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are a
gracious
God,
and
merciful,
slow
to anger,
and
abundant in
loving
kindness,
who
relents
of
doing
harm.
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Welcome!

We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

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Tammy Melott, Preschool Director/Teacher

Jennifer Tripp, Teacher

October 4, 2020

As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.



- ◆ According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- ◆ This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- ◆ When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

(P: =Pastor, C: =Congregation)

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WORSHIP THEME:

God gives us the grace we don't deserve

OPENING HYMN: # 379 *Amazing Grace* (v 1 & 2)

CALL TO WORSHIP & CONFESSION OF SINS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: **Jonah 3:1-2, 4-6, 10; 4:1-4**

SECOND LESSON: **Matthew 20:1-16**

SERMON SONG: # 384 *By Grace I'm Saved* (v 1,2,5)

SERMON TEXT: **Romans 9: 9-16**

SERMON THEME: **Merit or Mercy?**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT

Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled at the center of the tray.

CONSECRATION & DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: # 745 *May the Peace of God*



CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP

Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. Please fill out any information that needs to be updated and submit.

THE OFFERING

Dear guests, please don't feel obligated to take part in our offering. We're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.

If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by going to ascensionplymouth.com and click on the GIVE tab on your right hand side or use our App. Collection plates are located by the sanctuary doors.



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT.

Please feel free to contact the church office if you have any questions

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY 9:30 AM: New Wine in Old Wineskins. Join us.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 6:30 PM VIA ZOOM: V. I. C. (1 Kings 3 Solomon's Wisdom) Links and study information available on website or app.

K.I.D.S. CARE MISSION OFFERING: A basket is available at the exit doors.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS: Every marriage has its "moments." Beginning this week, *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one Biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Subscribe at welscongregational-services.net/ministry-resources/marriagemoments/

WELS DOING MORE TOGETHER: Our membership enables our congregation to do even more to advance Christ's kingdom around the world.

SUPPORTING GOSPEL ENDEAVORS: WELS' gospel training and proclamation efforts are supported through WELS Technology, Financial Services, and Communication Services (*WELS Connection, WELS Together, Forward in Christ*). WELS Ministry of Christian Giving encourages members to excel in the grace of giving and assists them in making planned gifts to support the gospel ministry of their congregations, synod, and WELS agencies. WELS Foundation provides giving instruments that individuals can use to support the Lord's work both now and alter they have gone to heaven. The Foundation also manages endowments for WELS ministries. WELS Investment Funds provides cost-effective, professionally managed investment portfolios to WELS ministries for endowment, scholarship, and long-term ministry support. WELS Church Extension Fund (CEF) provides grants and low-interest loans to mission congregations that are purchasing land and building churches. CEF's investments are available to individuals and organizations.

MLC MUSIC DIVISION: "Homecoming Music Showcase" on **Sun., Oct. 4, at 2:00 pm**. Students will present an eclectic program of music highlighting their work in the first half of the semester. Live-streamed at <http://mlc-wels.edu/concerts>.

MLC JOB OPPORTUNITY: Accepting applications for part-time **Early Childhood Learning Center Substitute Teachers**. More info can be found at mlc-wels.edu/hr or Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221

ALTAR FURNISHINGS: Our fund is currently at \$10,273 raised—God be praised! In order to purchase these pieces we will need roughly \$13,000.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- † Pastor: Pastor Petersen
- † Pianist: Susan Decker
- † Flute: Ashley Arnold
- † Small Choir: Carrie Fisher, Ruth Mitchell, Pastor Roloff, Jeff Siewert
- † AV: Stu Gilbert & Christy Roloff