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*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,  
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## † SERVICE OF THE WORD †

Psalm

*Psalm 54; antiphon: v. 4*

- <sup>1</sup>O God, save me, by your name,  
and vindicate me by your might.
- <sup>2</sup>O God, hear my prayer;  
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- <sup>3</sup>For strangers have risen against me;  
ruthless men seek my life;  
they do not set God before themselves.
- <sup>4</sup>Behold, God is my helper;  
the Lord is the upholder of my life.
- <sup>5</sup>He will return the evil to my enemies;  
in your faithfulness put an end to them.
- <sup>6</sup>With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;  
I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.
- <sup>7</sup>For he has delivered me from every trouble,  
and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.
- 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
- <sup>4</sup>Behold, God is my helper;  
the Lord is the upholder of my life.

## Kyrie

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- C Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

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- P Glory be to God on high:  
C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.  
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.  
For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.  
C And with thy spirit.  
P Let us pray.  
O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C Amen.

## Old Testament Reading

*Jeremiah 11:18-20*

- <sup>18</sup>The LORD made it known to me and I knew;  
then you showed me their deeds.  
<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.  
I did not know it was against me  
they devised schemes, saying,  
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
that his name be remembered no more.”  
<sup>20</sup>But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,  
who tests the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,

for to you have I committed my cause.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*James 3:13–4:10*

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

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C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*Mark 9:30-37*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup>[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” <sup>32</sup>But they did

not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

### Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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.

### Children's Message

Sermon Hymn “How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”

LSB 853

- 1 How clear is our vocation, Lord,  
When once we heed Your call:  
To live according to Your Word  
And daily learn, refreshed, restored,  
That You are Lord of all  
And will not let us fall.
- 2 But if, forgetful, we should find

Your yoke is hard to bear;  
If worldly pressures fray the mind,  
And love itself cannot unwind  
Its tangled skein of care:  
Our inward life repair.

3 We marvel how Your saints become  
In hindrances more sure;  
Whose joyful virtues put to shame  
The casual way we wear Your name  
And by our faults obscure  
Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.

4 In what You give us, Lord, to do,  
Together or alone,  
In old routines or ventures new,  
May we not cease to look to You,  
The cross You hung upon—  
All You endeavored done.

Sermon

**“Gospel Servants: Serve First”**

Mark 9:35-37

Offertory

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

Offering

**“Make Me a Servant”**

Make me a servant  
Humble and meek  
Lord let me lift up  
Those who are weak  
And may the prayer  
Of my heart always be  
Make me a servant  
Make me a servant  
Make me a servant today

Prayer of the Church

† SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT †

## Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

## Lord's Prayer

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C 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

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## Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

- C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

## Distribution

## Distribution Hymn "The Lamb"

LSB 547

- 1 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
 O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
 Faith sees, believes  
 God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain
- ref Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
 The Lamb is reigning on His throne!
- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
 One perfect final offering.  
 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
 Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain
- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb,  
 As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
 So still, His will  
 On our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain
- 4 He sighs, He dies,  
 He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
 He lives, forgives,  
 He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain
- 5 He rose, He rose,  
 My heart with thanks now overflows.  
 His song prolong  
 Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain

## "O Love, How Deep"

LSB 544

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
 Beyond all thought and fantasy,  
 That God, the Son of God, should take  
 Our mortal form for mortals' sake!

- 2 He sent no angel to our race,  
Of higher or of lower place,  
But wore the robe of human frame,  
And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore  
His holy fast and hungered sore;  
For us temptation sharp He knew;  
For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;  
For us His daily works He wrought,  
By words and signs and actions thus  
Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,  
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,  
He bore the shameful cross and death;  
For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;  
For us He went on high to reign;  
For us He sent His Spirit here  
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

#### **Nunc Dimittis**

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- C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before  
the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.

#### **Thanksgiving**

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- P** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth forever.
- P** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through  
this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would

strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

### Benedicamus

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P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

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P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

### Closing Hymn “Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way”

LSB 857

1 Lord, help us walk Your servant way  
Wherever love may lead  
And, bending low, forgetting self,  
Each serve the other’s need.

2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord,  
But pow’r You laid aside.  
You lived Your years in servanthood;  
In lowliness You died.

5 Lord, help us walk Your servant way  
Wherever love may lead  
And, bending low, forgetting self,  
Each serve the other’s need.

**The Worship Service Sunday Morning**

## September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

<b>Preacher</b>	Rev. Joshua Schmidt	
<b>Liturgist</b>	Rev. Michael Redeker	
<b>Elders</b>	John O'Connor, Peter Chaney Matt Bonnell, John McDowell	8:00am 10:30am
<b>Organist</b>	Marilyn Smith	
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jimmy Hayes, Luke Lampitt Adrianna Atencio, Aaliyah Atencio	8:00am 10:30am
<b>Ushers</b>	Victor Lozano, Ron Sawyer Doug Haynes, John Bruner Jeremy Skoog, John Feliciano Eric Skoog, Matt Meyer	8:00am  10:30am
<b>Greeters</b>	Karen Mead Carol Peterson	8:00am 10:30am
<b>Videographer</b>	Jeremy Skoog	8:00am

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**Announcements**  
**September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**VOLUNTEERS-** We need help with the church and school annual financial review. If you are interested call Wade Schultz at (970) 216-0970.

**THANK YOU-** to the LWML for the 16 new folding chairs in the Fellowship Hall.

**THANK YOU—**With your help, our campus ministry supported “Meat the Freshmen” that introduced around 600 freshmen to the various (over 10) Christian resources and opportunities on campus (while grilling them steak)! This event had a surplus of \$3,400 donated which will be used for the Christ Center’s CMU scholarship fund!!!

**GREETERS-** Thank you to all of you who have signed up to be greeters and to all future greeters. There are still Sundays available. Help be a welcoming smile to all members and visitors to Messiah. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex next to the Communion Help sign-up sheet. We need greeters for September & October 2021.

**UNDERSTANDING OUR BELIEF—** Every Tuesday, at 6:00PM, Mr. Scott Mauser will be hosting a class on apologetics, discussing how to share what we believe in truth, love, gentleness, and respect. These classes will be over at the Alpha and Omega Institute. Hope you can make it!

**THIS WEEK-** Join a Small Group on Galatians. This will be a 6-week series. Here are the Galatians Small Group Times and places: Mondays at 5:30pm in the Multipurpose Room, Wednesdays at 2:00pm in Fruita, Thursdays 6:30am Sunrise Café, Thursdays 11:00am in the library, & Thursdays 6:30pm online only.

**SEE YOU AT THE POLE-** Wed. Sept. 22 at 7:15 a.m. we will be standing around the flagpole to pray for our school, nation, friends, and family. All are invited to come and join in.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS-** We are glad to have so many people interested in our church!!! The next new member class will be on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. These classes will be 9am-noon (feel free to bring your breakfast!). Come and refresh your memory on our beliefs; invite a friend and help go through the curriculum with them; or just come to see what the Lutheran Church is all about. There is no obligation for membership upon concluding the class, it is simply up to you.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to the FALL RALLY OF L.W.M.L. OF WESTERN ZONE “Lord, don’t you care....” Psalms 144: vs 2-4 It is <sup>d</sup>, Saturday October 2 at Lutheran Church and School of Messiah, 840 N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Junction, CO. It begins at 8:30 a.m. with Registration & Breakfast Snacks. 9:00 to 1:00 p.m. is Bible Study & Business Meeting. In gathering donations are for The Pregnancy Center & Birthright. Needs: Are Disposable diapers, safety items such as electrical outlet covers, etc. Lotions, shampoos, baby washes diaper rash ointments, creams, new & used bottles, new baby sleep sacks, and sleepers. Monetary gifts are also welcome.

**SR. HIGH EVENTS - FALL LOCK-IN** on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6PM to October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11AM.  
**BREAKFAST BURRITOS** 9-12 graders come help us make them on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. This is one of our *biggest* fundraisers for the National Youth Gathering as well as other Youth Group Events.

**QUILTS FOR SALE-** The Quilting ladies have 3 quilts on display in the fellowship hall that are for sale.

**JOIN THE QUILTING LADIES-** We welcome anyone who is interested in joining our quilting group. We are not only making quilts, we are also having fun and making friends and learning from each other. No sewing experience is needed. We meet every Tuesday at 9:00am to sew and assemble quilts. Please come and join us!

**URGENTLY NEEDED COMMUNION HELP-** We still need volunteers in December for set up and volunteers on for 2nd & 4th weeks Wednesdays to clean up. Please contact Laura Ryden with any questions. (970) 260-6766

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE POSITION-** The annual election of congregational chairmen and board members will be held at the November congregational meeting. If you are interested in serving on Church Council we need Elders, Evangelism, Parochial Ed. (School Board), Christian Ed. (Sunday School Board), Stewardship, & Board of Finance members. Contact the office at 970-245-2838 if you are interested in serving.

**PRAYER REQUESTS-** *"But when you pray, go to into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you," (Matt. 6:6).* Prayer requests for yourself, family with permission, or by a pastor, may be sent to Beth Weber at [weber4342@acsol.net](mailto:weber4342@acsol.net).

**GIFT PLANNING-** A builder needs the right tools to perform their work. God's people need the right tools to make the right gifts, the right way, from their estates to family and ministry. For many, a simple bequest from a will/trust or beneficiary designation on an account can get the job done. But even then, God's donors must choose which assets to use for bequests, especially being smart, from a tax perspective. Your Messiah Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Jason Jones at [Jason.Jones@lfnd.org](mailto:Jason.Jones@lfnd.org) or call him directly at (970) 988-0305.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS-** Mark 9:24 - "Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, 'I believe; help my unbelief!' "Haven't we often felt like this! And notice that Jesus does not throw the man out because of his weakness of faith. He still has pity, and He still blesses the man as His Lord. But neither does Jesus leave people today in weakness of faith. He blesses us and calls us to a deeper faith - as He did to the disciples in the boat on the storm-tossed sea. How does our faith grow? By hearing the Word of God. What does our faith lead to as it grows? It leads to a godly life lived in thanksgiving to our Lord.

**THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS-** Thrivent members, do not forget to direct your Choice Dollars® to the church general fund or to the school scholarship fund. You have two easy options to direct your Choice Dollars: Online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) or by calling

800-847-4836

**MESSIAH'S RADIO MINISTRY**-Sunday mornings at 8:30am -9:00am on 1100AM/KNZZ radio station. If you would like to be a sponsor for this ministry, contact the church office, 970-245-2838. This is followed by Lutheran Hour at 9:00am.

**August Income-**

Week of Sept. 1-16	\$ 38,258.15
Weekly need	\$20,992.52
Month to date	\$70,751.50
Monthly need	\$83,090.08

## Calendar for the Week

Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion
Monday	1:30pm	Office Staff Meeting
	3:15pm	School Staff Meeting
	5:30pm	Galatians Small Group in Multipurpose Room
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilt Ladies/Fellowship Hall
	4:00pm	Jr. High Youth Group
	5:30pm	Sr. High Youth Group
	5:30pm	Home Volleyball game vs. Life Academy
Wednesday	7:15am	See you at the Flagpole
	8:00am	<b>WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE</b>
	11:00am	Wednesday Bible Class/Isaiah/Zoom
	2:00pm	Galatians Small Group in Fruita
	6:00pm	Wednesday night service/Communion
Thursday	6:30am	Galatians Small Group at Sunrise Cafe
	6:30pm	Pastor Redeker's Online Bible Class-Galatians Small Group
Friday	-----	Pastor Redeker's Day Off
	-----	Pastor Schmidt's Day Off
Saturday	9:00am	New Membership Class
Sunday	8:00am	Divine Service/Communion/Facebook Live
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study/Sunday School/Facebook Live
	10:30am	Divine Service/Communion

