

**ST. LUKE'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH** 10:30 a.m.

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**15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY FESTIVAL**

Rhonda Tomac, organist

September 12, 2021

**WELCOME!**

*James 1:13-15*

*Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.*

*Romans 6:23*

*The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**ORDER OF SERVICE:**

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**Hymn 2** To Thy Temple I Repair [RETURN] .

**EPISTLE: Galatians 5:25—6:10** Arrogance is not a virtue from God. Provoking others to anger, envying others, judging others as lower than self, condemning rather than gently correcting those who go astray, refusing to share good things with God's servants sent by God to teach His Rescue in Jesus, all stem from a heart that considers self Number One. Arrogance leads to living for self and the flesh. Christian humility, on the other hand, leads us to treat others—particularly fellow believers—with kindness, mercy, and love in Christ.

**SONG BY SUNDAY SCHOOL:** "Jesus Loves Me This I Know!"

**GOSPEL Matthew 6:24-34** To be worried and fraught with concern over earthly things does not mesh with living for God. One or the other—either physical concerns or spiritual concerns—will take first place in the heart. The things of this world—money, food, drink, clothing, and physical life itself—are really only short term items. Forgiveness for sinners and rescue in God's Son Jesus lasts forever! The Lord who provides our spiritual healing also provides for all physical needs. Do not worry.

**APOSTLES' CREED**

**Hymn 789** Consider How the Birds Above!

## SERMON: ACTS 14:1-21

### WHEN THE GOSPEL GROWS, ATTACKS ABOUND

*Now it happened in Iconium that they [Barnabas and Paul] went together to the synagogue of the Jews, and so spoke that a great multitude both of the Jews and of the Greeks believed. But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles and poisoned their minds against the brethren. Therefore, they stayed there a long time, speaking boldly in the Lord, who was bearing witness to the word of His grace, granting signs and wonders to be done by their hands. But the multitude of the city was divided: part sided with the Jews, and part with the apostles. And when a violent attempt was made by both the Gentiles and Jews, with their rulers, to abuse and stone them, they became aware of it and fled to Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and to the surrounding region. And they were preaching the Gospel there.*

*And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" And he leaped and walked. Now when the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" And Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of Zeus, whose temple was in front of their city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, intending to sacrifice with the multitudes.*

*But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard this, they tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out and saying, "Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men with the same nature as you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are in them, who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways. Nevertheless He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness." And with these sayings they could scarcely restrain the multitudes from sacrificing to them.*

*Then, Jews from Antioch and Iconium came there; and having persuaded the multitudes, they stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city, supposing him to be dead. However, when the disciples gathered around him, he rose up and went into the city. And the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe. And when they had preached the Gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch.*

**Hymn 780** Dear Lord, To Your True Servants Give

Benediction

**Hymn 54** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah!

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ST. LUKE'S VIDEOS OF SERVICES: If you are unable to be at worship, please find our service at St. Luke's Facebook page.

SCHEDULE:

09/19 10:30 Worship **with Communion** 9:30 Bible Cl. & Sun. Sch.  
09/26 10:30 Worship 9:30 Bible Class and Sunday School  
10/03 10:30 Worship **with Communion** 9:30 Bible Cl. & Sun. Sch.

CLEANING CHURCH FOR SEPTEMBER:

V. Peterson, E. Wiechmann, R. Schweitzer, E. Larson.

We thank those who labor to keep this house of worship respectfully tidy.

PROCEEDINGS FROM 2021 CLC CONVENTION: The Proceedings (Report) of the 2021 CLC Convention held in June are available. Two copies in 3-ring binders are available in the entryway. Use and return for others. If anyone wishes a personal copy, it can be printed. The Proceedings are also available by email, or can be found online at [tinyurl.com/2021-clc-proc](https://tinyurl.com/2021-clc-proc) as part of the CLC website. Thank you.

NEWEST ISSUE OF "DAILY REST": The September-October-November issue of Daily Rest has arrived. Extra copies available in the entryway. If you do not have a subscription, or want to give a copy to a friend, please take one.

CALL NEWS:

**Mr. Michael Sprengeler**, Denver, CO, formerly a CLC pastor, has returned the call to Redeemer, Bowdle, SD, and to Zion, Ipswich, SD.

**Pastor Caleb Schaller**, Eau Claire, WI, has returned the call to Faith Lutheran, Manchester, MO.

**Becky McKenney**, Fort Atkinson, WI, has returned the call to Grace Lutheran School, Valentine, NE.

CLC TREASURER REPORT: All CLC funds have a solid balance at this point, with the exception of the General Fund. The CLC fiscal year began on July 1 with a new balance in the General Fund of \$-0-. As of August 31, the General Fund stood at a negative balance of -\$50,000. We humbly entrust this concern to our Lord, who sent His Son to rescue us. We ask that His Spirit move our hearts through His Word.

PRAYERS BEING ANSWERED: “My thanks for your prayers. The Lord spared me from a serious case of the COVID-19. My symptoms were mild. Most have already departed.”  
---In Christ, Pastor Andrew Schaller.

PRAYERS BEING ANSWERED: “Thank you all for your prayers over the past couple of weeks. My wife and I seem to have recovered from our COVID infection with only some mild, ongoing issues. We both lost around 15-20 lbs., but that is plus for us, I think. Taste and smell are slowly returning – I actually could smell the coffee brewing this morning, but still mostly only tasted bitterness as I drank it. I could faintly taste my granola cereal. God-willing, we will be back to normal soon. Again, thank you for the prayers.”  
---Pastor Frank Gantt

PRAYERS BEING ANSWERED: “I was about 95% certain of my imminent death. . . . Now here's the important part: It was a wonderful thing! Having zero doubt or fear--but only an absolute certainty that through no merit or worthiness of my own, but purely because of the perfect life and atoning death of Jesus, I would soon be Home, abiding evermore in unalloyed love and bliss. It was a most marvelous thing. It brings me to tears now when I mention it. In fact, I am disappointed that this was not my time. I was hospitalized, with an aggressive treatment plan. I have been released and recovery is slow. The Lord's blessings to you and yours.”  
--Retired Teacher Craig Owings

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