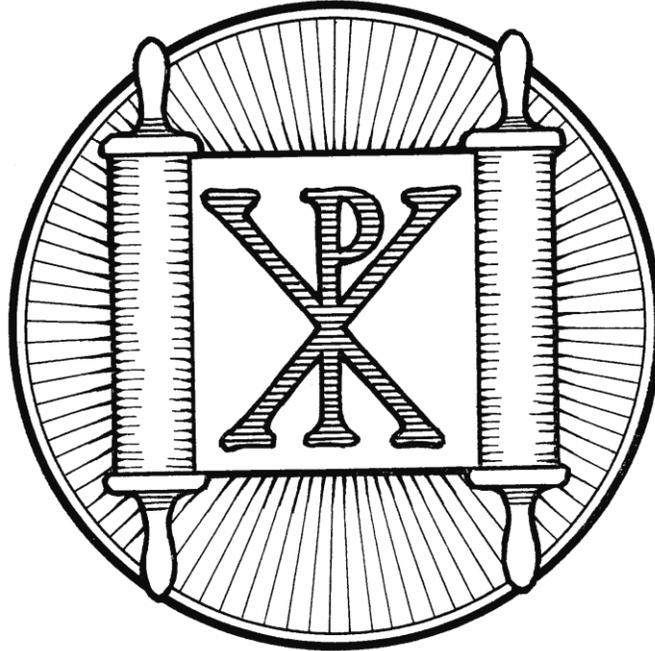


# The Divine Service



*"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy."  
(Exodus 20:8)*

7th Sunday after Pentecost  
TEN WORDS -- The Fourth Word



AD 2020, July 19

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# The Divine Service

*This order of service is a variation of the Common Service, p 15 in Christian Worship. To limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus as much as possible, singing will be restricted to only a few places. The responsive portions of the liturgy shall be spoken. Where you see this symbol + you may make the sign of the cross.*

**HYMN 282                      Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear**

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/CWLH1993/282>

*stand*

## INVOCATION

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

**M:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**C:** **Holy and Merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil, and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me, a sinner.**

**M:** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** **God of all power and might, you are the giver of all that is good. Help us love you with all our heart, strengthen us in true faith, provide us with all we need, and keep us safe in your care; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C:** **Amen**

*be seated*

## THE FIRST LESSON                      Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the LORD, “See, you say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

And the LORD said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Please show me your glory." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live." And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

M: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE SECOND LESSON      Romans 7:15-25a**

For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

M: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*stand*

## **THE GOSPEL      Matthew 11:25-30**

*Before the reading, the following exchange shall be spoken.*

M: The gospel for today is from the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter, beginning at the 25<sup>th</sup> verse.

C: **Glory be to you, O Lord.**

At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

M: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ.**

## APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.**

**From there 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.**

**Hymn 285:1,4,11-12 The Ten commandments Are the Law**

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/CWLH1993/285>

**SERMON TEXT:** EXODUS 20:8-11

**SERMON THEME:** TEN WORDS – THE FOURTH WORD.  
JESUS CHRIST IS OUR SABBATH REST.

*stand*

**Hymn 272 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/CWLH1993/272>

## SERMON PRAYER

### Prayer of the Church

## INTERCESSIONS

*Intercessions that are requested prior to the bulletin's printing will be included in the bulletin. Requests may be made prior to the service as well.*

*In our prayers....*

- For Pastor Gregory Gibbons (Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redford) who remains hospitalized following surgery

## LORD'S PRAYER

## CLOSING PRAYER

**M:** ... one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## THE BENEDICTION

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor (+) and give you peace.  
**C: Amen.**

## HYMN 362 Lord Jesus Christ, My Savior Blest

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/CWLH1993/362>

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Preacher & Celebrant      Pastor Thomas E. Schroeder  
Organist                      Andrea LeFevre

## Worship Tidbit for the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

The Readings – The ILCW 3-year series: Who decides what the readings will be each week? Does the Pastor just pick his favorites? No. Several decades ago, a group of theologians gathered together to select what readings would be used on each Sunday of the Church Year. The Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship (ILCW) assembled readings for a 3-year series. This series intends to incorporate as much of God’s word as possible into the Sunday readings so that God’s people might hear the whole counsel of God. The highlight of the readings is the Gospel. Matthew, Mark, and Luke rotate as the gospel focus for each of the 3 years in the series, with John’s gospel supplementing on various Sundays. Each Sunday’s readings generally focus on one theme, although epistle readings may walk through a particular epistle on successive Sundays.

## THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

**Sunday (7/19)**                      Divine Service – In church at 10:00 AM; Facebook Live at 10:00 AM  
Tuesday                              Church Council – 7:00 PM  
Wednesday                        Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom  
Thursday – Saturday          Martin Luther Memorial Home retreat to South Haven  
**Sunday (7/26)**                      Divine Service – In church at 10:00 AM; Facebook Live at 10:00 AM  
Monday                                SE Conference Steering Committee Meeting at Good Shepherd – 10:00 AM  
Adult Bible Class – 7:00 PM via Zoom

## REGULAR SCHEDULE

Divine Service is Sundays at 10:00 AM and Facebook Live.

**NOTE:** To this date, it has not been necessary to add the 8:30 AM service. As soon as it should become necessary, you will be notified of the change in the schedule.

**Office Hours:** The office hours in the summer will be fairly fluid. If you need pastoral care or want to come into church for any reason, please contact Pastor Schroeder. Call or text (248-719-5218) or email ([welsnovi@aol.com](mailto:welsnovi@aol.com))

## **GOING OUT OF TOWN THIS SUMMER?**

As you make your vacation plans, be sure to include a faithful worship pattern as part of your plans. In order to find the nearest WELS congregation at your vacation destination, check out the WELS Church Locator at <https://yearbook.wels.net/unitsearch>. If there is no WELS congregation nearby to where you will be traveling, you may always catch Good Shepherd on Facebook Live or speak to Pastor Schroeder about alternatives.

## **SUMMER SERMON SERIES – TEN WORDS**

And [the LORD] he wrote on the tablets, in the same writing as before, the Ten Commandments that the LORD had spoken to you on the mountain out of the midst of the fire on the day of the assembly. And the LORD gave them to me. (Deuteronomy 10:4)

July 19	The 3rd Commandment	(Exodus 20:8-11)
July 26	The 4th Commandment	(Exodus 20:12)
Aug. 2	The 5th Commandment	(Exodus 20:13)
Aug. 9	The 6th Commandment	(Exodus 20:14)
Aug. 23	The 7th Commandment	(Exodus 20:15)
Aug. 30	The 8th Commandment	(Exodus 20:16)
Sept. 6	The 9th & 10th Commandments	(Exodus 20:17)

## **ADULT BIBLE CLASS – JULY 27-29 (7:00 pm)**

COVID-19 restrictions is making a regular VBS impractical, if not impossible, this year. There will, however, be a three-night virtual Bible Class on Zoom. It will run Monday-Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM, July 27-29. We will be considering the Missionary Journeys of St. Paul. You may want to read through the book of Acts leading up to the dates for our Bible Class. Paul's journeys in particular cover Acts 13-21. Time will not permit an in depth study of all verses, but we will consider how Paul served as a missionary and how we can adapt Paul's mission work to our own setting.

All are welcome to join us for this class, but registration will be necessary. Call or text (248-719-5218) or email ([welsnovi@aol.com](mailto:welsnovi@aol.com)) to get the information for our Zoom sessions. If you would choose to join us in person, please let the pastor know that so he may be prepared with class materials for you.

## **BIBLE INFORMATION CLASS**

If you or anyone you know would like to study the Scriptures and learn the basics of the Bible, please contact Pastor Schroeder for a Bible Information Class. It will be done over Zoom (or in person if you are willing) at your convenience.

## **NOTES from Huron Valley Lutheran High School (HVL)**

**Join HVL's Mailing List** - Go to [HVLHS.org](http://HVLHS.org) and click on "Sign up for Newsletter" or call or email the school office at [mail@hvlhs.org](mailto:mail@hvlhs.org) to be added.

## **HVL Golf Classic**

The HVL Athletic Department is extremely excited to announce our annual HVL Golf Classic on Saturday, August 29th, 2020.

This year's golf outing will take place at Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center in Plymouth. This annual event is the primary fundraiser for the HVL Athletic Department and supports our student-athletes by providing uniforms, equipment, and other financial assistance for our sports programs.

## **Coaches Needed**

We are currently scheduling and making plans for fall and winter sports for the 2020-21 school year. We will be in need of coaches for volleyball and cheerleading. If you or someone you know is interested in coaching, please contact Mrs. Ruth at [kruth@hvlhs.org](mailto:kruth@hvlhs.org).

## **CONCERNING PASTORAL CARE**

**Online Worship:** You can join in our services via Facebook Live (Sundays, 10 AM). You can find it here, or by searching for "Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church." Make sure you click to the one in Novi.

**Archived Resources:** We now have a YouTube channel. A search for "Good Shepherd Novi" should bring up services. Currently, there are only two posted. As always, sermon manuscripts are posted on the pastor's blog ([www.LutheranSubject.blogspot.com](http://www.LutheranSubject.blogspot.com)). You can use the search bar to find a particular date, day of the Church Year, or Scripture reference.

**Person-to-person care:** Pastor Schroeder will be in his office to offer private devotions, Holy Absolution, and Holy Communion to members in small groups or to individuals. You may come in without appointment at these times: Mondays and Thursdays, 8:00 AM - Noon and 6:00 - 9:00 PM. You may also set up an appointment at any time. Visits by appointment can be done either at church or at your home.

**In case you contract COVID-19:** Please contact Pastor Schroeder. He will alert the congregation so that your fellow members may pray for you, and he will keep everyone informed of your condition. If possible, Pastor Schroeder will visit you during your quarantine. At the very least, he will keep in contact with you and provide devotional materials. If you want to ask for intercessions for loved ones, we will certainly remember them in our prayers, too. If your loved one has no pastor, ask if they would like Pastor Schroeder to visit them.

### **Can you make face masks?**

A WELS member is handing out face masks to immigrants in Michigan, while giving them a Christian witness. If you would like to contribute some hand-made face masks (Christian symbols are permitted), please contact Tom Metzger, who is collecting them, at [metzgerfam5@hotmail.com](mailto:metzgerfam5@hotmail.com)."

## **A LOOK AT THE UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

*NOTE: All dates will be confirmed the closer we get to them.*

### **JULY** *Note: All dates are subject to review, based on the COVID-19 updates.*

- 19 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 21 Church Council – 7:00 PM
- 22 Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom
- 23-25 Martin Luther Memorial Home Retreat in South Haven
- 26 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 27 SE Conference Steering Committee Meeting at Good Shepherd – 10:00 AM
- 27 Adult Bible Class: The Missionary Journeys of St. Paul – 7:00 PM via Zoom
- 28 Adult Bible Class: The Missionary Journeys of St. Paul – 7:00 PM via Zoom
- 29 Adult Bible Class: The Missionary Journeys of St. Paul – 7:00 PM via Zoom
- 29 Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom

### **AUGUST**

- 2 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- TBD Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom
- 9 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- TBD Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom
- 16 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 18 Church Council – 7:00 PM
- TBD Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom
- 23 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- TBD Bible Information Class – 1:00 PM via Zoom
- 30 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- Sunday School Teachers' meeting – 11:20 AM

## **REDFORD PREGNANCY CARE CENTER**

The Redford Pregnancy Care Center has opened again! We have already served a number of clients over the past few weeks. They were all long time clients and seemed as happy to see us as we were to see them! They didn't seem to mind having to make an appointment or wear a mask. Some who came took masks that we provided and they liked the patterns! Materials are being put in a bag by the RPCC staff and delivered to the clients at the back door to limit as much contact as possible. Hot-liners are still taking calls and keeping connected that way.

Your prayers and continued support is appreciated. If you have not done so already, check us out on Facebook and like us.

**SHUT-INS** - *Please remember our shut-ins in your thoughts and prayers.*

<b>Sylvia Campbell</b>	1745 Wickhamn	Royal Oak, MI 48073
<b>Jim Hobley</b>	6950 Farmington Road	West Bloomfield, MI 48322
<b>Margaretha Lester</b>	935 Union Lake Road Apt. 218	White Lake Twp., MI 48386
<b>Elaine Patton</b>	42600 Cherry Hill Road, Rm. 115	Canton, MI 48188
<b>Mary Zuehlke</b>	29451 Halsted Road Apt. 118	Farmington Hills, MI 48331

**WELS RADIO HOUR** broadcasts 10:30-11:30 AM, Sundays, out of Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redford. It airs on WLQV, AM 1500 and 92.7 FM. It is also simulcast on [faithtalkdetroit.com](http://faithtalkdetroit.com) and can be heard on the [faithtalkdetroit](http://faithtalkdetroit.com) phone app.

We encourage our members to utilize opportunities for Christian education, grounded in the Evangelical-Lutheran faith. While we do not own and operate a school on our property, we are able to enroll our children at the following schools.

### **St. Peter Lutheran School**

(Pre-K only)  
1343 Penniman Avenue  
Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 421-9022  
[www.splp.org](http://www.splp.org)  
Becky Lohrmann, teacher

### **St. Paul Lutheran School**

(Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade)  
17810 Farmington Road  
Livonia, MI 48152  
(734) 453-0460  
[www.stpaulslivonia.org](http://www.stpaulslivonia.org)  
Mr. Paul Leifer, principal

### **Huron Valley Lutheran High School**

(9<sup>th</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
33740 Cowan Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 525-0160  
[www.hvlhs.org](http://www.hvlhs.org)  
Mr. Matt Foley, principal