

Faith Lutheran Church LCMC

Hutchinson, MN
July 31, 2022 ~ 10:10 a.m.
Library Square
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Season Color: Green

Gathering Music “How Great Is Our God”

**The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty. Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice. And trembles at His voice.**

***Chorus:* How great is our God, Sing with me: How great is our God.
And all will see how great, how great is our God.**

**And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands. Beginning and the End,
Beginning and the End. The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son,
The Lion and the Lamb. The Lion and the Lamb. *Chorus***

Name above all names. Worthy of all praise.

My heart will sing How great is our God. *Chorus*

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“Our God”

**Water You turned into wine, Opened the eyes of the blind.
There's no one like You, None like You.**

**Into the darkness You shine, Out of the ashes we rise.
There's no one like You. None like You.**

***Chorus:* Our God is greater, Our God is stronger. God You are higher than
any other. Our God is healer, Awesome in power our God our God.**

**And if our God is for us then who could ever stop us? And if our God is
with us then what could stand against. *Repeat***

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Greeting/Announcements

Song “Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”

**Praise is rising. Eyes are turning to You. We turn to You.
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You. We long for You
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away. Washed away.**

***Chorus:* Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us.
Worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, hosanna,
Come have Your way among us. We welcome You here Lord Jesus.**

**Hear the sound of hearts returning to You. We turn to You
In Your kingdom. Broken lives are made new. You make us new
'Cause when we see You we find strength to face the day.
In Your presence all our fears are washed away. Washed away. *Chorus***

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Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name, Amen.

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a fellow member of the priesthood of all believers and by the authority of Jesus Christ I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Song “Your Glory (Nothing But the Blood)”

**My life is Yours And my hope is in You only
And my heart You hold 'Cause You made this sinner holy. And holy, holy.**

**Chorus: 'Cause your glory is so beautiful I fall onto my knees in awe
And the heartbeat of my life is to worship in your light 'Cause your glory is so beautiful. 'Cause your glory is so beautiful.**

Glory, glory hallelujah, Jesus you are good (repeat)

**What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
O precious is the flow, that makes me white as snow.
No other fount I know. Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

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Prayer of the Day

Lord God of our salvation, it is your will that all people might come to you through your Son Jesus Christ. Increase the faith and energy of your Church to desire and work for the salvation of all people, that they might be freed from sin and that hope be renewed in many hearts, to the increase of the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 13:1-3, 13-16, 23b, 26-33a, 44-50 and 14:8-20

13Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers... ²While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” ³Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.

¹³Then Paul and his companions...came to Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. ¹⁵After the reading of the law and the prophets, the officials of the synagogue sent them a message, saying, “Brothers, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, give it.” ¹⁶So Paul stood up and with a gesture began to speak: “You Israelites, and others who fear God, listen. ²³...God has brought to Israel a Savior, Jesus, as he promised ...

²⁶My brothers, you descendants of Abraham’s family, and others who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent. ²⁷Because the residents of Jerusalem and their leaders did not recognize him or understand the words of the prophets that are read every sabbath, they fulfilled those words by condemning him. ²⁸Even though they found no cause for a sentence of death, they asked Pilate to have him killed. ²⁹When they had carried out everything that was written

about him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. ³⁰But God raised him from the dead; ³¹and for many days he appeared to those who came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, and they are now his witnesses to the people. ³²And we bring you the good news that what God promised to our ancestors ³³he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising Jesus...”

⁴⁴The next sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. ⁴⁵But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy; and blaspheming, they contradicted what was spoken by Paul. ⁴⁶Then both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, “It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken first to you. Since you reject it and judge yourselves to be unworthy of eternal life, we are now turning to the Gentiles. ⁴⁷For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, ‘I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.’” ⁴⁸When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and praised the word of the Lord; and as many as had been destined for eternal life became believers. ⁴⁹Thus the word of the Lord spread throughout the region. ⁵⁰But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, and stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their region.

¹⁴ ⁸In Lystra there was a man sitting who could not use his feet and had never walked, for he had been crippled from birth. ⁹He listened to Paul as he was speaking. And Paul, looking at him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, ¹⁰said in a loud voice, “Stand upright on your feet.” And the man sprang up and began to walk. ¹¹When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they shouted in the Lycaonian language, “The gods have come down to us in human form!” ¹²Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates; he and the crowds wanted to offer sacrifice. ¹⁴When the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting, ¹⁵“Friends, why are you doing this? We are mortals just like you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. ¹⁶In past generations he allowed all the nations to follow their own ways; ¹⁷yet he has not left himself without a witness in doing good—giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filling you with food and your hearts with joy.” ¹⁸Even with these words, they scarcely restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them.

¹⁹But Jews came there from Antioch and Iconium and won over the crowds. Then they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing that he was dead. ²⁰But when the disciples surrounded him, he got up and went into the city. The next day he went on with Barnabas to Derbe.

Second Reading: II Corinthians 11:21-28

But whatever anyone dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they ministers of Christ? I am talking like a madman—I am a better one: with far greater labours, far more imprisonments, with countless floggings, and often near death. Five times I have received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I received a stoning. Three times I was shipwrecked; for a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from bandits, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers and sisters; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, hungry and thirsty, often without food, cold and naked. And, besides other things, I am under daily pressure because of my anxiety for all the churches.

Faith Seeds Niki Pokornowski
Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia to you alone. Lord, to whom shall we go? You alone have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, to you alone.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:5-7, 16-23

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, “The kingdom of heaven has come near.”

‘See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

Sermon “The Mystery of Election” Pastor Scott Grorud

Song "Goodness of God"

**I love You Lord. Oh, Your mercy never fails me.
All my days I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

***Chorus:* All my life You have been faithful.
All my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God.**

**I love Your voice. You have led me through the fire.
In darkest night, You are close like no other.
I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God. *Chorus***

**Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me.
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give You everything.
Your goodness is running after, It's running after me. *Repeat, Chorus***

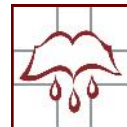
I will sing of the goodness of God.

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Service of Holy Baptism: **Wren Jo Schmidt**

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Apostles' Creed

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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Welcome for Newly Baptized

Pastor: God has made this new sister a member of the priesthood we all share in Christ Jesus. We receive her with love and rejoice with her at her entrance into our fellowship.

Congregation: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and a worker with us in the kingdom of God.

Offering "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

***Chorus:* My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.**

And like a flood His mercy reigns, unending love, amazing grace

**The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. *Chorus***

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow. The sun forbear to shine.
But God, who called me here below, will be forever mine.
Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.**

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Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Benediction

Sending Song "Take to the World"

**Go in peace to love and to serve, and let your ears ring long with what you
have heard, and may the bread on your tongue leave a trail of crumbs, to
lead the hungry back to the place that you are from.**

***Chorus:* And take to the world this love, hope and faith,. Take to the world
this rare relentless grace, and like the three in one, know you must become
what you want to save, 'Cause that's still the way, He takes to the world.**

**Go and go far, take light deep in the dark,
Believe what's true, use it all, even you,
And may the bread on your tongue leave a trail of crumbs,
To lead the hungry back to the place that you are from.**

Chorus

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“What Does This Mean?”

Questions about Today's Worship Theme: Acts 13 and 14

- † How did Paul's evangelism method change from the synagogue in Antioch-Pisidia to the public square in Lystra?
- † Why did so many Jewish people reject Paul's message about Jesus?
- † How do you hear Luke's statement that Gentiles who “had been destined for eternal life became believers”?
- † How does God destine or elect people to faith today?