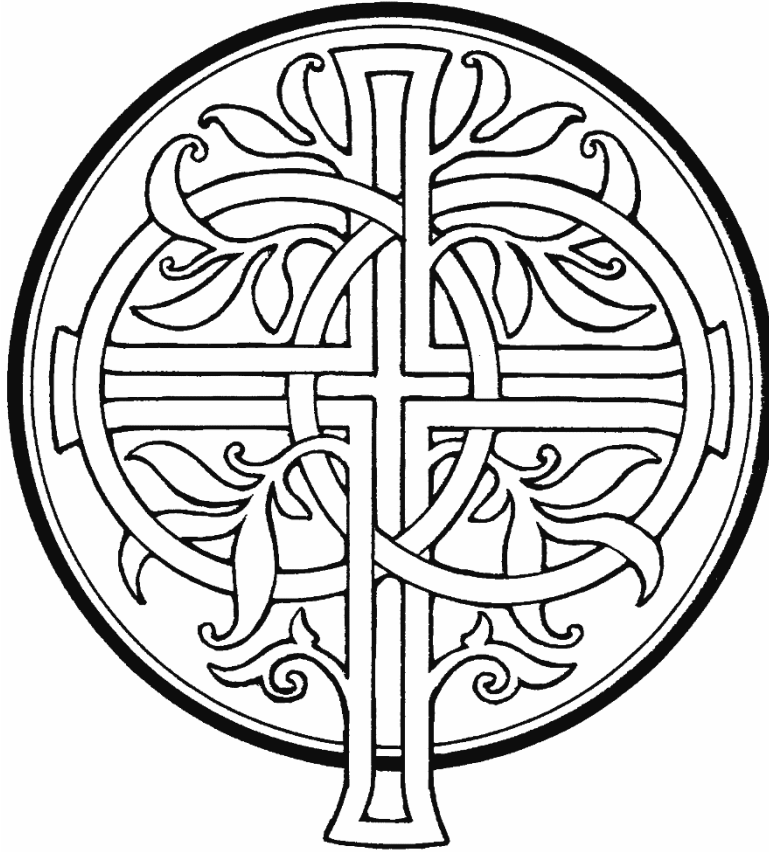


# The Divine Service



THE 7TH WORD:  
You shall not commit adultery.  
(Exodus 20:14)

10th Sunday after Pentecost



AD 2020, August 9

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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 506**                      **Oh, Blest the House, Whate'er Befall**

<https://hymnary.org/hymn/CWLH1993/506>

*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:** **O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus' name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; 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

### 1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I shall give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you.

M: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **THE SECOND LESSON   Romans 8:28-30**

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

M: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*stand*

## **THE GOSPEL                   Matthew 13:44-52**

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

M: The Gospel for today is from the Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> chapter, beginning at the 44<sup>th</sup> verse.

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

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all these things?" They said to him, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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

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 285:1,7,11-12 The Ten commandments Are the Law**

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

**SERMON TEXT: EXODUS 20:14**

**SERMON THEME: MARRIAGE SHOULD BE HONORED BY ALL.**

*stand*

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

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

## SERMON PRAYER

Responsive 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....*

While we offer up prayers for specific requests in our services, petitions and intercessions can be offered up throughout the week for continued concerns. Please continue to remember these in your prayers:

- For Linda Larson, having knee surgery (8/12)
- Thanksgiving that Rev. Martin Luchterhand (classmate of Pastor Schroeder) has come home from the hospital and recovering from COVID-19

## LORD'S PRAYER



## **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)

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)

## **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.

## **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)."

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

**Join HVL's Mailing List** - Go to 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.

### **Now Enrolling at HVL**

It's not too late to register for the 2020-2021 school year. HVL has developed Preparedness Plans for Reopening and is planning on opening as scheduled for regular face to face instruction. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the blessings and benefits of a Christ-centered secondary education, please contact HVL to learn more.

### **HVL Virtual Auction**

HVL's 2020 Auction will be held online. Item preview begins Sept 12, bidding begins Sept 19, and the Auction Program Premiere will take place on Sept 26 at 7pm, with bidding ending at 9pm. Watch for more information to come!

### **HVL Facilities Improvements**

During the course of the summer the following improvements/maintenance occurred: 100 tons of slide-safe mixture for the baseball/softball fields; AC units installed in 4 classrooms; tinted glass security film installed; LED lights in classrooms/hallways; gym floor cleaned and recoated; hallways rewaxed; and 3 new drinking fountains with water bottle fillers were purchased. A huge thank you goes to all the donations, volunteer hours and grants received that allowed all these projects to move forward.

### **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.

## **CONCERNING PASTORAL CARE**

**Divine Services:** We have resumed our services at church, Sunday at 10:00 AM. For details about what you can expect and what will be expected of you, see this:

<http://lutheransubject.blogspot.com/2020/05/a-pastoral-concern-return-to-church.html>

**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 are posting our services on YouTube. A search for "Good Shepherd Novi" should bring up services. 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. Please set up your visit by appointment at any time.

**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.

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

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

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

- 9 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 16 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 18 Redford Pregnancy Care Center Bible Class – 10:00 AM via Zoom
- 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

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

- 6 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 13 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class – 8:45 AM
- 13 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 14 Catechism Class – 5:00-6:30 PM
- 14 Palabra de Vida Board Meeting – 7:00 PM
- 15 Redford Pregnancy Care Center Board Meeting – 3:00 PM
- 15 Church Council – 7:00 PM
- 20 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class – 8:45 AM
- 20 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 21 Catechism Class – 5:00-6:30 PM
- 21 Bible Information Class – 7:00 PM
- 23 Martin Luther Memorial Home Board Meeting – 4:00 PM
- 27 Sunday School & Adult Bible Class – 8:45 AM
- 27 Divine Service – In Church at 10:00 AM (Facebook Live – 10:00 AM)
- 28 Pastors' Conference at Salem Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor – 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- 28 Bible Information Class – 7:00 PM

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

<b>Sylvia Campbell</b>	1745 Wickhamm	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) 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