

Take Up Your Cross



13th Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

INVOCATION

We gather for worship as one family of faith in the name of our Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Lift High The Cross
Refrain

#660

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our captain trod,
our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Refrain***

**All newborn servants of the Crucified
bear on their brows the seal of him who died. *Refrain***

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw us all to thee. *Refrain***

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory! *Refrain***

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.

Amen.

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray. Direct us, O Lord God,

in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you

are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:25-33

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is

still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Chelle Schefcik

HYMN

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

#808

**Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey;
I'll tell ev'rybody about you wherever I go:
you alone are our life and our peace and our love.
Lord Jesus, you shall be my song as I journey.**

**Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.
May all of my joy be a faithful reflection of you.
May the earth and the sea and the sky join my song.
Lord Jesus, I'll praise you as long as I journey.**

**As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant,
to carry your cross and to share all your burdens and tears.
For you saved me by giving your body and blood.
As long as I live, Jesus, make me your servant.**

**I fear in the dark and the doubt of my journey;
but courage will come with the sound of your steps by my
side. And with all of the family you saved by your love,
we'll sing to your dawn at the end of our journey.**

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

OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what
we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, 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 *Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus* #802

Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure,
through a world that would deceive us
and to sin our spirits lure.

Onward in his footsteps treading,
trav'lers here, our home above,
full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Savior's bidding.
Faithful Lord, with me abide; I shall follow where you guide.

Let us also live with Jesus. He has risen from the dead
that to life we may awaken. Jesus, you are now our head,

**we are your own living members;
where you live, there we shall be
in your presence constantly, living there with you forever.**

Jesus, let me faithful be; life eternal grant to me.

DISMISSAL

You are the body of Christ. Go in peace. Share the good news.

Okay, we will. Thanks be to God.

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****Those who are grieving losses of any sort, especially the friends and family of Patty Baker (Friend of Linda Morrison) and Carl (Uncle of Wyone Leonard)**

****Those recovering from surgeries, and those who are ill or hospitalized, including: Clayton and Cathi Twitero; Chuck Baschnagel (Father of Mike); Joan and Barbara (Aunts of Carmen Lakner); David Henriksen (Brother of Rebecca Kaiser)**

****Those with on-going concerns, including Bob Tesch; Glenyce (Cousin of Carla Oerter); Reece Ullerich (Friend of Linda Boll); Gary McKean (Nephew of Lane Pine); Marie Kennedy; Iris Brimer; Helen Murphy (Sister of Mikkey Twitero); Roger Spitzer (friend of Dar and Gwen Schroeder); Clay Walberg; Rod Dikkoff (Cousin of Roger); Suzan Heidelberger; Chelle Schefcik and her mother**

****For our military members and their families**

****For our leaders at all levels**

****For our siblings in Christ, our friends and enemies, both near and far**

****For people, animals and land recovering from summer storms and fires**

Love Your Neighbor Tour

We are invited to meet the Love Your Neighbor Tour, which is taking a non-partisan, inter-faith message for Medicaid expansion around the state. In Rapid City, come to the Southside Pizza Ranch, 405 E Stumer Rd, on Thursday, Sept. 22, 5:30-6:30pm, to greet the travelers. Lutherans believe we are freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. We can act on that belief with our votes in November for this healthcare for our neighbors in need. The majority of those who need Medicaid expansion are low-wage workers whose jobs do not provide health benefits. Hope to see you there.



There's a **NEW** ministry coming to OSL,
open to the whole community beginning on
September 18th!!

Sundays 5:00pm-6:30pm

5:00-5:30 Classroom-style Christian
Education for all ages (Birth to Adult)

5:30-6:00 Meal for All

6:00-6:30 Intergenerational Worship

ALL ARE WELCOME!

***For more information or to register, please contact Josie at
605-255-4662 or osl@mt-rushmore.net*



**DOG Night has ended....
Sunday Night Live is beginning!!!**



CALLING ALL SINGERS! JOIN THE CHOIR!

The OSL Choir will begin
rehearsing again, the second
and fourth Sunday of each
month, after morning worship,
at 10:45. If you would like to be
apart of the choir, we would
love for you to join! Everyone
is welcome. Bring a friend!

MISSION OF THE MONTH



St. Dysmas

hope beyond bars

St. Dysmas Lutheran Church is an ELCA congregation located behind the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, SD and Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield, SD. They also support a Sunday evening worship at the Yankton Minimum Unit in Yankton, SD. The staff and congregation of St. Dysmas works inside and outside the walls to proclaim God's mercy, grace and welcome to all. They are there to give a shoulder to lean on, an ear to hear and above all, to be open to the many plans God has for God's children whom God created, chose, loves and includes in God's family. Typically, 60-75 men worship at SDSP in Sioux Falls, 40-50 at Mike Durfee Prison in Springfield, and 12-25 at the Yankton Minimum Unit.

One-third of the money to support St. Dysmas comes from the congregation and two thirds from individual/family gifts as well as donations from other congregations. Our financial support is one way we can tangibly show those in prison they are not forgotten and they are loved. Another way to show this is to go to Sioux Falls to worship with the congregation. They worship on Thursday evenings so for us it would mean traveling to SF on Thursday and returning home on Friday. Pastor Deb has worshiped with the congregation in the past. It is truly a moving experience. She would very much like to take a group again. If you are interested in worshiping with the St. Dysmas congregation, please contact Pastor Deb. Once the list is put together, we can start looking at a date. We need to plan about a month in advance as there is paperwork to be filled out and processed before we can go.

Financial donations can be mailed or dropped off at the church, placed in the Globe Offering or offering plate during worship, or given electronically. There is a Mission of the Month option in the dropdown section on Tiith-ly. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

