



Live Stream via
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Twelfth Sunday in Pentecost
Second Corinthians 5:11-21
August 23, 2020

GATHERING

The Live Stream will be "on" and running as we prep for worship. As you settle into a comfy place, find something nourishing to be with you: light a candle, hold a cup of coffee, snuggle a pet or stuffed animal.

PRELUDE

GREETING

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

And also with you.

KYRIE

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**
Lord, have mer - cy:

Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **Christ, have mer - cy.**
Christ, have mer - cy:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **Lord, have mer - cy.**
Lord, have mer - cy:

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

VISUAL LITURGY

Where Can I Go?

WORD

THE READING

A reading from Second Corinthians.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commanding ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SONG

"Lord, I Feel So Far Away"

SERMON

MUSIC OFFERING

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

The response is:

Reconciling God,
Here our prayer.

PEACE VIDEO

OFFERING MOMENT

"Restore in Us, O God"

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

God, the creator, + Jesus, the Christ,
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage;
hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honor all people;
love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Serving in Worship

Pr. Jenn Collins
Shirley Bickford—Layreader
Michelle Tlusty—Soloist

Pianists

Joel Freiberg
Al Freiberg

Technical Support

Mark Clark
Patrick Kieper
Troy Radtke
Bob Wiederhoeft

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Julie Oehmichen in memory of Margaret Oehmichen.

A word about Pastoral Care

Pastor Jeff, and Pastor Justin are available for scheduled and emergent pastoral care via e-mail, phone, zoom, or facetime. Please contact them directly if you have pastoral care like pre-marital work or regular conversation to receive a link for a Zoom conversation. We are in touch with local chaplains and are learning that visits are not allowed at many facilities. Thank you for your patience as we learn a new way to minister during this time.

Pr. Justin Smoot

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Worship via Facebook Live Stream

Join us on Facebook live stream for Devotional Time at 12:15 pm on Thursdays and for worship at 9:00 am on Sundays. **You do not need a Facebook account to join in worship.** If you do have a Facebook account and "like" the Saint Andrew Facebook Page, you should receive a notification at the beginning of the live stream. These services will remain available on our Facebook page under the "videos" tab along the left side of the page. Watch whenever you can, and feel free to leave comments, prayers, or responses during the viewing.

Thank you for your offerings and continued support!

Now more than ever we are grateful for a gift of any amount you might share to further support the ministry of Saint Andrew. What you share makes a difference as we seek to be "open to all" in this time when many feel isolated. For the many ways you give, thank you. To share an offering:

- ◆ **Send a text** message to 715-800-2369 with the amount you would like to contribute. Within a few minutes you will be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and debit or credit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt of your contribution via email.
- ◆ **Mail an envelope** to church at 150202 County Road NN, Wausau WI 54401 or
- ◆ **Give online** at www.salc-wausau.org/giving.
- ◆ **Sign up for TOE** (Transfer Offering Electronically). It's as simple as giving the church office a call with your bank information.
- ◆ Give through the "**Give Plus**" app by Vanco.

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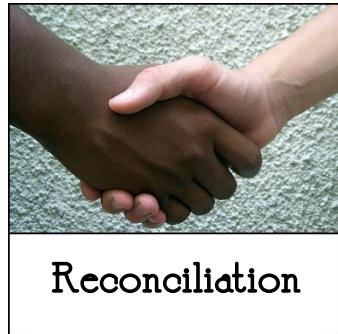
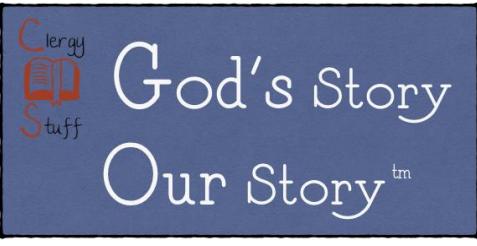
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Reconciliation

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.

Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Reconciling God, you make everything new. Show us your vision, that we might see the world as you do, loving all and serving all, for the sake of Christ. Amen.

Reflect: Reflect on the key verse from Sunday's reading.

***All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.* 2 Corinthians 5:18**

Study: Study the reading and consider the background.

Paul gives the Corinthians a reason to boast: the love of Christ! He invites them to look – and live – beyond themselves and what they once knew was possible. Everything is different now. Reconciliation with God is a game changer.

Read: Read the following daily readings to deepen your understanding of Sunday's text. After the reading, ask the follow-up questions.

Sunday, 2 Corinthians 5:11-21, *Reconciliation*

Monday, 2 Corinthians 6:1-13, *Reconciliation*

Tuesday, 2 Corinthians 6:14 – 7:1, *The Temple of the Living God*

Wednesday, 2 Corinthians 7:2-16, *Paul's Joy at the Church's Repentance*

Thursday, 2 Corinthians 8:16-24, *Commendation of Titus*

Friday, 2 Corinthians 9:1-15, *The Collection for Christians at Jerusalem*

Saturday, 2 Corinthians 10:1-18, *Paul Defends His Ministry*

What does Paul say about reconciliation?

Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household. Discuss the following questions, or simply check in with "Highs" and "Lows."

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

What kinds of social tensions exist within your community? What truths do you find in both sides? How can you be change for your community?

Tell a story of a time you were isolated or alone, and then were reconciled with people who love you.

Do: By acting on what we learn we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Consider someone who has been outcast or shunned from your community. Call them on the phone to let them know they are still loved.

Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God reconcile you with the community of God's beloved children. Amen.

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2 Cor. 5:11-21

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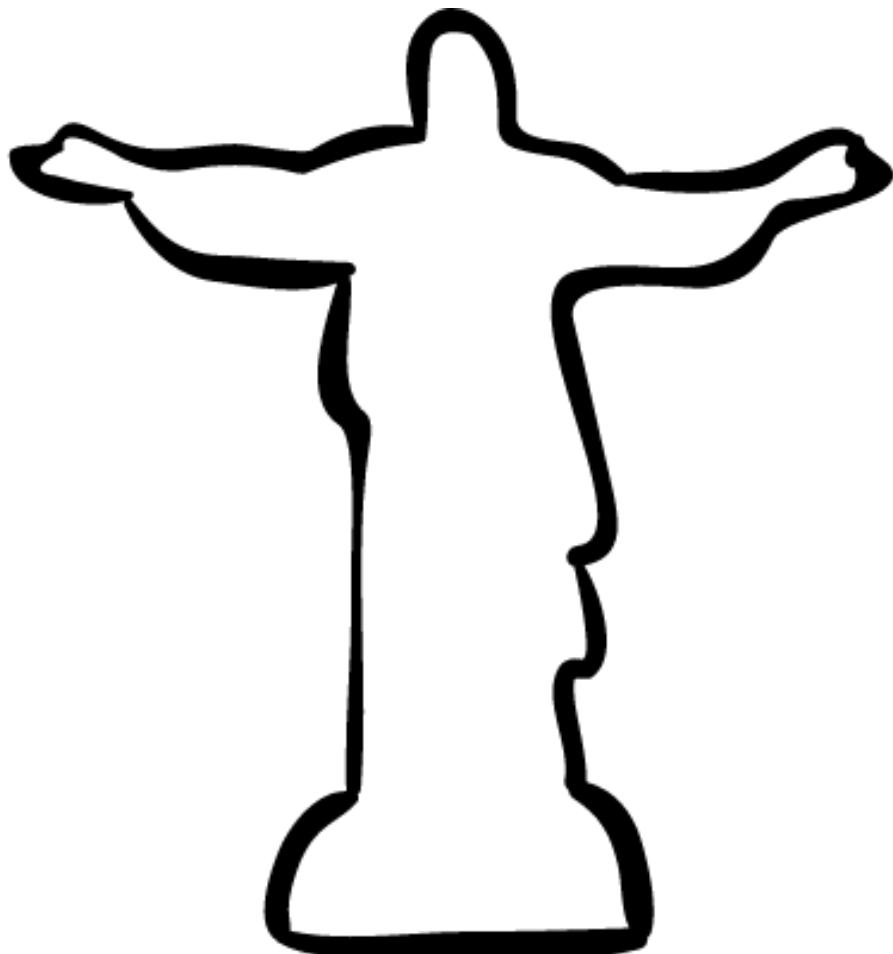
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Did you know?!

LIGHT
is a wave
that travels
thru space!

Light is an
amazing
phenomenon. It
can travel
through space!

Color the light of
Christ as beautifully as
you can draw!



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Paul is writing about Jesus' love for us and how everything looks different in the light of Jesus. The light of Jesus shows us where to go and makes everything bright and sweet—so we never need to judge people by how they look or what they wear.

Did you know that a long time ago people used to judge Jesus, too? Now we know that he has always been and always will be our beautiful Savior.

We also know that what is inside a person is what is most important. Jesus makes us new, like fresh flowers springing up from the ground after a long winter! He makes us glad, like the best surprise or the warmest hug. All of this, every bit, is just because Jesus loves us so much. Jesus loves us to the moon and far beyond ... and we get to share this with everyone. We get to tell everyone how much Jesus loves them so they can be full of joy, too. Let's all tell someone today:

Jesus. Loves. You.

Making friends with
others through Jesus'
love.



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ONLINE
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HELP! Mr. Caterpillar needs to make friends with Ms. Fish

