship in the Synodical Conference. To mark this occasion there will be a service of thanksgiving at 2pm (Prof. em. Dr. Mark Braun from WLC will preach) and then a presentation at 3pm on the founding by Pastor Peter Prange of New Life Lutheran Church, Kenosha. You will be surprised by what brought the Lutherans together and how they confessed the faith once entrusted to the saints. Festivities will be held at St. John's in Milwaukee (804 W Vliet St), which was the location of the original founding in 1872.

KML Charity Golf Outing and Dinner This annual event has become a highlight of the year and has filled quickly these past few years. Registration is still open by going to www.kmlhs.org/golf22. We welcome sponsors and donors for our outing and have a full list of sponsorship options available. Questions? Contact Paul Snamiska (262.677.4051 x4023; paul.snamiska@kmlhs.org).

Volunteers Needed The Washington County Senior Dining Home Delivered Meal program needs volunteers to provide kitchen assistance for packing meals

for the home delivered meal participants in the West Bend area for 1 – 1 ½ hours on Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you can help on one or both of these days we would love to hear from you. Please call the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Washington County at 262.335.4497 or 1.877.306.3030 for more information.

Save the Date! The 10th Annual Kettle Klomp 5K Run/2 Mile Walk is scheduled for Saturday, August 13, 2022. Visit kmlhs.org/klomp for the most up-to-date information.