

A Mission Congregation of the ELCA
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Sermon Series on the Book of Matthew
Week 2
September 6, 2020



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- **Prelude “O What A Beautiful Morning; Somebody Bigger Than You and I; These Hands; Bringing in the Sheaves” Roxanne Groff**

- **Office of the Acolyte and Ringing of the Bell**

- **Welcome**

Pr Mel

- **SPECIAL MUSIC The Lord’s Prayer**

Mr. Larry Harter

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

P: Guiding God,

C: You have shown us how to live a good life, yet we think we can do better on our own. We do not honor you or our neighbors, instead choosing to follow our selfish desires. We long to be free and yet hold others’ wrongs against them. Release us from this endless cycle of guilt and poor choices. Restore us to yourself again, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: We are God’s beloved children and we have been forgiven! Now live in the joy which this grace provides, and share the good news with others.

C: Amen.

*** GREETING**

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

C: And also with you.

*** PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Merciful God, You know the frailty of our souls even when we will not admit it. Give us courage to be honest about our faults, so that we can truly receive the forgiveness you have freely offered, for Jesus’ sake,

C: Amen.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 6:9-15

P: Our scripture reading for this morning is from Matthew, Chapter 6.

C: Glory to you O Lord.

⁹"Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹Give us this day our daily bread. ¹²And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. ¹⁴For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; ¹⁵but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Praise To You, O Christ (*Spoken*)

- **SERMON**

Pr Mel Musser

Silence for reflection may follow

- * **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

➤ *Or, He descended to the dead.*

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*** PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

P: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need...

A brief silence.

Each petition will end with the words:

L: Forgiving God,

The congregation will respond with:

C: Hear our prayer.

The prayer concludes:

L: For these and other things which we need but for which we do not yet know how to pray, we ask you, O Lord, in your infinite wisdom and mercy, in the name of Jesus our savior,

C: Amen.

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE**

(The Sharing of the Peace that began when the congregation arrived is now shared with the Pastor at this time...)

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

C: And also with you.

• OFFERING

*** OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Make us ambassadors in your world, O God, and let these gifts we offer speak for us in response to your love and generosity. Join us with our brothers and sisters everywhere on earth, that all may know your mercy and care, in the name of Jesus,

C: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Communion is by Individual Serving. All the Baptized are welcome to celebrate this Holy Meal. Please open the Communion Elements only when instructed to do so.

* **DIALOGUE**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P: Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer...

... both now and forever.

C: Amen

* **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Jesus is the "tie that Binds us together", let us pray as Jesus taught...

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.

* **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P: You have built for us a kingdom—not made with hands—which waits for us in the life beyond this one. Until we make our home in that place, we come together as your children to be nourished at your holy table. Unite our spirits in this bread and wine and keep us strong to serve another day. Amen.

P: Please open the Ziplock baggie and take the Body of Christ given for you at this time. ... Now, please remove the lid from the wine cup. We drink from this cup which is the Blood of Christ shed for you.

P: Please dispose of the empty cups and baggies in the trash can on your way out when you're dismissed after worship.

*** POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-calls his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks-giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray together...

C: We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

• ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** SENDING BLESSING**

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord's face shine upon you and may the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

C: Amen.

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* **SENDING HYMN**

“Amazing Grace”

LBW 448



1 A - maz - ing grace!— how sweet the sound— that
2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
have al - read - y come; 'tis grace has brought me
word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to



now am found; was blind, but now I see.
grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

* **DISMISSAL**

P: Depart in Christ's Love.

C: **Seeking, welcoming, and serving all. Amen!**

Postlude

“I Will Serve Thee”

Roxanne Groff

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Lector	N/A
Acolyte	N/A
Organist	Roxanne Groff
Greeters	Dean Thompson
Parrish Nurse	PJ Musser
Custodian	Mark Groff
Secretary	Sharon Fourman
FaceBook Live Recorder	PJ Musser

Health Tips for the Week

BODY: Reduce red meat in your diet

MIND: Play cards

SPIRIT: Start a notebook of prayer concerns



Scripture readings for next Sunday, September 13th
Genesis 2:4b-7, 15-17; 3:1-8

Trinity is on the Air at FM 88.3

If you are near the Church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.

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COMMUNITY PRAYER WALK – A Community Prayer Gathering and Walk will take place September 26 from noon to 2:00 pm in Arcanum. The event will begin at Veterans Park on George Street. People of all faiths are invited to come together to pray for our families, our schools and our nation. Small groups will form to walk separately in different areas of the Village. Those choosing not to walk may stay to pray and listen to Christian music in Veterans Park. Those using licensed golf carts, motorized scooters and 3-wheel bikes are encouraged to join in this community prayer. Contact Barb Deis at 937-662-0119 for more information.



Starting Wednesday, September 9th I'll be hosting a Bible/Book club Zoom Meeting every Wednesday at 7:00 pm (*except September 16th due to Trinity Council Meeting*) at 7:00 pm. The first book we'll

be reading and discussing will be *Lutheran Questions, Lutheran Answers: Exploring Christian Faith* by Martin Marty. It's available on Amazon in paperback or Kindle format. Please order the version you prefer and read through chapter 1 before our first Zoom Meeting. We'll spend about 5 or 6 weeks on this Book and then decide where we want to go from there. I'll be sending out email and text invitations with a link if you want to join.

Pr. Mel

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This Week @ Trinity – September 6 thru September 13, 2020

Sun, September 6

- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 7:30 pm Confirmation Class on ZOOM

Wed, September 9

- 6:30 pm Christian Education Team Meeting
- 7:00 pm Trinity Bible/Book Club on ZOOM

Fri, September 11

- 3:30 pm FISH Pantry @ 400 Markwith, Greenville OH

Sun, September 13

- 10:30 am Worship Service

We're making School Kits for Lutheran World Relief!

If you don't feel like doing the shopping, Linda Baker says she loves to shop (and Tony affirms how much she loves it 😊). Linda has offered and will be happy to accept any donations. She will purchase what is most needed to make the maximum number of school kits with what donations she receives. If you're like Linda and love to shop, here's the list that goes into a kit:

- 1 - Sturdy drawstring backpack style cloth bag— approximately 14" X 17", w/shoulder straps (handmade)
- 1 - Ruler—30 cm on one side (May have inches on the other side.)
- 1 - Box of Crayons (16 or 24)
- 5 - Unsharpened Pencils w/Eraser
- 1 - Pencil Sharpener
- 1 - 2 1/2" Eraser
- 1 - Pair Blunt Scissors
- 5 - Blue or Black Ball point Pens (No GEL pens)
- 4 - 70 Sheet College or Wide ruled Notebooks



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HOLY COMMUNION TODAY



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