# HIDING FROM GOD

#### **Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Sunday, June 9, 2024, 9:30 a.m.

#### **Prelude**

Voluntary (Croft)

"May Jesus Christ Be Praised" (arr. Hopson & Brunner)

#### Welcome

Inspired by the abundant hospitality of Jesus Christ, Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church as 'we make God known through words and deeds'.

**Call to Worship** (based on the Psalm 130 text for the day)

Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.

Lord, listen to us, and hear our cries for mercy.

If you kept a record of our wrongdoing, we wouldn't have a chance.

You know us through and through and love us just the same.

Forgiveness is built into your character. That's who you have been from the first days of creation.

You are our Three-in-One God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

The God of all creation is the One who created each one of us. At the beginning of time, God created everything and said it was good. But something changed. If we could rewrite history, would we change what happened in the garden? Would we go back and never eat that fruit, and things would be different today? We wouldn't have to confess our sin. We would not need a Savior. Or would we? Let's pray.

God, we love to believe that we would have chosen differently than Adam and Eve, but we know ourselves too well. We are just like them, self-centered and focused on the immediate. Forgive us for thinking that we can live without you. Forgive us for acting in ways that shatter your creation. Forgive us for saying things that are hurtful and destructive.

God, it is hard to imagine that you could see all of what we are and say that it's good. You love us far more than we believe you could. Such brokenness can only be restored by the One who went to a cross, died on our behalf, and rose to resurrection life. He is Jesus, and we worship him. Amen!

**Opening Hymn** 

"You Servants of God"

#825 vs. 1, 3, 4

#### Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. God, we easily follow what delights our senses. We desire more of what we should not have, and we'd rather follow our own sense of wisdom. Help us to trust your promises and your good intentions even though we may not understand them at the time. Help us to believe that you will provide. Amen.

#### **First Reading**

Genesis 3:8-15

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." <sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel." Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

**Psalm** Psalm 130

<sup>1</sup>Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

<sup>2</sup>O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

<sup>3</sup>If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup>Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.

<sup>5</sup>I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

<sup>6</sup>My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

<sup>8</sup>For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

#### **Second Reading** 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. <sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. <sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.** 

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

**Gospel Reading** 

Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup> and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. <sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup> for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." <sup>31</sup> Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." 33And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" 34And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon** "Hiding from God" Pastor Overbo

Hymn of the Day

"Take My Life That I May Be"

#685

#### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Prayers of the Church**

Hospitalized/Ill: De Ann Fylling- Niece of Deanna & Dan Hickel, Tori Simon, Judy Cordell, Alan Schultz,

Ric Holmquest- Brother of Jack Holmquest, Kevin Stark- Brother of Carol (Ron) Bergan, Gretchen Morrow Bray- Daughter of Darline Morrow & Sister of Ann (Greg) DeSpiegler

<u>Death:</u> Barry Johnson, Lois Anderson- Sister of Linda Koch

#### **Blessing of Prayer Shawls & Quilts**

#### Offering

# Text to Give: 605-250-6765 or Scan the QR code located in the pew Noisy Can Offering (for all ages) Mission of the Month: Campus Ministry (LuMin)



#### **Offertory Response**

"Create In Me a Clean Heart"

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#### **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray together. God, creator of all things, we bring these gifts to be used in the work of your Kingdom. Grow joyful generosity in our hearts and make us truly thankful for the ministry we share together in our congregation and in churches all over the world. May these signs of your love touch and bless people, people we may never meet, in ways that we will never know. Amen.

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Blessing**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  $\oplus$  be upon you now and forever. **Amen.** 

**Sending Hymn** 

"On Our Way Rejoicing"

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#### Call to Service

Go and trust that God loves you more than you can imagine. Go in peace and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please share the peace, as well as your name when you leave today.

**Postlude** 

Fanfare (Colvin)

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#### **Serving**

Preaching: Pastor Overbo; Organist: AJ Sherrill; Lector: Gary Grewing; Ushers: Gary Grewing;

#### THE WEEKLY WORD- ANNOUNCEMENTS



# Guther 7-12 Grade

Luther League 2.0 will meet at various times throughout the summer months. Gathering times will be announced through the "Luther League 2.0 Remind App". If you are not already included in the "Remind" notification, please contact Philip.

#### SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS

#### Cereal

As you go grocery shopping, please consider picking up a couple extras to donate. Drop these items off at LCOOR and we will deliver them to the Salvation Army. Thanks in advance for your generosity!





#### JUNE MISSION OF THE MONTH

Campus Ministry (LuMin)

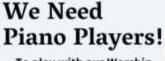


Mission of the Month dollars are above and beyond your regular giving. Please clearly mark your offering with Mission of the Month. Thank you!

#### COOKIES NEEDED

Sandwich Ministry is in need of cookies. We have cookie kits available for pick up at the Welcome Center or church office

You can also bake your own cookies & drop them off at the church. Thank you



To play with our Worship **Teams on Wednesday** Evenings & Sunday Mornings.



Contact Megan in the church office at 886-2696 or meganelcoorwatertown.org

## 1ST - 4TH GRADE

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games crafts, snacks and

Friends are always

SUMMER DATES: JUNE 17, JULY 15, AUGUST 5

1-1st-4th Grade

#### STH & STH GRADE

Join us from 6-7:30 p.m. for games, crafts, snacks and fellowship. Friends are always welcome.



SUMMER DATES: JUNE 17, JULY 22, AUGUST 12



LUTHERAN **WORLD RELIEF** 

We are collecting personal care kits in June.

Instructions can be found at the Welcome Center.



## EMPTY ICE CREAM **PAILS NEEDED**

ICE CREAM PAILS CAN BE DROPPED OFF IN THE CHURCH OFFICE AND WILL BE USED FOR A SERVICE PROJECT LATER THIS YEAR. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

#### June 9-16

### Print too small? Large print bulletins are available at all worship services.

#### **Sunday June 9**

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

#### Monday June 10

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

12:00 p.m. Endowment Committee

Meeting

6:45 p.m. Al-Anon

#### **Tuesday June 11**

11:00 a.m. Text Study

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

#### Wednesday June 12

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

9:30 a.m. Combined Circle Gathering

6:00 p.m. Fishing League

#### **Thursday June 13**

5:15 p.m. Al-Anon

#### Friday June 14

Church Office Closes at Noon

8:00 a.m. Watertown Sandwich Ministry

#### Saturday June 15

5:30 p.m. Traditional Worship with Holy

Communion

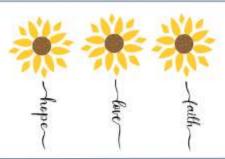
#### Sunday June 16

9:00 a.m. Worship at Memorial Park with

Holy Communion

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy

Communion



#### Attendance & Offering

May 26 Live Stream- 84

Saturday, June 1-64

Sunday, June 2 (9:00)- 140

Sunday, June 2 (9:30) - 91

#### Offering (6/2):

General Fund: \$12,668;

Debt Reduction: \$220;

Mission of the Month: \$117.48;

#### Simply Giving Offering (5/27-5/31):

General Fund: \$4,872.99; Debt Reduction: \$105;

Other: \$240;

Mission of the Month: \$30;

#### Staff

#### Senior Pastor

Dan Overbo

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Laura Overbo

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#### Custodian

Roman Gainor

#### JUNE 9, 2024 HYMN OF THE WEEK

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am 🔩

#### **WEEKLY MILESTONES**

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life

#### **CARING CONVERSATIONS**



Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- When is a time you witnessed an act of kindness that was not well received?
- Many religious leaders did not approve of what Jesus did or said. Why do you think this was?

#### **DEVOTIONS**



Read: Mark 3:20-35.

In this reading, Jesus' ministry creates controversy and conflict. It also brings healing, hope, and salvation. Jesus challenges families as well as scribes, those who represent the religious life of Jerusalem. Both our family life and our life of faith in the larger church need the power of Jesus. It is Jesus who can bind up the strong man, an image of Satan. Jesus binds and limits the powers of evil as well as unbinds people needing healing and forgiveness. The eternal sin of speaking against the Holy Spirit is rejecting the divine goodness in Jesus. Opposing the work of the kingdom that Jesus brings denies the power of God to heal and to save. The conflict presented by the kingdom of God is either believing or not believing in the divine power of Jesus. The will of God is to listen to and believe in Jesus. It is the merciful power of God that heals our lives and is intended for our homes and our congregations.

Discuss: When have you gone through a tough time and then experienced the power of God's care and mercy?

*Pray:* Almighty God, give us faith and confidence to reject evil and to see your goodness and mercy in the world through the power of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **SERVICE**



Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you do the will of God by reaching out to someone in need of healing?

#### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**



Psalm 130 is a prayer for forgiveness and mercy. Recognizing our sin and need for God's mercy and forgiveness is a wonderful gift of faith. The prayer Jesus taught us to pray, the Lord's Prayer, teaches us to ask for forgiveness. Write the words "forgive us our sins (trespasses) as we forgive those who sin (trespass) against us." Use the paper as a bookmark for Bible readings. Finish by praying the Lord's Prayer.

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org



# JUNE 9, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### Following Jesus is the will of God.

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Mark 3:20-35	Doing the work of God
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Monday Genesis 3:8-15 Adam and Eve hide from God

Tuesday 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Living by faith

Wednesday 2 Peter 3:8-15 The Lord is patient

Thursday Acts 3:11-26 Peter speaks in the temple

Friday 2 Corinthians 4:7-12 Treasure in clay jars

Saturday Psalm 130 Prayer of lament and hope

Sunday Mark 4:26-34 Parables of Jesus

#### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

And looking at those who sat around him, he [Jesus] said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." Mark 3:34-35 (NRSV)

#### **PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

#### A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, give us faith to see your power of love and mercy in the world through Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Dear God, we thank you for providing us with this meal and everything we need for daily life. Help us to recognize your goodness and mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A Blessing to Give:

May the power of Jesus give you peace in knowing God's steadfast love.



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