

BY WHAT AUTHORITY?

Matthew 21:23-32

We invite, encourage, educate, and empower all people to follow God and serve others.

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 2020

Parking lot worshipers – Turn to 87.9FM to hear the service through the radio station.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

We lift up our souls to you, Holy God.

We trust the Lord with our past, present, and future.

Teach us, Lord, that we may know your ways.

Guide our every move, Holy One, that we may walk in your paths of love and mercy.

Let us worship the One who leads us in what is right.

Together, let us worship God!

HYMN *Come, Now Is the Time to Worship*

Come, now is the time to worship.

Come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come, just as you are to worship.

Come, just as you are before your God. Come.

One day every tongue will confess you are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose you now.

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PRAYER

God of love, giver of life,

you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 25:1-9

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach

sinners in your way.

You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Show Me Your Ways

Show me Your ways
That I may walk with You
Show me Your ways
I put my hope in You
The cry of my heart
Is to love You more
To live with the
Touch of Your hand
Stronger each day
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²³When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you

one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"By Whose Authority"*

APOSTLES CREED

**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

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE 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

SENDING HYMN *All Hail the Power Jesus' Name!*

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.**

**O seed of Israel's chosen race now ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.**

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news. Okay, we will!

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We lift in prayer...

- *Those who are grieving losses of any sort, including the family and friends of Baby Spear.
- *Give your blessing to the Jewish people at this time of their new year. Bring an end to anti-Semitism around the globe and strengthen peace efforts in the Middle East.
- *Our firefighters and those whose lives have been changed because of fires, our first responders and our frontline workers.
- *People around the country as they recover from the damages of storms.
- *Those recovering from surgeries, those who are ill or hospitalized, including Larry, Levi, Evelyn, Bruce, Darius, Marvin and Leon.
- *Those with ongoing health concerns, including Brenda, Ron, John Terri, Suzan, Chelle, Patricia, Felix, Taylor, Pepper and Kelly.
- *For our leaders at every level, including President Trump, Governor Noem, Presiding Bishop Eaton and Bishop Hagmaier.
- *For all those in the midst of the pandemic and racial tension.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

5:30-7:00PM

OSL PARKING LOT

Come and get a hot dog off the grill and enjoy treats from community members!

WE NEED TRUNKS! All community members are welcome to come, decorate your trunks, hand out candy and participate in the fun! Want to help but can't be there? You can donate some candy to be handed out.

Modifications for this year:

1. Cloth masks for adults are highly encouraged, especially for the 'trunkers'
2. Vehicles will be spaced apart from each other on one side of the parking lot.
3. Some items from last year will not be at this year's Trunk or Treat, ex. The train. We hope to have them back next year.
4. If the Hermosa School closes anytime two weeks before and/or we experience a COVID spike in Hermosa, the event will be cancelled. Cancellation will be posted on OSL's Facebook page and website as well as on the church answering machine.
5. Please call the church office to reserve your spot! 605-255-4662

Young Adult BOOKCLUB

Are you between the ages of 17 and 25???
If so, **THIS IS FOR YOU!!!!**

Beginning October 4, 8 pm MST/9pm CST via Google Hangouts – We will meet the 1st and 3rd Sunday each month.

Our first book will be “A Restless Age” by Austin Gohn- This book can purchased as an e-book, audible or paperback on Amazon.com

This club is open to **all** young adults. You are highly encouraged to invite your friends to participate also!
It is going to be a great place for fun and conversation!

**Most of us spend our twenties
looking for rest, but God is
inviting you to spend your
twenties living from rest! Let
Saint Augustine and others help
it make sense!**

Register at:

<https://forms.gle/cFG3LRCEAHbY9E1a7> OR

Find us on Facebook:

*Young Adult Book Club by Messiah Lutheran & Our
Savior's Lutheran ELCA*



This is an online joint venture with Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Hermosa, SD (Pastor Deb Grismer) and Messiah Lutheran Church in Burlington, IA (Kelly Benz, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministry)
If you need assistance registering or purchasing the book, please contact Pastor Deb (pastordeb@oslhermosa.com) or Kelly (Kelly.messiah@gmail.com)

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Today, Sunday, Sept 27th

New Member Sunday

9:30am Parking Lot Worship-live streamed on FB also

7-8:30pm HS Youth Group

Tuesday, Sept 29th

Pastor Deb off in the afternoon

Thursday, Oct 1st

9:30am WELCA "I am She" via Zoom only

7:00pm Online Bible Study with Chelle (see info on back page)

Sunday, October 4th

9:30am Parking Lot Worship-live streamed on FB also

7-8:30pm HS Youth Group



DOG Night, as we know it, is changing to keep our children and adults safe.

Starting in October!

Disciples of God Online Christian Education Ministry

Watch for DOG Night to appear online every Wednesday! We will post a recording on our Facebook page, YouTube page and our Website!

**Bible Story / Skit / Puppets *Ideas to incorporate the weekly theme in your own household!*

Everyone is welcome to watch and participate.

Stay tuned to our Facebook Page and our website for ways to participate, both online and in the church! Yes, we will need kids to help us each week! If you have any questions or ideas, please call Pastor Deb at 605-890-0781 or Josie Main at 605-255-4662.

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**Blessing
- of the -
ANIMALS**



Blessing of the Animals

October 4th 4:00-5:00pm

Hermosa Fairgrounds- watch for the signs
Join us for a service to bless the animals/pets in our lives! All animals welcome. There will be a short service and then individual blessings for each animal.

**Animals must be contained on leashes, in crates, in horse trailers etc. They cannot be loose. Please bring your own chairs and blankets. The whole community is invited.*

Sponsored by the OSL Community Youth Group



Mission of the Moment

“You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the of the Almighty, will say to the ‘My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust’”.

Psalms 91:1-2

You are home and you hear a knock at the door. An official tells you to pack your essentials and evacuate, as a wildfire is speeding toward you. Some of you have lived through this. Others can only imagine. This is the situation many of our neighbors in the western part of the country are facing right now.

Fueled by a heat wave and unfavorable winds, devastating wildfires are raging across California, Oregon, Washington and other western states. At least 20 people have died, hundreds of thousands of people are under evacuation orders and more than 3.5 million acres have burned across the three states. Some evacuees face the difficult decision of whether to stay in a shelter during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For the next several weeks, you can help by contributing to OSL’s *Mission of the Moment*. We are partnering with Lutheran Disaster Response through collecting financial donations for U.S. wildfire survivors. LDR is engaging with at least three Lutheran social services agencies and five synods to assess the situation and determine the best ways to respond. They expect immediate needs may include food and other necessities, as well as emotional and spiritual care for those who have been traumatized. 100% of your financial gifts will be used to assist those affected by wildfires in the US until the response is complete. This assistance is available to everyone in affected communities, not just Lutherans.

Mission of the Moment donations can be placed in the Globe Offering or offering baskets during worship. (The ushers are more than willing to assist.) Donations can also be sent to OSL at PO Box 136. Checks can be made out to OSL with “US Wildfires” or “Mission” written in the memo.

Even as we face multiple crises, together we can reflect Christ’s light and hope to our neighbors in their time of need. Thank you for your generosity.