

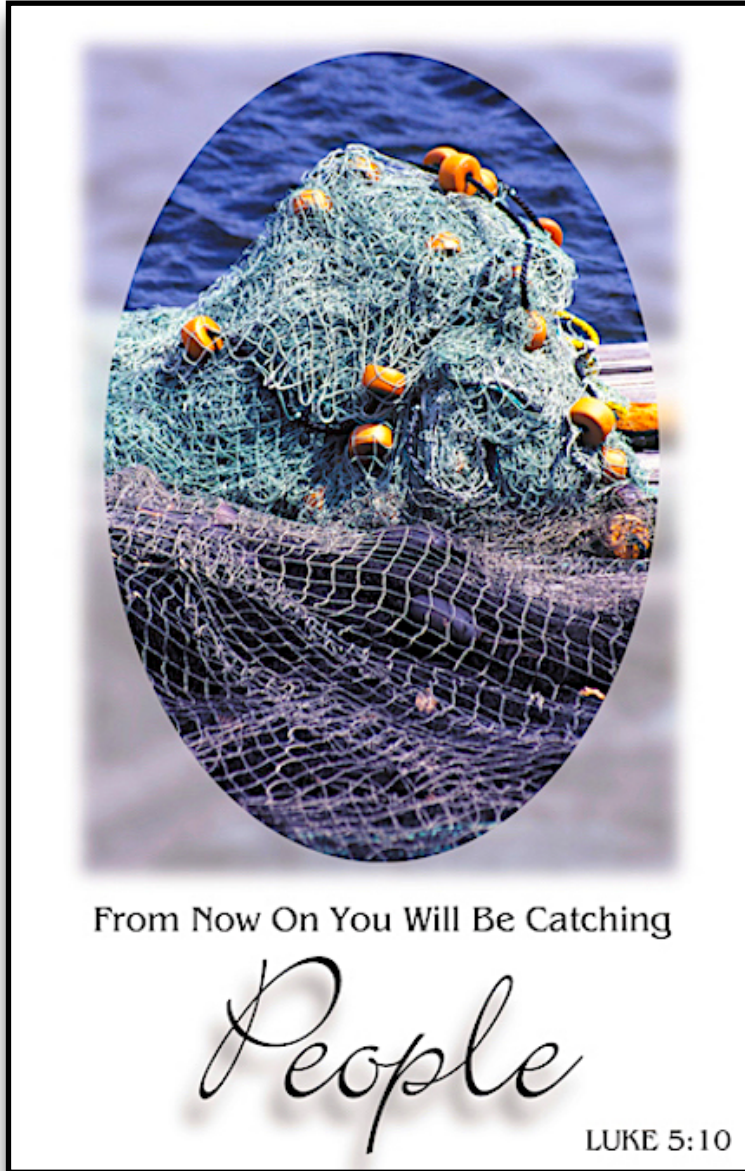
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3rd Sunday after Pentecost – June 18, 2023

Order of Worship: Service of the Word

(printed on liturgy insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)

Serving Us At God's House Today

Organist: Carly Mess

Ushers: Wayne Ruegge, Jesse Cornish

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 138 (pew bible, p.554)
- ◆ The Hymns: 804, 684, 873, 923
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Hosea 5:13-6:6, Romans 4:18-25
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (liturgy insert, p.15)

Sermon Text – Luke 5:1-11

Behold, With Peter, the Savior's Glory!

1. With Peter treasure *especially* the blessings of Jesus' saving Word.
2. With Peter look also to Jesus for your *earthly* blessings.
3. With Peter receive *every* blessing in humble faith and thankful service.

- ◆ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ◆ Altar Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction
- ◆ Closing Hymn (923)

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Hosea 5:13–6:6

5:13 "When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah his sores, then Ephraim turned to Assyria, and sent to the great king for help. But he is not able to cure you, not able to heal your sores. 14 For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, like a great lion to Judah. I will tear them to pieces and go away; I will carry them off, with no one to rescue them. 15 Then I will go back to my place until they admit their guilt. And they will seek my face; in their misery they will earnestly seek me." 6:1 "Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. 2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. 3 Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth." 4 "What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears. 5 Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth; my judgments flashed like lightning upon you. 6 For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings."

Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 119

P Oh, how I love your law!:
C **I meditate on it all day long.**
P I have more insight than all my teachers:
C **For I meditate on your statutes.**
P I have more understanding than the elders:
C **For I obey your precepts.**
P I have kept my feet from every evil path:
C **So that I might obey your word.**
P I have not departed from your laws:
C **For you yourself have taught me.**
P How sweet are your words to my taste:
C **Sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

Second Lesson – Romans 4:18-25

18 Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” 19 Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead. 20 Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, 21 being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. 22 This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” 23 The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, 24 but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. 25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Sermon Text – Luke 5:1-11

1 One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the people crowding around him and listening to the word of God, 2 he saw at the water’s edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. 3 He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” 5 Simon answered, “Master, we’ve worked hard all night and haven’t caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.” 6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. 7 So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. 8 When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!” 9 For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, 10 and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will catch men.” 11 So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

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This Week at St. Paul

Today (6/18)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time
Sun (6/25)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time

Extended Calendar

Sat, July 8	Summer Clean-Up Day, 8:00 am to noon
Sun, July 9	Church Council Meeting, 8:30 am
Sun, July 16	Mary & Martha Ladies Meeting, 10:45 am
Sun, July 23	Quarterly Voters Meeting, 10:45 am
Sun, Aug 6	Elders Meeting, 8:30 am

Coffee Hour: During the weeks of summer a time will be set aside after the worship service for coffee/refreshments and informal fellowship in the church basement. Sunday School and Bible Class will be in recess until September. Be encouraged to stay for a few minutes if you can!

In Our Prayers: Arnold Ottjes, father of Lisa Sprengeler, who entered hospice care recently. He is living at the Covenant Living nursing facility in Westminster. <> Continue to remember in your prayers: Willa Mae Janssen, Bobbie Brethauer, and Doug Tiefel who are each recovering from various medical ailments.

The Mary & Martha Ladies Group is taking monetary donations to offset the cost for the purchase of flowers (now gracing our church in the outside planters). Our thanks to Jo Blakey for her labor of love in getting them planted! To share a donation for this purpose:

- place your offering in an envelope & put the amount on the "Other" line
- place it in a plain envelope with "Mary Martha Flowers"
- give your offering to Crystal Ruegge, Mary & Martha Treasurer

The CLC General Pastoral Conference will be held this week Tuesday through Thursday on the campus of Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire WI. Pastor Schuetze plans to attend.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

June 19-24, '23

Mon Matthew 9:9-13 Jesus' saving forgiveness is meant for all people, even someone like Matthew, who collected taxes for the Roman rulers. It was those needing forgiveness who were the objects of His mercy. "For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners" (v13).

Tues Romans 10:1-4 Jesus' apostle shares his Master's desire to save the people of Israel. Like our own sinful human nature, many of the Jews declined the righteousness which God would give them in Christ. Instead they sought to establish their own righteousness by following the law.

Wed Romans 10:5-13 The righteousness which God gives freely does not require us to do anything – either to bring Christ down to the earth or to bring Him up from the grave – but has already been done for everyone. "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (v13).

Thur Romans 10:14-15 Even those who call on the name of the Lord (v13) are not the product of their own efforts, but of Him who sent preachers. Through preachers He created hearers and by the Word preached He persuaded hearers to believe, to call upon His name and be saved.

Fri Proverbs 9:1-6 The Christ whom Paul preached (1Co.1:23) is "to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the **wisdom** of God" (1Co.1:24). He sets before us a wonderful banquet and invites all to come to him and live.

Sat Proverbs 9:7-10 Word of the wondrous banquet (9:2-3) has gone out to all but not all will heed the invitation. How can we be among the wise ones who do? Respect for the Lord will lead us to pay close attention to His Word, which will bring wisdom and insight. To this goal help us, dear Lord.

Scriptures for Father's Day

- Proverbs 3:11-12 – My son, do not despise the LORD’S discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the LORD reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.
- Ephesians 6:1-4 – Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.
- Proverbs 22:6 – Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.
- Proverbs 23:24 – The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him.
- Deuteronomy 6:6-9 – And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.
- Psalm 103:13 – As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.



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A Father's Day Prayer

Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, grant that people everywhere may know the blessing of a loving father at home. In homes where fathers have neglected their duties or have been absent, help the children to persevere and to set their ideal for parenthood in Your Word. Lord, thank You for our fathers. Direct us to honor, love, and respect them every day in every way. Keep all of our family members in the true faith in Jesus so that we may spend eternity together with You in heaven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.