

ELM GROVE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH
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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 12, 2021 – 8:00 a.m.

Matins



*My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior Divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
Take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine!*

*May Thy rich grace impart
Strength to my fainting heart;
My zeal inspire!
As Thou has died for me,
Oh, may my love to Thee
Pure, warm, and changeless be,
A living fire!*

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Christ Sits at God's Right Hand – Gordon Young

Opening Hymn

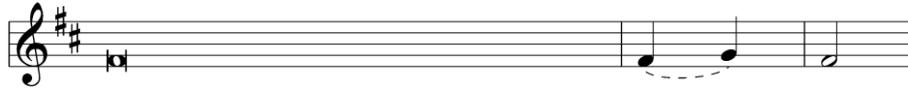
564 Christ Sits at God's Right Hand (Organ only stanzas 2 & 5)

STAND

L O Lord, o - pen my lips,
C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;
C make haste to help me, O Lord.
C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.
Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.



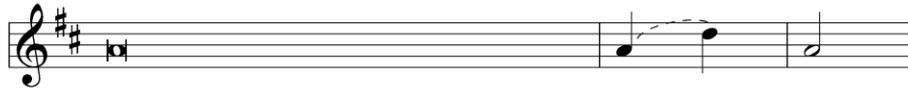
- C** 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
- 2 For the Lord is a great God
- 3 The sea is His, for He made it,

- 5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

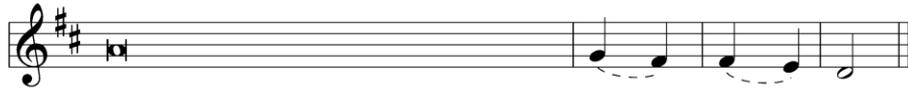


- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
- 2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
- 3 and His hand formed the dry land.

- 5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
- 2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
- 3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
- 4 For He is our God,
- 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
- 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
- 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
- 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
- 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon



- L** Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.



- C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Psalm

Psalm 116:1–9

- P I love the LORD, because he has heard
- C my voice and my pleas for mercy.**
- P Because he inclined his ear to me,
- C therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**
- P The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
- C I suffered distress and anguish.**
- P Then I called on the name of the LORD:
- C "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"**
- P Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
- C our God is merciful.**
- P The LORD preserves the simple;
- C when I was brought low, he saved me.**
- P Return, O my soul, to your rest;
- C for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**

P For you have delivered my soul from death,
C my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;

P I will walk before the LORD

C in the land of the living.

ALL 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.

SIT

Office Hymn

545 Word of God, Come Down on Earth

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4–10

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. ⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. ¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

James 3:1–12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

STAND

Holy Gospel

Mark 9:14–29

¹⁴When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. ¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and

into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”²³And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.”²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!”²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.”²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.”²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”²⁹And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Responsory

LSB 221



L 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.



C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Sermon

“Sola Fide!” (Mark 9:24)

STAND

Canticle

941 We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

SIT

Offering

Word of God, Come Down on Earth – Paul O. Manz

(After the offering please pass your attendance card toward the center aisle to be collected by an usher.)

STAND

Kyrie

LSB 227

**C Lord, have mercy;
 Christ, have mercy;
 Lord, have mercy.**

Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

Collect of the Day

L Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Various Collects

Collect for Grace

L Shed Your Holy Spirit upon Your people, O Lord, and make ready our hearts this day to hear and keep Your holy Word that in the communion of Your congregation we may rightly sanctify Your holy day and through Your Word with all Your saints come to eternal blessedness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Benedicamus

LSB 228

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 228

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

C Amen.

Closing Hymn

875 Father, We Praise Thee

Postlude

Christ Sits at God's Right Hand – Robert A. Hobby

ALTAR PARAMENTS: The green paraments of the Pentecost season prompt us to remember that our life in Christ is one of growth, as branches connected to the Vine produce good fruit.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Placed by Ruth Lawonn in memory of her husband Gerald.

CREDENCE TABLE FLOWERS: Placed by the Stroh family with thanksgiving.

Participants

Preacher
Liturgist
Organist
Elder
Chancel Assistant
Usher Team on duty

Pastor Eric Skovgaard
Pastor Aaron Reseburg
Richard C. Ewert
Ron Harmeyer
Justin Speck
Andrew Alles, Ella Donath, Matthew Ewert, Sam Ewert,
Kylie Kruck, Tyler Ky, Lizzie Ky, Diane Olson, Jim Olson

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Elm Grove Evangelical Lutheran Church Calendar

S	8:00 a.m. Worship (Matins) 9:15 a.m. Bible Study – Hebrews (Nave) 9:15 a.m. Key to Life (228) 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (various rooms) 10:45 a.m. Worship – (DS4) 7:30 p.m. AA Mtg (CLC)
M	3:00 p.m. Piano Lesson (MC) 5:00 p.m. Public School Confirmation (228) 7:00 p.m. Ganswindt Barbershop Rental (FH)
T	10:00 a.m. Women’s Bible Study (BAAC) 6:30 p.m. BOCE (228)
W	10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (BAAC) 1:00 p.m. Sheepshead Players (BAAC) 7:00 p.m. Exultate Singers (MC)
TH	9:00 a.m. Library Committee (FL) 6:30 p.m. Worship

OFFICE HOURS
The offices are open Mondays-
Fridays, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

SERVICE SCHEDULE
Thursday, Sept. 16, 6:30 p.m. (DS4),
Sunday, Sept. 19, 8:00 a.m. (DS4) & 10:45 a.m.
(SOPP) "Servant of All" (Mark 9:30-37) – Pastor
Reseburg, Preacher

Key:
CLC – Christian Life Center
FH – Fellowship Hall
BAAC – Bartelt Adult Activity Center
MC – Music Center
FL – Friendship Library

IN THE LORD’S HOUSE: 207 attended services last Thursday and Sunday in person. **102** households streamed the service for a total of **309**. "Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!"

NEED TO COME INTO THE BUILDING? We are asking that everyone, even if you have a key, who needs to come into the building during school hours, please enter through the Church/School office doors to receive a visitor pass from Mrs. Stroh or Ms. Brown. It is important that we know who is in the building. We understand that this may be an inconvenience however we appreciate everyone’s cooperation. Thank you!!

NOTICE SOMETHING? If you see something that needs attention (i.e. a leak, something that needs to be cleaned or fixed) please make sure to let the Church Office know. Thank you so much!

VOTERS’ ASSEMBLY will be on September 20 at 7:00 p.m.

BOOKS IN THE CHURCH LOBBY: Please help yourselves to books that you and your family can use. Teachers went through their classrooms at the end of the school year and these are books that they had duplicates of and/or didn’t need any longer. They would like to share them with you.

PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS: Pastor Reseburg is looking to connect with your college students. Please email Pastor Reseburg (areseburg@eql.org) with your students mailing address and email address.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: For the September 16, 2021, meeting of the book discussion group, please read THE SHIP OF BRIDES by Jojo Moyes. We meet in the Bartelt Center at 9:30 AM. New members always welcome. Call Anne 262-691-9642 with questions.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will start on September 12 between services. Pastor Skovgaard will be leading a Key to Life class in Room 228 and Pastor Reseburg will be leading a study on Hebrews in the Nave.

RED HATS will meet on September 16 at Olive Garden. We meet at 11:30 a.m. Please RSVP to Arlene Malnar by the 15th to 262-781-0086.

LWML will be packing Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes again to be given to children in need worldwide. Along with a booklet telling of Jesus’ life and ministry, new school supplies, hygiene items and small toys are sent. You can help by purchasing Crayola crayons (24 count), pencils, markers, pens, erasers, notebooks, etc and placing them in the LWML box near the blue door entrance. Thank you for your help, now, and in the past! Questions? Call Jean Kruse (262-786-4520) or Carole Braun (262-781-1494).

LWML: The group will meet on Monday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Friendship Library. We welcome all ladies of our congregation to join us.

VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for volunteers to pick up hot lunches from Revere's in Delafield on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and deliver them to the school those days by 11:15 a.m. The

kids would really appreciate it! Thank you in advance! We will have a sign-up sheet if you would only like to do a few days here and there. Any day you choose will help us! If you or someone that you know would be interested, please contact me at sbrown@egl.org.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME RECEPTION: Join us in welcoming new members at a reception on Sunday, September 19th. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall between the services and enjoy coffee, juice, and light snacks. Children may grab snacks and head to Sunday School, while adults enjoy an extended fellowship time before Bible Class.

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: EGL is updating their pictorial directory. For 3 weeks (Sept. 19, 26, & Oct. 3) a photo station will be set up in the West Fellowship Hall between the services. Stop by, update your directory information, and have your picture taken. *If you are unable to get the family together, or make it in during those weeks, check the October Seasons for details on submitting a photo.

32ND ANNUAL MILWAUKEE AREA LIFECHAIN: Sunday, October 3, 2:00-3:30 p.m. Please join your fellow EGL members as we prayerfully stand in support of the unborn. Young and old alike can participate by standing or sitting and holding the now familiar signs-- Abortion Kills Children, Jesus Forgives and Heals and Abortion Hurts Women. Our location is the northwest corner of Bluemound and Pilgrim. Meet in the North Shore Bank parking lot at 1:50 p.m. Signs will be provided. Please pray for the babies and their families, the LifeChain organizers, all who will stand in the LifeChain and those who will witness it. And finally, please pray for God's mercy on our land. Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter. If you say, "But we knew nothing about this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not repay each person according to what he has done? Proverbs 24:11-12 Please contact Sue Schmalzer, 414-313-3888 with questions.

HURRICANE IDA: We have all seen the images of destruction and disruption from the Gulf Coast due to Hurricane Ida. As the new Executive Assistant to the President for Mission and Mercy, I am learning about the ways we have available to us as a District, individual congregations and individual stewards to respond in an organized manner to assist in the care of our neighbors to the south. Here are the best ways that you can respond: If you would like to make a monetary contribution to the recovery effort: <https://www.lcms.org/givenow/disaster>. If you would like to volunteer your time and efforts: <https://www.lcms-lert.org/> - Rev. Nathan Meador

FLU VACCINE CLINIC is again being offered Oct 10 between services in the Fellowship Hall. This is the normal influenza vaccine and will not offer protection from COVID-19. However, it is still very important to vaccinate in order to stay as healthy as possible during the cold and flu season! Please let JoAnn

Randall or Martha D'Agostino know if you will be there. Let us know if you have any questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Through Jacob's family, God brought forth the Savior, Jesus Christ, who endured lies, deception, and the sin of mankind to work our salvation on the cross. Gen. 29:1-30:24

5-8 GRADE YOUTH EVENT AT CUW: Save the date, Saturday, Sept 25, from 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Here's a free, yet great opportunity for our young people to wrestle with some of the challenges that our culture is throwing at them. This Servants of Christ Conference -- at Concordia University Wisconsin -- will ground youth in the grace of their baptism, teach them about the doctrine of vocation, give them information about college and careers, and allow them to take part in breakaway sessions led by CUW professors and other guest speakers. These sessions are designed to strengthen their faith and help them to live as servants of Christ in our challenging world. Lunch will be provided at no cost. Registration material will be made available soon. Ask either one of your pastors for additional information.

EDUCATION & EDIFICATION: This week listen to an Issues Etc. podcast on one of the following topics: Union with Christ; The Theology of Worship; The Movies "Old" and "Pig;" Old Testament Prophet Ezekiel and more. Grow in your appreciation for how theology (what we believe) affects every aspect of our lives. (www.issuesetc.org)

SERVICES AVAILABLE on YOUTUBE: Because of the efforts of many people, the Sunday services are available on YouTube on Sunday mornings starting at 8:00 a.m. The service folders for each service are available online at www.egl.org in order for you to follow and participate.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR and remember these members of EGL who are confined to bed or to their homes. Addresses and telephone #'s are in the church directory.

Bob Brockman Jane Deisinger
Leona Dober Carl Egloff

Remember those serving in the Armed Forces:

Rebecca (Burhop) Butler – Hawaii
Katherine Leaf – Middle East
Alex Ohde – USS Key West, Guam
Jacob Stolte - Okinawa
Joshua Tesch – Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina

FINANCIAL UPDATE – JULY 2021

WE THANK YOU AND PRAISE OUR LORD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS AND PRAY FOR FAITHFULNESS FROM EACH STEWARD OF HIS GIFTS.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED IN JULY	\$55,795
OFFERINGS ANTICIPATED IN JULY	\$68,057