



**CLC Weekly Update - In-Person Worship
August 6th at 9:30AM**

WORSHIP WITH US

10th Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5

Psalm Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Pastor Erin Evans preaching

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MATTHEW 14:20



In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry. ~

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Welcome Sarah!

CLC has a new Church Secretary!

Mom of four, Sarah Bowers is a lifelong resident of the community. You may know her dad, Jim, and sister, Jaime, from Hahn Funeral Home. Sarah will be managing the church office part-time with open hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-12pm.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes will begin on September 10th, Sunday mornings at 8:30.

Young persons in grades 7-9 meet together with Lennie Jansen and Pastor Erin to cover Small Catechism teachings and prepare to affirm their faith over the course of two years. If your young person has not yet been confirmed and desires to do so, please speak with Lennie or Pastor Erin about the class.



Welcome to Winnie Carol Davis, who is baptized today!

Winnie is the daughter of Todd and Ellie Davis, little sister of Brooks and Will, and granddaughter of Glenn and Donna Davis and Rick and Sue Calfo.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT



Following worship on
Sunday August 13th,
we'll be making Birthday
Bags to distribute at the
food pantry!

Please join us!

In case of emergency....



Did you know we have an emergency
defibrillator? It's on the wall, near the office
and food pantry check-in table.

Did you know we have Narcan available? With
the first aid kits in the narthex and in the office
too!



Donations are
requested for

- ❖ Spaghetti and
spaghetti sauce.
- ❖ Pancake mix and
pancake syrup.

The Food Pantry is Open

Mondays and Fridays from
9:30am to 11:30am,
and on Wednesdays from
5pm to 7pm.

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“Ask The Pastor”

NEW QUESTION and ANSWER!

Submit an anonymous question in the offering plate, and you might get your question answered in the Weekly Update! Have a Bible question? A Church question? A burning query about what the number of candles means and why? *Ask away!*

You asked, I'll answer!

Question: What does Kyrie Eleison mean? Is there a reason we don't sing it all year long?

Answer: It means Lord, have mercy, and yes! It comes to the Western church from the Eastern orthodox church somewhere between the 4th and 6th centuries. It was originally part of the long entrance rite for special services. It takes a long time to get all the priests and deacons and everybody in the door! Now it has come to be a part of the introductory prayers, along with an apostolic greeting (The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all...) and the Hymn of Praise (This is the Feast OR Glory to God).

As far as when to sing and when not to sing those parts, there are suggested orders and rules about all that. The kyrie is a more penitential piece of liturgy - asking for mercy, so it would be used during penitential seasons and omitted during others. However, the tone and tune of our current Kyrie from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal, is a more upbeat and lively prayer for God's mercy, so we're using it for the summer, and not just saving for seasons like Lent.

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When it comes to rules like this, its good to know them - and the reason for them and the tradition behind it. But using the Kyrie in a service is a "may" rubric - as in, The Kyrie MAY be sung. One of Martin Luther's sticking points in his criticism of practices in the Church is that traditions and "may" rubrics have the potential to turn into something else entirely.

In the Augsburg Confession, Martin Luther and Philip Melancthon sought to not only put forth their reformation ideals, but to also show their orthodoxy and where they were in unity with the rest of the Church. From the Article Concerning the Church *"The Church is the congregation of saints, in which the Gospel is rightly taught and the Sacraments are rightly administered. And to the true unity of the Church it is enough to agree concerning the doctrine of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments. Nor is it necessary that human traditions, that is, rites or ceremonies, instituted by men, should be everywhere alike."*

The liturgy of the church is a gift to be used and honored! Thanks for your insightful question!

Pastor Erin



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The Problem with Numbers

So much attention to numbers! Five. Two. Twelve. Five thousand. And far more than five thousand when the women and children are included in the count (almost as if it's a census-taker's afterthought). But who, really, was doing the counting? And why? Was there a crew in that deserted place tallying attendance like ushering teams who survey church pews on Sunday mornings? Probably not. Yet the numbers often dominate this story, a miraculous story so significant to the evangelists that it is, unlike any other miracle, written into all four gospels.

What might be lost from this story when the numbers—how many people, so few loaves, only a couple fish, and even the counted leftovers—command our attention? The numbers apparently consumed the disciples' imaginations and produced their reaction: "Send them away."

Consider how often stories end like this: "Send them away." How quickly, even easily, numbers settle an issue and decide a story's conclusion, people's fate. But for Jesus the story is not over. Instead he says, "They need not go away" (Matthew 14:16). The numbers neither control nor tell the story. Compassion does.

And more, that is not only how the story ends; compassion is how the story begins: "When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them" (Matt. 14:14).

Rather than the numbers, it is the "where" of this story that is significant. We easily overlook where Jesus is doing his ministry: Ashore. In a deserted place. It is not in the religious space of the synagogue. In the religious space, Jesus' teaching so offended the congregation that, dishonored, he left unable to accomplish anything among them. Unable to make a space of compassion and care there, he goes out to where the people are. If this doesn't give us pause, we are not paying attention.

We see where Jesus is. Where is the church? ~

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Upcoming Commemorations



Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans), died 1221

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Dominic was a Spanish priest who saw the wealth of the clergy as a stumbling block for the church, so he formed a movement, the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) devoted to itinerant preaching and living in poverty.

Lawrence, deacon, martyr, died 258

Thursday, August 10, 2023

As one of the seven deacons of the church at Rome, Lawrence was responsible for the church's financial matters and for the care of the poor. Asked by the emperor to gather the church's treasure, he presented a collection of orphans, lepers, and the like. The enraged emperor had him put to death.



Clare, Abbess of San Damiano, died 1253

Friday, August 11, 2023

A contemporary of Francis of Assisi, Clare and a growing number of companions established a women's Franciscan community, called the Order of Poor Ladies, or Poor Clares. She inspired other women to pursue spiritual goals.

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Refrigerator Art

Check out our "mini fridge" bulletin board in the narthex, and add your art!

Tiny coloring pages available in the Playground in the side aisle.



I wish to thank everyone for showing their support and offering their prayers for the time I have been laid up! They have been most appreciated and welcomed.

Thanks to all!
Joe Imhoff

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The Problem with Numbers: Loaves and Fishes_SundaysandSeasons

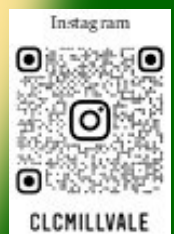
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