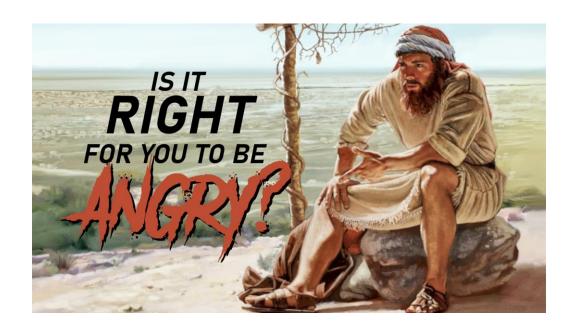


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The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20 & 21, 2020

LIGHT OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship: Sundays at 10:30 am
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Welcome

Do I have any right to be angry when God shows grace and mercy? Not at all. The Lord doesn't give us what we deserve, and that's called mercy. In fact, he gives us what we don't deserve, and that's called grace, grace which moved him to be perfect in our place and to suffer and die to pay our debt of sin. Our God is inconceivably gracious and merciful.

Visitors

We are so thankful that you joined us for worship! We would be thrilled to share more about what we teach, preach, and believe with you. Please leave your contact information with Pastor Klein or fill out our <u>online guestbook</u> on our church website. If there is any other way that we can serve you, please let us know. God bless your worship!

Information

Restrooms are located on your right as you exit the back of the sanctuary.

The **Fellowship Hall** is located to the left of the sanctuary.

A **Playroom** & **Nursery** are available for small children, located to your right as you exit the back of the sanctuary, near the entrance to the Ladies' Restroom.

Hand Sanitizer is located in the entry way of church.

Prayer Requests can be made by filling out the prayer request book as you enter church or by speaking with the pastor.

Serving in Worship

Ushers: 8:00 am Gary T; 10:30 am Larry C & Joe K

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am Tyler J; 10:30 am Eric M; 7:00 pm Andy H

Worship Leader: Pastor Jon Klein



Light of the Valley is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS).

Precautionary Measures in Worship for COVID-19

Masks

The wearing of masks at church is encouraged. We have free masks on the table in the front entry way for you to use and take home.

Worship Folders & Children's Bulletins

The worship folders are placed on the chairs in the sanctuary prior to each worship service. Please take them home or put them in a blue recycling bin at the end of worship. At this time, we are offering children's bulletins only for download on our website.

Communion

We will distribute communion in a "continuous flow" style. When the usher directs you, move down the center aisle to the front of the sanctuary to the line of tape closest to the baptismal font on your side. The communion assistant will place the bread (Jesus' body) in your outstretched hand. Then proceed to the pastor to receive the wine (Jesus' blood). He will hand you the individual cup, holding it from the top. Please take it from the bottom. Once finished, proceed to the side aisle, depositing your individual cup in the basket provided. At the end of the distribution of the Lord's Supper, Pastor will bless the entire congregation after covering the elements (the bread and wine).

Ushers

They will provide you additional worship folders as needed and usher you up for communion one row at a time.

Sanitization

Volunteers are needed to sanitize all of the high contact areas in church after each worship service. Please help when and where you can.

Fellowship Food & Drink

We are looking into how to best and safely add food fellowship back into our gatherings. For now, you can get hot and cold water from the water dispenser in the lobby entryway.

Entrance & Exit

We will continue to prop the front doors open before and after every service. The side doors to the parking lot will be propped open after each service to avoid bottlenecking.



Order of Worship

In our worship, God comes to us in his Word and his Sacraments, and we respond with our praise and thanksgiving to him. All are welcome to participate as indicated. The parts marked \mathbf{M} are spoken or sung by the minister, and the parts marked \mathbf{C} are spoken or sung by everyone in the congregation.

Invocation

In our worship, God comes to us in his Word and his Sacraments, and we respond with our praise and thanksgiving to him. As we begin, we ask for God to come and guide our worship and be with us.

STAND

M: In the name of God the Father:

C: Praise to our creating God!

M: In the name of God the Son (†):

C: Praise to our Redeemer, Jesus Christ!

M: In the name of God the Holy Spirit:

C: Praise to our renewing, faith-giving God. Amen!

Prayer and Praise

As we come before God, we praise him for all the wondrous things he does for us.

M: Lord of heaven and earth, you made all things beautiful. You have provided mighty forests and majestic mountains. You have arranged the orderly procession of day and night for our work and rest.

- C: We thank you for the morning mist and the blazing sunset, for all the joys of nature in this part of your world.
- M: Thank you for our cities and our countryside, for farms and factories, for streets and highways, and for all of life that flows so swiftly before us.
- C: We thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ, for his coming to us in Word and sacraments, for his giving and forgiving, and for accepting our worship and praise.

Prayer of the Day

M: God of mercy, like the vineyard owner, your grace is extravagant and unexpected. Lead us to repentance and the reliance of your mercy, that we may witness to your unmerited compassion which treats us all not as we deserve to be treated; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

The Word of God

This section is the heart and high point of our service. What follows is not the uncertain word of untrustworthy human beings. It is the Word of God that has called us to faith and strengthens our faith in Jesus as our Savior from sin, death, and the devil.

First Bible Reading: Jonah 3:10-4:11

¹⁰When God saw their actions, that they had turned from their evil way, God relented from the disaster which he said he would bring on them, and he did not carry it out.

But to Jonah all this seemed very bad, and he became very angry. ²He prayed to the LORD, "LORD, wasn't this exactly what I said when I was still in my own country? That is why I previously fled to Tarshish, because I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger and abounding in mercy, and you relent from sending disaster. ³So now, LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live."

⁴But the LORD replied, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

⁵Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city. He made a shelter for himself there and sat in the shade under it, waiting to see what would happen in the city.

⁶Then the LORD God provided a plant and made it grow up over Jonah to provide shade over his head, to relieve him from his discomfort. So Jonah was very happy about the plant. ⁷But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, and it attacked the plant so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind. The sun beat down on Jonah's head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, so he said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

⁹But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?" Jonah said, "I do have a right to be angry—angry enough to die!"

¹⁰So the LORD said, "You have been concerned about this plant. You did not work for it or make it grow. It grew up in one night and perished after one night. ¹¹So should I not be concerned for Nineveh, the great city, in which there are more than one hundred twenty thousand people who do not know the difference between their right hand and their left—and also many animals?"

Second Bible Reading: Romans 9:6-16

⁶This does not mean that God's word has failed, because not all who are descended from Israel are really Israel, ⁷and not all who are descended from Abraham are really his children. On the contrary, "Your line of descent will be traced through Isaac." ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are God's children, but it is the children of the promise who are counted as his descendants. ⁹For this is what the promise said: "I will arrive at this set time, and Sarah will have a son."

¹⁰Not only that, but Rebekah also had children by one man, our forefather, Isaac. ¹¹Even before the twins were born or did anything good or bad, in order that God's purpose in election might continue—¹²not by works but because of him who calls us—it was said to her, "The older will serve the younger." ¹³Just as it is written: "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

¹⁴What will we say then? Does this mean that God is unjust? Absolutely not! ¹⁵For God says to Moses: I will show mercy to whom I show mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.

¹⁶So then, it does not depend on human desire or effort, but on God's mercy.

STAND

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

"Indeed the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing to pay the workers a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³He also went out about the third hour and saw others standing unemployed in the marketplace. ⁴To these he said, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will give you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour and did the same thing. ⁶When he went out about the eleventh hour, he found others standing unemployed. He said to them, 'Why have you stood here all day unemployed?'

⁷"They said to him, 'Because no one hired us.'

"He told them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When it was evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last group and ending with the first.'

⁹"When those who were hired around the eleventh hour came, they each received a denarius. ¹⁰When those who were hired first came, they thought they would receive more. But they each received a denarius too. ¹¹After they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner: ¹²'Those who were last worked one hour, and you made them equal to us who have endured the burden of the day and the scorching heat!'

¹³"But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not make an agreement with me for a denarius? ¹⁴Take what is yours and go. I want to give to the last one hired the same as I also gave to you. ¹⁵Can't I do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶In the same way, the last will be first, and the first, last."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Alleluia! Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ. Alleluia!



Confession of Faith: The Apostle's Creed

The Creed is a summary of the Christian faith and a confession of the whole Christian Church on earth concerning the teachings of Scripture and especially of the person of Jesus Christ. Believers join their voices with one another and the whole Christian Church on earth to confess God's truth.

All:I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

BE SEATED

Hymn of the Day: CW 493 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive



Sermon

The sermon, for the most part, is a one-sided conversation from the pastor meant to apply God's Word to your life. In order to help with this application, consider these questions during or after the sermon.

- 1) What makes me angry? Do I have any right to be angry about that?
- 2) Why do I not have any right to be angry about God showing grace and mercy?

Thank Offering to God

The offering is an opportunity for us to return thanks to God. Prompted by the forgiveness of sins given to us through our crucified and risen Savior, Jesus Christ, we give of our time, talents, and treasures, which also support the Gospel ministry done at Light of the Valley. You can place your offering in the offering plates on a stool outside the doors to the sanctuary. You can also set up electronic giving with GivePlus from Vanco, which you can find on our website (www.lotvlayton.org) under the "Worship" tab or download it from any app store and start using it today. Another way is to "Give By Text" by texting to 833-946-1361 the amount you wish to donate, using the \$ before the amount; then follow the instructions in the reply text. If you encounter any problems, contact our Financial Secretary, Ben Heidfeld (435-740-0643; finsec@lotvlayton.org).

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Encouragement in Faith

As brothers and sisters united in our faith in Jesus Christ as our Savior, we encourage one another with these words from Jude 20-21.

M: Build yourselves up in your most holy faith;

C: pray in the Holy Spirit.

M: Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait

C: for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you eternal life.

Confession of Sins

In the confession of sins, we acknowledge our sins and ask God to forgive them. The absolution gives and assures us that we are forgiven by the substitutionary life and death of Jesus Christ.

M: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

C: Gracious God, have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

M: The almighty and merciful Lord Jesus Christ (†) grants you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins.

C: O Lord, my God, I called to you for help, and you answered me. I thank you for the love you have shown me in Jesus Christ, my Savior. Through him you have rescued me from the guilt of my sin and given me the peace of forgiveness. Help me fight against temptation, correct whatever wrongs I can, and serve you and those around me with love and good works. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.



Prayer of the Church

The Lord invites our prayers and asks that Christians pray for many people and circumstances. He promises to listen to them and respond according to his will in a way that is best for us. With that in mind, we approach our God with confidence and faith in him and his promises. You can request prayers by filling out the prayer request sheet as you come into church or by speaking to Pastor Klein.

Lord's Prayer

The following prayer is what Jesus himself taught his disciples. (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

All: 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 Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever

C: Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory. I give you thanks for you have become my salvation!

Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us and grant us your peace. Amen.

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Distribution



On the basis of what God's Word says, the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in beliefs. Therefore, we kindly ask that only confirmed members of Light of the Valley and of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod partake of Holy Communion. We encourage those who would like to receive Holy Communion with us to speak with the Pastor before doing so.

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Post Communion Prayer

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

As we close our worship service, we leave with direct blessings from our Lord and God, using the words that God gave to Aaron the High Priest to bless the Israelites (Numbers 6:22-27).

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

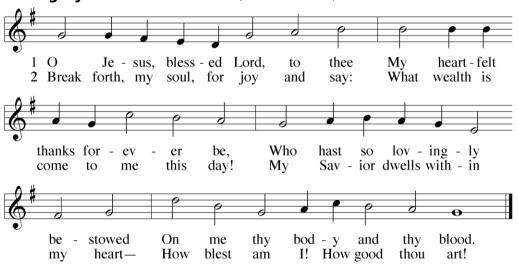
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CW 316 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



Take a moment to reflect on today's message, one of the Bible readings, or on a hymn during the service. Following the announcements, please dismiss yourself by rows. For those who volunteered to sanitize, please meet in the kitchen. Pastor will greet you outside the front doors. Have a blessed week!

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Announcements

Pastors' Conference Meal Donations

September 29-30, we are hosting the Western Conference of Pastors for the Nebraska District. Due to COVID-19, we have to take special sanitary precautions in serving them food while they are here. Contact Brenda Kidd (sahrow@yahoo.com; 801-663-0015) for specific donation requests.

COVID-19 Quarantining Protocol Change

Reflecting on our quarantine shut-down in August, the Church Council realized that not every coronavirus-related situation will be the same and therefore will not necessarily require the same actions. Going forward, when Pastor learns that a member or attendee of our church tests positive, the Council will meet as soon as possible to discuss the risk level and appropriate reaction to it. After a decision is reached, it will be communicated to you. If you have questions, please talk with Pastor Klein or Allan Emery (801-645-5488; president@lotvlayton.org), our Congregational President.

Exodus Bible Study

We are studying *Exodus* Sundays at 9:15 am. You can join in person at church or via Google Meet (<u>meet.google.com/pqv-rkqb-zjo</u>). These study sessions are uploaded on our Youtube channel and Facebook page afterwards.

Kids' Bible Study In-Person

Kids' in-person Bible study (Sunday School) for all ages has resumed Sundays at 9:15 am. Contact Wendy Klein (wmk1029@gmail.com) for details. If you wish to learn from home, Northwestern Publishing House is producing video lessons by WELS teachers at: www.youtube.com/c/NorthwesternPublishingHouseMilwaukee/videos

Lutheran Recovery Group

On Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm, we have a recovery support group meet to strengthen and encourage each other through God's Word. Contact Faith York (920-691-2332; gizmo619@sbcqlobal.net) to join these meetings in-person or online.

This Week at LOTV

Sunday, September 20	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion Bible Study for All Ages Worship w/ Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	Outreach Meeting
Monday, September 21	7:00 pm	Worship w/ Holy Communion
Tuesday, September 22	7:00 pm	Lutheran Recovery Group
Thursday, September 24	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
Sunday, September 27	8:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Bible Study for All Ages
	10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion