

The Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

¹When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, “Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don’t know what has happened to him.” ²Aaron answered them, “Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me.” ³So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, “These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.” ⁵When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, “Tomorrow there will be a festival to the Lord.” ⁶So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry. ⁷Then the Lord said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. ⁸They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’” ⁹“I have seen these people,” the Lord said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.” ¹¹But Moses sought the favor of the Lord his God. “Lord,” he said, “why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: ‘I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.’” ¹⁴Then the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

P: This is the Word of the Lord, **C: Thanks be to God.**

2nd-6th Graders Sing: “Who You Say I Am”

Sermon: *Pastor Eric Hanson*

Hymn of the Day & Offering:

Offerings will be collected during the hymn of the day. Thank you also to those who give online. If you’d like to sign up for online giving please visit <http://www.stlukegoodhue.org/online-giving.html>. Children’s coin offering will go toward ELCA Good Gifts serving communities in need around the world.

“Turn To Me”

**Chorus: Turn to me, O turn, and be saved, says the Lord, for I am God;
there is no other, none beside me. I call your name.**

**Vs 1: I am God, who comforts you; who are you to be afraid of flesh that fades,
is made like the grass of the field, soon to wither. [Chorus]**

**Vs 2: Listen to me, my people; give ear to me, my nation:
a law will go forth from me, and my justice for a light to the people [Chorus]**

Offertory Response: “Give Thanks” (*ushers bring offerings forward*)

Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.

Give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”.

Let the poor say, “I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us”. Give thanks.

Offertory Prayer:

L: Let us pray together,

C: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Blessing of New Members:

Erin & Sam Schulte, Greg & Kris Pearson, Linda & Todd Kuyath, Kasey & Mason Wood, Mary Arens, Cory & Sara Benda, Madee Benda, Taylor, Riley, & Ellowyn, Augustine, Sandy Benda, Bill Budensiek, Cole, Carly, Gavin & Pearl Tousignant, Grace & Austin Buck, Scott, Molly, & Lance Matthees, Morgyn Gadiant, Zach, Dorothy, & Greta O’Reilly, Bailey Danielson, Cody, Erin, Marcus, Avery & Sean Buck, Nicole, Luke, Carter, & Ayden Horsman

The Baptism of Weston LeRoy Hansen, the son of Kyle & Miranda Hansen

The Prayers: (*call and response*)

Challenged by God’s Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation. *A brief silence.* God of our ancestors, we give thanks for the church in all times. May we listen for the prophets of this age who bear messages that stir the church toward renewal and justice. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Creator of every creature on earth, direct our lives toward the renewal and sustaining of cattle, birds of the air, animals of the field, and those who share our homes. Reveal the ways we can work alongside creation for the health and well-being of all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, we give thanks that you are mindful and benevolent to even us, mere mortals. Accompany us when hardness of heart gets in the way of justice between people and nations. Endow leaders with minds for justice and hearts for compassion. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Restoring Lord, grant healing and wholeness to those who are sick and suffering especially Keith Brown, Jan Benidt, Dave (Pud) Gnotke, Shawn Fredrixon, Marc Bode, Harlan Reese, Beth Carlson, Gage Miller, Alex Stehr, Maria Starr Quiggle, Perry Fitzgerald, Tanya Bakken, Lorraine Hinsch, Jeff Ferkinhoff, Betty Johnson, Jean Alms, Henry Strauss, Diane Krenke, and Steve Pabst. Work through medical professionals to diagnose, ease pain, and give life to all who seek their wisdom and experience. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Unifying God, humans were created for relationship with the earth, its creatures, and one another. Forgive us when division threatens companionship, mutual support, and unity among us. May your love inspire us to build supportive communities of faith where all are cherished. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of resurrection, you prepare a place in the kingdom through Christ’s death and resurrection. We give thanks for the saints who have taken their place at your heavenly banquet. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Sharing the Peace: P: The peace of Christ be with you always, **C: And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving:

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 & praise.**

The Words of Institution

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.

Meal and Hymns: (*you may be seated*)

All are welcome at this meal. We believe in the saving power of Jesus Christ through the gift of his life, death, and resurrection experienced in bread and wine.

Please move forward via the center aisle. Bread is received in the hands. Wine is received by dipping the bread into the wine chalice and consuming both together. All ages are welcome to commune. Those not communing may receive a blessing by simply keeping your hands folded or extending your arms over your chest in the sign of a cross inviting blessing. For those unable to consume either wine or bread, communion is received fully in either element alone, for Christ is fully present in the meal. You may return to your seats via the side aisles after communing. Gluten-free is available, simply make the server aware of your need. Also, if you cannot come forward, but wish for communion or blessing, let the usher know it will come to you at the end.

“One Bread, One Body”

**Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all; one cup of blessing which we bless,
and we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.**

Vs 1: Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. [Refrain]

Vs 2: Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. [Refrain]

"You Are Mine"

Vs :1 I will come to you in the silence, I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here.

Vs 2: I am hope for all who are hopeless, I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light. Come and rest in me.

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.

Vs 3: I am strength for all the despairing, healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and all will know my name. [Refrain]

Vs 4: I am the Word that leads all to freedom, I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain. Stand up, now walk and live! [Refrain]

Communion Prayer: *(Please stand as you are able)*

P: Let us pray together,

C: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn: *"Onward Christian Soliders"*

Vs :1 Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before.
Christ, the royal master, leads against the foe; forward into battle, see, his banners go!

Refrain: Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war, with the cross of Jesus going on before.

Vs 2: Like a mighty army moves the church of God; let us boldly follow where the saints have trod.
We are not divided; all one body we; one in hope and doctrine, one in charity. [Refrain]

Vs 3: Crowns & thrones may perish, kingdoms rise & wane, but the church of Jesus constant will remain;
gates of hell can never 'gainst the church prevail. We have Christ's own promise, & that cannot fail.
[Refrain]

Vs 4: Onward, then, you faithful, join our happy throng; blend with ours your voices in the triumph song.
Glory, laud, & honor unto Christ the king. We through countless ages with the angels sing: [Refrain]

Dismissal: P: Go in peace to love the Lord and serve your neighbor.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Welcome

We're Glad You're Here

St. Luke Lutheran Church • Pastor Eric Hanson

New Member Blessing Sunday

9:30AM • October 6, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Greeting: *(stand as you are able)*

P: The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

C: Come Holy Spirit, Come!

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing. *(Silence is kept for reflection.)*

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. Desires and pains at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of others after ourselves. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity & to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. Live in a new way in Christ Jesus.

C: Amen.

Gathering Hymn: *"Come To Me, O Weary Traveler"*

Vs 1: Come to me, O weary trav'ler; come to me with your distress;
come to me, you heavy burdened; come to me and find your rest.

Vs 2: Do not fear, my yoke is easy; do not fear, my burden's light;
do not fear the path before you; do not run from me in fright.

Vs. 3: Take my yoke and leave your troubles; take my yoke and come with me.
Take my yoke, I am beside you; take and learn humility.

Vs 4: Rest in me, O weary trav'ler; rest in me and do not fear.
Rest in me, my heart is gentle; rest and cast away your care.

Prayer of the Day: *(you may be seated)*

P: Let us pray together

C: Faithful God of an unfaithful people, The people of Israel doubted your power and turned to other gods to fulfill their needs. We too, turn to other gods, seeking acceptance, power, and independence. Show us how to live humbly in you, and walk in your ways, in the name of the one who offered true power to all humanity, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Praise for the Word: *"Precious Lord"*

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on,
let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

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