

Sunday 9/6/1999



Central Lutheran Church

The 15th Sunday after Pentecost · September 5, 1999
11 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion · 7 p.m. Worship

Central congregation extends a warm welcome to all visitors, including today those attending the Welsh National Singing Festival — *Gymanfa Ganu*. The presence of visitors from around the country and around the world reminds us of the universal mission of the Church. We rejoice to share in these expressions of our common faith.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is tempted to abandon his calling and live a life of abundance, security and power. Jesus fends off the tempter, setting aside his human hungers and aspirations to trust in God alone. It is an example for us all.

The liturgy is reprinted from the Lutheran Book of Worship Setting II

Prelude Hymns from Wales *arr. Wilbur Held*

Opening Sentences

Processional Hymn *Green Book 233* Thy Strong Word *Ebenezer*

Please stand and face the cross as it is carried into the Sanctuary during the singing of the Processional Hymn.

Greeting

Minister

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Congregation

And also with you.

Kyrie



☐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord. ☑ Lord, have mer - cy.



☐ For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.

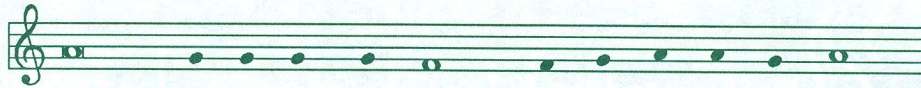


☑ Lord, have mer - cy.



☐ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

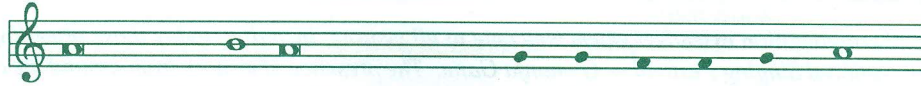
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and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



☩ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



☩ Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. ☩ A - men

Prayer of the Day

Minister The Lord be with you.

Congregation And also with you.

Minister Together let us pray.

Congregation **Almighty and eternal God, you know our problems and our weaknesses better than we ourselves. In your love and by your power help us in our confusion and, in spite of our weakness, make us firm in faith; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lesson **I Kings 8:22-24, 27-30**

The Reverend Margaret Thomas

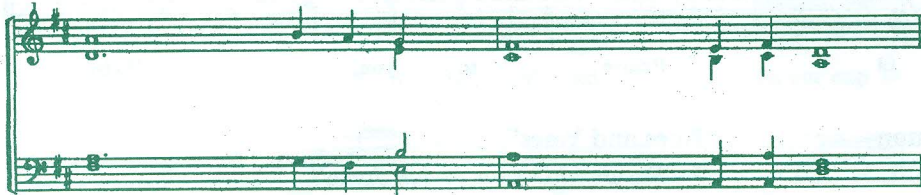
Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of the people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive."

Minister The Word of the Lord.

Congregation Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40

Tone



- Cantor** Teach me, O LORD, the way | of your statutes,*
and I shall keep it | to the end.
- Congregation** Give me understanding, and I shall | keep your law;*
I shall keep it with | all my heart.
- Cantor** Make me go in the path of | your commandments,*
for that is | my desire.
- Congregation** Incline my heart to | your decrees*
and not to | unjust gain.
- Cantor** Turn my eyes from watching | what is worthless,*
give me life | in your ways.
- Congregation** Fulfill your promise | to your servant,*
which you make to | those who fear you.
- Cantor** Turn away the reproach | which I dread,*
because your judg- | ments are good.
- Congregation** Behold, I long for | your commandments;*
in your righteousness pre- | serve my life.

The Gospel according to St. Matthew 4:1-10

Congregational response



Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God and serve only him.'"

Congregational response



Sermon "Noes and Yeses"
The Reverend Doctor Vivian Jones

Hymn of the Day *Green Book 91* Savior, When in Dust to You *Aberystwyth*

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.

Prayer of the Church

Minister Let us pray for the church, the world, and all who suffer in mind,
body, or spirit.

After each petition:

Minister Lord, in your mercy,
Congregation **Hear our prayer.**

Minister O God, grant us grace to trust your promises, that our lives may
bear fruit to the glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Congregation **Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Minister The peace of the Lord be with you always.
Congregation **And also with you.**

Parish Time

Offering *Jeremy Huw Williams*
The offering is received.

Offertory

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
 bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
 fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
 nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Minister
Congregation

Creator God,
the earth and all its fullness belong to you. We thank you for giving these things into our care, the growing of grain and grapes, the money we earn from our work. We offer these to you as signs of our faith and your love. Receive them for the sake of Jesus, who gives us himself in this holy meal. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
 Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Eucharistic Prayer

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Spoken first in Welsh, led by the Reverend E. D. Morgan

**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.**

Agnus Dei



☐ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

Distribution

Communion distribution will be at several stations in the room.

Please look to the ushers for direction.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Grape juice is available upon request, at the altar rail.

Prayers for healing are offered during communion distribution

in the Baptismal Chapel (to the right of the main altar).

Solo

Communion Hymn

Mary Pickens Opie

*Hungry and thirsty, Lord, I come to Thee, here lowly kneeling, Thy sacred feast before.
Strengthen my spirit with Thy food divine, as now Thou feed'st me with the bread and wine.
Come to me, Savior, in this holy hour, shed Thou upon me all Thy wondrous love, that I may
ever dwell within Thy light, and come before Thee stainless, pure, and white. Jesus, my
Savior, look with loving eye as from my heart I make this humble cry. Give of Thyself, dear
Lord, that I may be filled with Thy grace, throughout eternity. Amen.*

The Blessing

Prayer

Benediction

Congregation Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Llanfair

1. Y mae'r dy - ddiâu'n dod i ben— Dydd - iau hyf - ryd,
 2. Fe bre - ge - thir Ie - su a'i ras Mewn aw - dur - dod,
 1. Draw - ing near - er are the days, Al - le - lu - ia,
 2. They shall preach Christ and His grace, Al - le - lu - ia,

Y dyr - che - fir Bre - nin nen Dros yr holl - fyd;
 Yn yr In - dia e - ang fras Yn ddi - ddar - fod;
 When our God shall gain all praise, Al - le - lu - ia;
 To the throngs of ev - ery race, Al - le - lu - ia;

Fe â dwy - fol ang - au drud, Pen Cal - fa - ria
 Fe â sŵn yr ut - gorn clir Hyd yr ei - tha',
 News of Cal - vary's sav - ing worth, Al - le - lu - ia,
 They shall hear the trum - pet sound, Al - le - lu - ia,

Trwy ar - da - loedd pell - a'r byd, Ha - le - liw - ia.
 I'r gor - lle - win an - ial dir, Ha - le - liw - ia. A - men.
 Shall re - sound through - out the earth: Al - le - lu - ia.
 God's sal - va - tion all a - round: Al - le - lu - ia. A - men.

Dismissal

Minister Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
 Congregation Thanks be to God.

Postlude Love Divine All Love's Excelling *David Gawthorpe*

In Memoriam *Nelson L. Llewellyn, Executive Director Emeritus
 Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association
 Assisted by: Emily Wojahn and Blake Thomas*

Participants and Acknowledgements for our Worship

<i>Presiding Minister:</i>	Pastor Gordon Braatz
<i>Preaching Minister:</i>	The Reverend Doctor Vivian Jones <i>Rhos, Pontardawe, Wales</i>
<i>Assisting Ministers:</i>	The Reverend E. D. Morgan, <i>Prayer</i> <i>Llanelli, Wales</i> The Reverend Margaret Thomas, <i>Lector</i> <i>Synod Executive, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.</i>
<i>Musicians:</i>	Jeremy Huw Williams, <i>Soloist</i> <i>Cardiff, Wales</i> Kathryn Ananda-Owens, <i>Piano</i> <i>Northfield, Minnesota</i> Phil Mennicke, <i>Tenor</i> Charles Parsons, <i>Music Director & Organist</i>
<i>Acolytes:</i>	Ingrid Holm and Emily Maeder
<i>Crucifer:</i>	Jerry Sellman
<i>Central's Pastoral Staff:</i>	Pastor Craig J. Lewis Pastor Elizabeth W. Beissel Pastor Gordon A. Braatz Pastor Cherian C. Puthiyottil

Central welcomes visitors: Please use a Visitor Card from the pew rack to let us know of your presence. We would be pleased to get to know you.

Joining Central: If you are interested in becoming a member, please fill out a Visitor Card or call one of Central's pastors, 612-870-4416. A class for new members will be held on Sunday, September 19 from 8:45-10:30 a.m. in the Lower Narthex. New members will be received at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, September 26.

Name tags can help welcome all who visit and worship with us. Please wear your name tag to church each Sunday morning, and introduce yourself to someone you have not met. If you do not have a name tag, please contact Kathy Herheim at 612-870-4454 ext. 617.

Central's pastors encourage you to inform them when you experience life events which open doors to prayer, counsel, and the encouragement of the Gospel — birth, hospitalization, separation, loss, death. Please contact the church office at 612-870-4416 so we might know how we can be of help.

Welcome families with children. Children are welcome at all services. If you choose to use our nursery, which is located on the second floor in the education building, an usher will be glad to assist you.

The chancel flowers are in honor of Krista and Craig Martin, who were married at Central on September 5, 1998, and in thankfulness for the musical gifts of Charles Parsons, given by Richard, Kathryn, Eric and George Johnson. If you would like to order flowers, please call Margaret Herum, 612-823-0049, at least one week in advance.

Large print bulletins are available for worshipers every Sunday morning. Please ask an usher for a copy.

Audio cassette tapes of Central's 9 and 11 a.m. worship services are available. Please stop in the Book Nook or call the church office for more information.

Central's Sunday morning worship service can be heard at 10 a.m. on KKMS (980 AM). **Compline** can be heard at 9 p.m. on WCAL (89.3 FM).

All worshipers are encouraged to return today at 2:30 p.m. or 7 p.m., for four-part congregational singing of Welsh hymns. Singing will be led by Meirwyn Walters of South Hamilton, Massachusetts. Seating will be arranged by voice (soprano, alto, tenor, bass), and hymns will be sung in both English and Welsh. Please do not let lack of familiarity with Welsh hymns or language deter you from participating in this uplifting spiritual experience. There will be a small admission charge, and hymnals will be available for purchase at the door. *Côr Cymry Gogledd America/The North American Welsh Choir* will sing a selection at both sessions; at the afternoon session, a Welsh youth choir will sing, and Jeremy Huw Williams will sing. All are welcome.

Central's 7 p.m. Worship will be held in All Saints Chapel in Fellowship Hall.

Next Sunday

Worship at 10 a.m.

September 12 — The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

"Homecoming Sunday"

Preaching: Pastor Craig J. Lewis

9:30 a.m. — Special Music in the Sanctuary

Beacon Hill Brass

Gospel Choir, Dr. Nathaniel Wilson & Company

Charles Parsons

10:00 a.m. — One combined worship service in the Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. — Dedication of the Parking Facility in the Parking Lot

12 Noon - 2:00 p.m. — Activities in the Parking Lot

Fall style picnic, \$5.00 per person

Entertainment by Ingapirca South American Folk Music

A 100-year old Dutch calliope

Activities for adults and children alike

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Events

- If you would like to contribute towards the **disaster relief** effort for Turkey, please make your check out to Central Lutheran and mark "For disaster relief" and place it in the offering plate. Central will forward all contributions to the appropriate agency.
- *The Reluctant Dissenter* by James Patrick Shannon is available for purchase in the South Commons today. Shannon will be speaking at 10 a.m. and at a luncheon on September 19 at 12:30 p.m. Following the luncheon Shannon will be available to sign books.
- **On Fridays** from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, Central member Berde Grass teaches the fundamentals of line dancing. This is an excellent way to exercise, laugh, and have fun. Come comfortably dressed, ready to dance!

Volunteer Opportunities

- **Get involved!** Is God's Spirit nudging you to share your gifts through education ministries? There are numerous ministry openings with children, youth and adults in Central's fall programs. Not sure what you have to offer, but would like to be involved? Call Linda Silrum at 612-870-4454 ext. 620.
- **Wanted: Youth Ministry Leaders!** We are presently recruiting adults interested in working with our junior and senior high youth this coming school year. Interested? Call Dave Wrightsman at 612-870-4454 ext. 663.

Central Senior Adults

- **Take a trip** this Wednesday, September 8 to Red Wing, MN, to visit the St. James Hotel, LaGrange Park and the Red Wing Shoe Museum. The bus will depart Central at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Skyway Connection Events — Located on the Skyway in the Hilton Towers. Brochures are available in the South Commons. To volunteer as a host at the Skyway Connection, call Mary Oelke, 612-935-3104.

- **Summer hours:** Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday "Noon" Programs (12:10-12:50 p.m.):**
 - September 15:** book study *Listening for God, Vol.2* led by Pastor Elizabeth Beissel.
 - September 22:** worship led by Pastor Cherian Puthiyottil.
 - September 29:** Table Talk "*Adjusting to Retirement*" led by Pastor Gordon Braatz
- **Noon Bible Studies:**
 - Thursdays:** "Journey with God: A Study of Exodus," with Pastor Cherian C. Puthiyottil. (September 9, 16, 23 and 30)
 - Fridays:** "Lessons Alive," with the Rev. Gary Wilkerson (September 10 and 24) and Pastor Cherian Puthiyottil (September 17.)
- **Prayers for Healing:** 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 22.

Martin's Mavericks — Christians in their 20's and 30's rebelling against secular society, and having fun doing it! For more information call the Martin's Mavericks' Hotline, 612-903-4020, or send e-mail to mmavericks@centralmpls.org

Youth — For information or to sign up for an activity, call the Youth Office, 612-870-4454 ext. 663.

- **Confirmation Orientation is coming!** All upcoming 7 - 9 graders and parents are asked to come to your appropriate orientation session (all sessions are held on Wednesday evenings): 9th grade - September 8; 8th grade - September 15; and 7th grade - September 22. Watch your mail in late August for registration materials.

Children — Watch your mail for more details.

- *Super Wednesday starts September 15*
- Sunday School starts on September 19.

Gay/Lesbian Community — Provides social, educational, service, and outreach opportunities. Pick up a copy of the current newsletter at the Information Desk in the South Commons. *For more information or to be added to the mailing list, contact the*



612-870-4416

September 14. Meet at 7 p.m. at the Skyway Convention

For more information or to be added to the mailing list, contact the
Lecturers
and Communications
4-1-11; Mark 6-1-11; John 6-1-11

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Sunday Evening at Central

Worship, 7 p.m.

Prelude

The Service of Light

Green Book, page 142

Psalmody

Psalm 119:33-40

Green Book, page 274

The Psalm is read responsively by verse, beginning with the Minister.

The Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

The Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Homily

“Welcome and Welcome”

Hymn

Green Book 126 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Parish Time

Offering

Give God, The Father, Praise
The Offering is received

Heinrich Schütz

Confession

Green Book, page 155 (left column)

Prayers

Holy Communion

Prayers for Healing

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive these gifts of God.
Grape juice is available upon request at the altar rail.*

Blessing

Dismissal

Participants

Pastor Elizabeth Beissel, *Preaching*

Pastor Gordon Braatz, *Presiding*

Debra Thelen, *Lector*

Joyce Larson, *Organist*

Deborah Richman, *Cantor*

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