

WELCOMING WORD *Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good,

C: For God's mercy endures forever.

L: gathering them in from the lands;

C: from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

L: Let them give thanks to you, Lord, for your steadfast love

C: and your wonderful works for all people.

OPENING HYMN: #315 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vs. 1-3)

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in thee inherit; Let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, Never-more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, Glory in thy perfect love.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

C: Amen.

L: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

L: God, our provider

C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

L: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

C: Amen.

INVOCATION

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

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God,

C: of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Job 38:1-11 ¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: ²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 ¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41 ³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

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HYMN #334 *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*

Jesus, Savior, pilot me Over life’s tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll, Hiding rock and treach’rous shoal;
Chart and compass come from thee. Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child, Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boist’rous waves obey they will When thou say’st to them: “Be still.”
Wondrous sov’reign of the sea, Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore, And the fearful breakers roar
Twixt me and the peaceful rest, Then, while leaning on thy breast,
May I hear thee say to me: “Fear not, I will pilot thee.”

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER - Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest (especially). Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Breath of Life, we seek to be filled and re-filled, as our hearts, minds, and bodies feel emptied from the work of dismantling injustice. Guide us to lead from a place of love and compassion, with radical hospitality, so that Your church may be a place where people of every sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, race, culture, age, ability, or class can gather at the table together. This work is full work, and we know it is only made possible centered in your grace and support. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and elders (especially). Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

C: Amen.

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. 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 *May the blessing of God our creator, the love of Jesus Christ our redeemer, and the presence of the Holy Spirit the comforter, surround you and sustain you until we gather again. Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN: #4940 Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult (vs. 1, 4, 5)

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild, restless sea,
Day by day his clear voice sounding,
Saying, "Christian, follow me."

In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of Toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us! In your mercy,
Savior, make us hear your call,
Give our hearts to your obedience,
Serve and love you best of all.



 IN OUR 
Thoughts and Prayers

Kristin Swedlund-Twiton, Mike Mackler (friend of Char Smith),
Connie Peterson, Bonnie Bender, Ginger Quaderer (Diane Mueller's cousin),
Norbert Haag (brother of Virgil Haag), Richard Schuhler (friend of Ron &
Bonny Kellogg), Agnes Robertson (friend of Holly Thompson), Delores
Bryant, Makenzee Smith, Shirley Thompson, Brock Howe, Dianne

Haskins (friend of Char Smith), Brian Marshall (friend of Kim Kelliher), Jeannie U'Ren, Ruth Ann Nemet, Mike
Olson (Wendy Rasmussen's brother), Sally Gaard (friend of Margie Kahl), Irene Bruflat, Connie Fausett (sister of
Diane Twiton & Jean Bower), Bill Steinhauer, Harlan Oimoen, Peter Toniazzo, Grace Aavang, Helen Martinson,
Carol Johnson,

Our partner congregation IGLESIA EVANGÉLICA LUTERANA DIVINO SALVADOR (Divine Savior Lutheran Church) in Cataño, P.R

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUTDOOR WORSHIP at 9:00am next Sunday, June 27th We'll gather in the parking lot area next Sunday for worship. You can stay in your car, or bring a lawn chair – we'll set aside an area near the front for people to sit together. There will be coffee and donuts, or bring your own cool beverages. The praise team will be with us to share their talents in addition to some regular hymns. Gathering outside makes it safer to all sing together!

ELC 'COFFEE TIME' Coffee Time meets on Wednesday at 10:00am AND we meet "in person". Join us at ELC for time to gather and catch up with our church family.

STEEPLE ECHOES DEADLINE The deadline for articles for the July / August *Steeple Echoes* (we will be combining two months this summer) is **Friday, June 25th, first thing in the morning.** Thank you!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED on TUESDAY, June 29 at 9:00am to help assemble the July / August newsletter. Newcomers are welcome. The assembly process usually takes about 2 hours, but no one needs to stay for the whole time. Please, come and enjoy the fellowship.

OFFICE MANAGER JOB POSTING Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mt Horeb is seeking an office manager to perform day-to-day administrative activities in the operation of the church and be the first-line contact for congregation members as well as the public. This person should understand the mission of the church (but does not need to be a member), have excellent interpersonal skills and should be proficient in word processing, bookkeeping, data base, web maintenance and working with spreadsheet programs. They should have strong organizational skills with the ability to multi-task and ideally have a minimum of 2 years of office management, administrative support, or secretarial experience, but not required. The position includes PTO days and is somewhat flexible up to 30 hours a week. Pay will be partially determined by experience. Training will be available.

ELC T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE - We have new ELC t-shirts available for purchase. They are a dark green t-shirt with our ELC logo. \$5.00 per shirt, payable to ELC.

YOUTH NEWS

FROLIC BRAT STAND: Thank you to everyone who supported our Brat Stand during the Frolic. It was very successful. Funds raised will support our youth summer trips in 2022, ELCA Youth Gathering and Youthworks Mission Trip.

COLLEGE GRADUATES We would like to recognize our young adults who have graduated this year from college in our July/ August newsletter. Please email brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org with their name, degree, and any future plans by mid June.

2021 ELC SUMMER FUN (Save the dates)

- **VBS/DAY CAMP 2021 - JULY 12 - 15th 9:30 - 11:30 am**
(Youth ages 3 - 5th grade)
ONLINE SIGN UP LINK: <https://forms.gle/3FCz1yfrYqQEKxph6>
A time to be together outside in God's creation.
- **EXPLORER DAY AT SUGAR CREEK - July 26th, 9 am - 3 pm**
(Children entering 1st - 5th grade in fall 2021) Email Brenda to sign up.
- **CONFIRMATION CAMP AT SUGAR CREEK - July 25 - 30th,**
(7th & 8th) Register online at www.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org
- **GIVE/LOVE/SERVE (Service days) - New for 2021** - Middle - High school youth may join us on **Thursdays**, throughout the summer, to help in various local service opportunities. This provides us with helping our neighbors all summer, and allowing flexibility for our youths with their summer schedules.
REGISTER online: (Link can be emailed as well) <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4daea929a5ffc70-giveloveservice>

A poster for VBS/Day Camp at ELC. The top left features the text "HOP SKIP JUMP!" in large, colorful letters. To the right, it says "VBS/DAY CAMP at ELC" and "July 12 - 15th, 9:30 am - 11:30 am" with "(Children ages 3 yrs. - 5th grade)" below. A registration link is provided: "TO REGISTER ONLINE: <https://forms.gle/3FCz1yfrYqQEKxph6>". The contact information is "CONTACT: brenda.martin@elcmthoreb.org". At the bottom, there are logos for "EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH of Mount Horeb" and "SUGAR CREEK FRIENDS BIBLE TIME OUTDOOR".

SUGAR CREEK "BACK IN THE SADDLE" Online Registrations are now available for Sugar Creek Bible Camp Summer programs. They have a variety of programs (new & favorites) listed on their website, <http://wp.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org>, for youth and families. Come and see in 2021!



FUSE NIGHTS (in person) 9th - 12th graders are welcome to join our high school group at ELC on Tuesday, June 22nd at 7 pm at ELC.



DEVOTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

SHARE: What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

READ: Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding

Monday, Psalm 65, Thanksgiving for Earth's Bounty

Tuesday, Exodus 9:13-35, The Seventh Plague: Thunder and Hail

Wednesday, Mark 6:45-52, Jesus Walks on the Water

Thursday, Luke 1:57-67 [68-80], The Birth of John the Baptist

Friday, 2 Corinthians 8:1-7, Encouragement to Be Generous

Saturday, Lamentations 2:18-22, God's Warnings Fulfilled

TALK: Consider some of these ideas: "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Mark 4:38. Jesus was sleeping in the boat as they crossed the Sea of Galilee when a big storm engulfed them. The disciples were terrified until Jesus woke and commanded the wind and sea to be still and it became calm.

- Was there a time when you were terrified? What caused you to feel this way?
- Have you ever asked questions of 'do you not care about me' to God/Jesus/Holy Spirit when afraid?
- What realizations have you experienced after going through terrifying experiences?
- Have you ever experienced moments of calm after terrifying or chaotic experiences?

PRAY: Oh God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESS: May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.