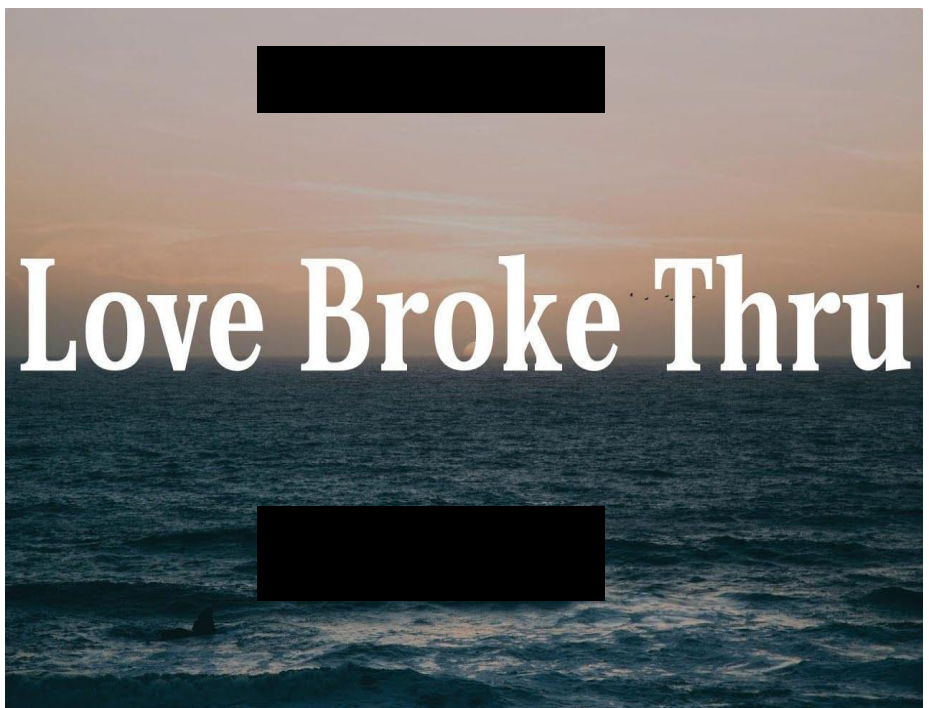


St. Johns Lutheran Church



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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

St. Louis, Missouri
July 17th, 2022

Divine Service Setting 2

LSB 167

When Love Broke Through - The Gifts (Means) of Grace Sermon Series:
A Washing Which Cleanses You

AS WE GATHER

A young Christian lady once brought her unbelieving mother along to Sunday morning worship. During the service a baby was baptized. When the service was over and the two women were making their way out, the unbelieving mother commented in disgust to her believing daughter: “I just don’t see how putting some water on a baby’s head is going to do everything that Pastor said.” That unbelieving mother is obviously ignorant of what the Bible teaches on Baptism. For the next few weeks we will let the Word of God teach us about How Love Broke Through.

RINGING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME GUESTS

We’re glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (<https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/>).

PREPARATION

HYMN

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

LSB 590

**Baptized into Your name most holy,
O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
I claim a place, though weak and lowly,
Among Your saints, Your chosen host.
Buried with Christ and dead to sin,**

Your Spirit now shall live within.

**My loving Father, here You take me
To be henceforth Your child and heir.
My faithful Savior, here You make me
The fruit of all Your sorrows share.
O Holy Spirit, comfort me
When threat'ning clouds around I see.**

**My faithful God, You fail me never;
Your promise surely will endure.
O cast me not away forever
If words and deeds become impure.
Have mercy when I come defiled;
Forgive, lift up, restore Your child.**

**All that I am and love most dearly--
Receive it all, O Lord, from me.
Let me confess my faith sincerely;
Help me Your faithful child to be!
Let nothing that I am or own
Serve any will but Yours alone.**

INVOCATION

**In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Psalm 27:9*

**Hide not Your face from me. Turn not Your servant away in anger,
O You who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me
not, O God of my salvation!**

A time for silent reflection.

**Let us confess our sins unto the Lord.
I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of
heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned**

in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

WORD

INTROIT *Psalm 119:57–60, 64; antiphon: v. 105*

Your word is a lamp * to my feet
and a light * to my path.

The Lord is my * portion;

I promise to * keep your words.

I entreat your favor with * all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your * promise.

When I think * on my ways,

I turn my feet to your testi * monies;

I hasten and do * not delay
to keep your com * mandments.

**The earth, O Lord, is full of your * steadfast love;
teach me your * statutes!**

**Glory be to the Father and * to the Son
and to the Holy * Spirit;**

**as it was in the be * ginning,
is now, and will be forever. * Amen.**

Your word is a lamp * to my feet
and a light * to my path.

SALUTATION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Lord, grant us, your children grasp Your great gift in faith and live as a thankful and joyful children of God. Grant this each day to the congregation of the baptized, that your name be glorified and your kingdom come. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEMORIZED WORD

¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.
2 Timothy 3:16-17

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 6:5-8, 17-19*

⁵ The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶ And the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. ⁷ So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸ But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord....¹⁷ For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸ But I will establish my covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹ And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every sort into the ark to keep them alive with you. They shall be male and female.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL *Matthew 28:18b-19, 1Peter 3:21, Titus 3:3-5*

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

**Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit,**

Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you,

**not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal
to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection
of Jesus Christ,**

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves
to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and
envy, hated by others and hating one another.

**But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our
Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works
done by us in righteousness,**

But according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration
and renewal of the Holy Spirit,

EPISTLE *Acts 2:38-41*

³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of
you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins,
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise
is for you and for your children and for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰ And with
many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them,
saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹ So
those who received his word were baptized, and there were added
that day about three thousand souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE *Colossians 2:6b-7a*

**Alleluia. As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in
Him, rooted and built up in Him. Alleluia.**

HOLY GOSPEL *John 3:3-8*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

³ Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

“One Thing’s Needful”

LSB 536 (verse 2 omitted)

**One thing’s needful; Lord, this treasure
Teach me highly to regard.
All else, though it first give pleasure,
Is a yoke that presses hard!
Beneath it the heart is still fretting and striving,
No true, lasting happiness ever deriving.
This one thing is needful; all others are vain--
I count all but loss that I Christ may obtain!**

Wisdom's highest, noblest treasure,
Jesus, is revealed in You.
Let me find in You my pleasure,
And my wayward will subdue,
Humility there and simplicity reigning.
In paths of true wisdom my steps ever training.
If I learn from Jesus this knowledge divine,
The blessing of heavenly wisdom is mine.

Nothing have I, Christ, to offer,
You alone, my highest good.
Nothing have I, Lord, to proffer
But Your crimson-colored blood.
Your death on the cross has death wholly defeated
And thereby my righteousness fully completed;
Salvation's white raiments I there did obtain,
And in them in glory with You I shall reign.

Therefore You alone, my Savior,
Shall be all in all to me;
Search my heart and my behavior,
Root out all hypocrisy.
Through all my life's pilgrimage, guard and uphold me,
In loving forgiveness, O Jesus, enfold me.
This one thing is needful; all others are vain--
I count all but loss that I Christ may obtain!

SERMON

APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered

under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come 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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LSB 176

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray

For the Lord to grant us the wisdom of faith to choose the one thing needful amid all that competes for our attention and loyalty, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the Lord to grant us knowledge of the mystery long hidden and revealed in Christ, that we may rejoice in our own salvation and be bearers of this Good News to the world at large,

let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For loving hearts, patience, and compassion, that we not speak harshly but with kindness, putting the best construction on all things, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For hospitality, that our homes be places of love and that our

churches welcome new people with genuine affection in Christ,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For all pastors and church workers, that by their example they
encourage us all to faithfulness and compassion, as the Lord has
shown to us, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For peace among the nations, for an end to violence and hate, and
for responsible leaders in government who will hearken to the
voice of God's Word and serve us with justice and integrity,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For the sick, the suffering, the grieving, and the dying, [*especially* .
. . .], and all whom we name before the Lord in our hearts [*silence*],
that God answer them with mercy, heal them in accordance with
His will, and bring them to everlasting life, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For repentant hearts that we acknowledge God's goodness, offer
Him thanks and praise, and use His gifts for the good of our
neighbor, those in our care, and for the glory of His name,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

For our Baptism. For Your great mercy who has given us the new
birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven us all our sins,
from this washing of Our Holy Baptism, rejoicing in the blessed
grace of this Sacrament, let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
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.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

Amen.

HYMN All Christians Who Have Been Baptized *LSB 596*

**All Christians who have been baptized,
Who know the God of heaven,
And in whose daily life is prized
The name of Christ once given:
Consider now what God has done,
The gifts He gives to ev'ry one
Baptized into Christ Jesus!**

**You were before your day of birth,
Indeed, from your conception,
Condemned and lost with all the earth,
None good, without exception.
For like your parents' flesh and blood,
Turned inward from the highest good,
You constantly denied Him.**

**But all of that was washed away
Immersed and drowned forever.
The water of your Baptism day
Restored again whatever
Old Adam and his sin destroyed
And all our sinful selves employed
According to our nature.**

**In Baptism we now put on Christ
Our shame is fully covered**

**With all that He once sacrificed
And freely for us suffered.
For here the flood of His own blood
Now makes us holy, right, and good
Before our heav'nly Father.**

**O Christian, firmly hold this gift
And give God thanks forever!
It gives the power to uplift
In all that you endeavor.
When nothing else revives your soul,
Your Baptism stands and makes you whole
And then in death completes you.**

**So use it well! You are made new
In Christ a new Creation!
As faithful Christians, live and do
Within your own vocation,
Until that day when you possess
His glorious robe of righteousness
Bestowed on you forever!**

Preacher	Pastor Michael Tanney
Liturgist	Pastor Michael Tanney
Lector	Pastor Michael Tanney
Elders	Al Bohannon & Earl Welch
Organist	Suzanne Manelli
Ushers	William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt
Children's Message	Pastor Michael Tanney
Acolytes	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Greeter	Roger Schmidt
Worship Screen	Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy
Bible Class	Pastor Michael Tanney

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

Our Response to God's Love Last Week

Attendance Sunday: 30

Communion: 29

Nepalese: 21

Offering: \$1,490.40

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). Our next date is July 23rd. If interested, please send an email to stjohnslcstl@gmail.com to be added to the GroupMe.

SERMON SERIES(starting today) **WHERE LOVE BROKE THROUGH**

The (means) Gifts of Grace: Going on a field trip is something that every elementary student looks forward to. Teachers use field trips to make more tangible the lessons they want to teach. We will be taking field trips in the church. Your pastor will take you somewhere to meet God face to face so that his presence will become more real to you. In a tangible way through the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper. As we begin our sermon series we'll see that through the sacraments, God comes to us, breaking through the darkness with love to offer gifts of grace. The Sacraments Sermon Series beginning July 17th and going through August will emphasize the connection between Old and New Testaments, by drawing on sacramental themes foreshadowed in familiar OT stories, and how the promises of God "for you" are expressed and fulfilled in Christ.

Pastor

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH in Bridgeton, MO, a smaller family church, is seeking a CHIME & CHOIR DIRECTOR for September - May for weekly practices and 1-2 times a month performances on Sundays, and an ORGANIST/PIANIST for Sunday worship and occasional mid-week services, funerals, and the like. Position could be a substitute, a regular once a month Sunday worship accompanist, or possibly two to three Sundays a month, depending on the applicants' and churches' desire. One person could fill both positions if desired. Familiarity with Lutheran liturgies and hymns would be helpful but not a necessity if able to learn. Salary is negotiable based on proficiency, education, and experience. If interested, or know of anyone who might be, please contact the church office at 314/291-2395 or ourchurchlady@sbcglobal.net.

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions –**For** those who have not come back since the pandemic; **For** a favorable conclusion by the insurance company to fix the roof; **Maureen Rehmer** for healing from a dislocated hip; **Dennis Solomon** as he recovers from congested heart failure; **Carmen Hobson** that she would pass the tests needed for shoulder surgery; **Bobbie** for strength as she deals with Parkinson's; **Our Vicars who** serve the Nepali church;

Shut Ins – Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Steve Bain, Maureen Rehmer, Eileen Wehrheim, Don Osiek

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week

July 17-July 24

Sunday	9:00am Worship 10:30am Bible Study 10:30am Nepali Worship 12:30pm African Worship
Monday	8am-2pm Office Open
Tuesday	8am-2pm Office Open NO Seminary Students
Wednesday	8am-2pm Office Open
Thursday	8am-2pm Office Open 2pm Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study
Friday	8am-1pm Office Open 8am Bible Study
Saturday	8:30am Food Pantry NO Vicar Meeting 5:30pm-7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	9:00am Worship w/ Communion 10:30am Bible Study 10:30am Nepali Worship 12:30pm African Worship

OPEN TEACHER POSITIONS - WORD OF LIFE

Middle School Math Teacher

Word of Life is seeking a middle school math teacher for the 2022-2023 school year to join our amazing team of teachers. The position is full time and includes teaching 6th grade Religion, 5th-8th grade Math and a few enrichment courses. Interested candidates should have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in education. If you would like more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbegholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Preschool Aide

Word of Life is seeking a caring and compassionate aide to work specifically with a preschool student attending WOL at the Timothy campus. The student has special learning needs and the person in this position will be there to support the student in her learning and development. The position is 20 hours per week (full days Tuesday and Thursday, half days Wednesday and Friday). There is also the potential to combine this position with the Extended Care Director position to create a full-time position. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

Extended Care Director

Word of Life is seeking a qualified candidate to lead the extended care program on the main campus for Grades K-8. The position includes registering students, posting charges, purchasing snacks as well as supervising students in the after school part of the program from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm Mondays - Fridays. There is potential for this position to be combined with the Preschool Aide position to make a full-time position. For more information or to submit a resume, please contact Principal Melissa Bergholt at 314-832-1244 or mbergholt@wordoflifeschool.net.

VILLAGE LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL in Ladue seeking a candidate to teach in our Preschool 4 /5 year old classroom Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 1:00 a.m. Our prayer is that the candidate will be a member of an LCMS congregation, have educational experience, and a desire to partner with our team and families at Village Lutheran to help children reach their God given potential. Interested candidates should contact the program director, Diane Caughlan at preschool@villagelutheranchurch.org or call 314-993-6743.