

Live Stream via facebook.com/salcwausau Eighth Sunday in Pentecost Second Corinthians 2:1-11 August 2, 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.

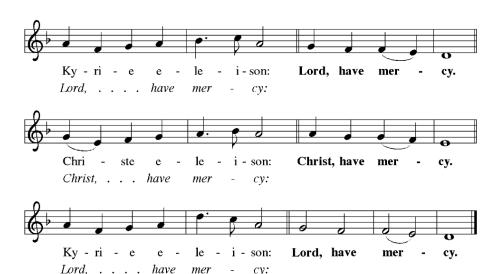
Prelude

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



PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON

VISUAL LITURGY

Where Can I Go?

WORD

THE READING

A reading from Second Corinthians.

So I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came, I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice; for I am confident about all of you, that my joy would be the joy of all of you. For I wrote you out of much distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain, but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

But if anyone has caused pain, he has caused it not to me, but to some extent—not to exaggerate it—to all of you. This purishment by the majority is enough for such a

exaggerate it—to all of you. This punishment by the majority is enough for such a person; so now instead you should forgive and console him, so that he may not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. So I urge you to reaffirm your love for him. I wrote for this reason: to test you and to know whether you are obedient in everything. Anyone whom you forgive, I also forgive. What I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, has been for your sake in the presence of Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SONG "Lord, I Feel So Far Away"

Sermon

Music Offering

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

The response is:
Gracious God,
Here our prayer.

PEACE VIDEO

OFFERING MOMENT

"Forgiveness"

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. Justin Smoot
Christina Johnson—Layreader & 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 Gin Tesch in memory of her daughter, Tammie Davis.

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.

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Worship via Facebook Live Stream

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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:

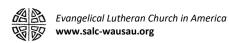
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- **Sign up for TOE** (Transfer Offering Electronically). It's as simple as giving the church office a call with your bank information.
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Christ in our Home Devotional

Christ in Our Home quarterly devotional resource encourages readers to live out their faith daily. Each reflective reading is accompanied by a daily scripture reference and prayer for the day that follows the Revised Common Lectionary. Augsburg Fortress Publishing has extended the complementary subscription for the third quarter (July-August-September). Enter "Christ In Our Home Email Subscription" in the google box to take you to the Augsburg Fortress site to sign up. Copies are also available at church in a plastic bin outside the north (Chapel) entrance. Please feel free to stop by and pick up a copy.

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Forgiveness

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

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

Gracious God, you never hold our sins against us. Create in us forgiving hearts which follow their maker's loving example, in the name of the one who first loved us. Amen.

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

Anyone whom you forgive, I also forgive. What I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, has been for your sake in the presence of Christ. 2 Corinthians 2:10

Study: Study the reading and consider the background.

Paul urges the Corinthians to forgive one who has wronged them, that they might also know freedom and live as Christ's true followers. **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 2:1-10, Forgiveness
Monday, 2 Corinthians 2:11-17, Paul's Anxiety in Troas
Tuesday, 2 Corinthians 3:1-18, Ministers of the New Covenant
Wednesday, Galatians 6:1-10, Bear One Another's Burdens
Thursday, Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2, Rules for the New Life
Friday, Philippians 2:19-30, Timothy and Epaphroditus
Saturday, Matthew 18:21-22, Forgiveness

What can you learn about forgiveness from these texts?

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 things are hard for you to forgive? How can God help?

Tell of a story of a time you did something for which you needed forgiveness. How did it turn out?

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

Consider someone with whom you currently have a broken relationship. Make a point to pray for the well-being of that person a few times each day this week. At the end of the week take note of how your relationship or your attitude toward that relationship has changed over the course of the week.

Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

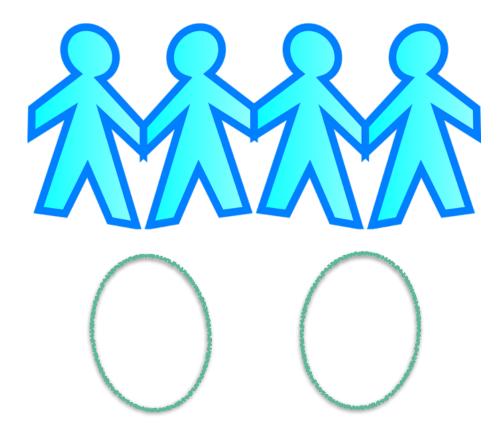
May God mend your broken relationships. Amen.

God's grace a purely a gift.

Did you know?!

Grace isn't something we earn from God. God loves and forgives us, just because!

Draw and color happy faces on the people who just found out God loves them.



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aul wrote lots of letters to lots of different churches to teach them how to follow God. Sometimes he was angry with them, but sometimes he was happy. He wrote to the Corinthians a second time to tell them the most important thing he never wanted them to forget!

Paul wanted the people to know that the most important thing is grace - God's love and forgiveness poured out over us like rain, even though we don't deserve it. No one needs to feel bad forever because of mistakes they have made. So, pitter-patter, pitter-patter, down comes God's grace and forgives everyone.

Paul wrote: we live each day loved by God, no matter what. We need to treat each other that way, too.

Remember this: forgive each other! Love each other! God's love and forgiveness is a gift we get to receive every day. Let's share that gift with everyone.

God's forgiveness and love!



Write a sentence for each of the letters you see that shows you how God cares for people

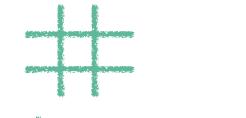
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Make Grace Placemats

Take a letter-sized piece of paper and draw a special picture on enough of them so everyone has a place at dinnertime!



How can you encourage someone when they hear bad news?

Good Question!

