

Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
Redfield, South Dakota  
Pastor Brian Wasmoen

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9 am September 13, 2020

"Hymns - ELW" Service of Word & Prayer \*Stand if able

Prelude

Announcements

Greeting

**Psalm 103:8-13**

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> **He will not always accuse,  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

<sup>10</sup> He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

<sup>11</sup> **For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear  
him;**

<sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west,  
so far he removes our transgressions from us.

<sup>13</sup> **As a father has compassion for his children,  
so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.**

**Opening Hymn "Softly and Tenderly" . . . . . #608**

**Litany**

The Word is near you.

**On your lips and in your heart.**

If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

**And believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead,  
you will be saved.**

Faith comes from what is heard,

**And what is heard comes through the word of Christ.**

**Hymn of the Month "Praise the One..." . . . . . #843**

**Prayer of the day:**

**O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your  
perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail;  
remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us  
toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord. Amen**

First Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

Second Reading: Romans 14:1-12

\*Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-35

**\*Scripture Song "Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive" . . . . . #605**

**\*Greeting and Peace**

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" . . . #742**

**Litany**

In Christ you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your  
salvation

**We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the  
promised Holy Spirit.**

**Apostles' Creed**

**Litany**

Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;

**Pray in the Holy Spirit.**

Keep yourselves in the love of God

**Look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation

**Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has  
become new!**

Confession and Forgiveness

Offering

**Offering Hymn "Praise and Thanksgiving" . . . . . #689**

Prayers

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Lord's Prayer**

Blessing and Dismissal

*(Distribution of Communion as Dismissed)*

**Sending Hymn "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" . . . . . #733**

*Thanks to those assisting with our Worship!*

Accompanist: Dana Lewis

Lector: LeAnn Wasmoen

Song Leader: Mallory McMahan

Communion Servers: Diane Dangel, Diane Odegaard

*Contact Pastor or Diane Dangel to assist on Sundays.*

**Radio Broadcast today:** In memory of Connie Hansen from  
family and friends.

**The Bulletins** are given in memory of Adolph Rohrbach whose  
birthday was on September 17 and in honor of Mike & Anna  
Rohrbach's 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 17 from  
Bernice Rohrbach.

**Our sympathy** to Michel & Betty Brink. Betty's mom, Mavonne  
Neu, passed away the past week.

**Pew Refinishing:** The council invites you to "sponsor a pew" at  
the cost of \$200.00 per pew or to donate whatever you can to  
our Sanctuary Fund to keep the work going.

**Wednesday plans** have not yet been made – for classes, meal,  
worship or FINK. Much will depend on the pandemic. **Parents  
can** have input by responding to the posted survey. We also  
need teachers to have classes. The council will make the final  
decision about our schedule.

**The Food Pantry** is in need of supplies. Help those less fortunate  
by picking up items when you shop and "Fill the Cart". Henry  
and Diane Dunkel are very faithfully delivering these items.

**Items needed for Health Kits:** 28 towels-prefer dark colors,  
4 - 4oz or 6 - 3oz bars of soap & 8 - nail clippers.

**Help yourself to the Veggies** in the Pepsi Refrigerator in room #2.  
If you have extras from your garden to share they can be put  
there.

**Hospitalized** – Robert Fuss, Creighton Hoots, Irene Davis,  
Sandra Blume

**Call the Office to sponsor a Bulletin**

**September 20, 27. October 4, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, &  
22. Cost \$ 25.00.**

**Or a Radio Broadcast**

**September 20, 27. October 4, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22  
& 29. Cost \$ 75.00.**

**Operating Offering last week - \$ 2,010.00**

**Sanctuary Fund, Pews - \$1,200.00**

**World Hunger - \$ 25.00**

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### **#608 Softly and Tenderly**

1. Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.  
See on the portals he's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.

**Refrain: Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home.**

**Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home."**

2. Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me?  
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, Mercies for you and for me?

**Refrain:**

3. Oh, for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me!  
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me.

**Refrain:**

### **#843 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness**

1. Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;  
Praise the one who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the one who preached the gospel, healing ev'ry dread disease,  
Calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

2. Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word;  
Praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing, two edged sword.  
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;  
From this well comes living water quenching thirst in ev'ry land.

3. Praise the one true love incarnate; Christ, who suffered in our place;  
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the one who makes us one.

### **#605 Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive**

1. "Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray;  
But you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.

2. How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

3. In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew;  
How trifling others' debts to us; how great our debt to you!

4. Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease;  
Then by your mercy reconciled, our lives will spread your peace.

### **#742 What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!

2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged – take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness – take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
In his arms he'll take and shield you, you will find a solace there.

### **#689 Praise and Thanksgiving**

1. Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer for all things living, you have made good;  
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard, hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

2. God, bless the labor we bring to serve you, that with our neighbor we may be fed.  
sowing or tilling, we would work with you, harvesting, milling for daily bread.

3. Father, providing food for your children, by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share  
one with another, so that, rejoicing with us, all others may know your care.

4. Then will your blessing reach ev'ry people. freely confessing your gracious hand.  
Where you are reigning, no one will hunger; your love sustaining showers the land.

### **##733 Great is Thy Faithfulness**

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not; as thou has been, thou forever wilt be.

**Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!**

**Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;  
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**

2. Summer and winter and spring-time and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness mercy, and love.

**Refrain:**

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**Refrain:**

## Genesis 50:15-21

15 Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, 'What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?' <sup>16</sup>So they approached\* Joseph, saying, 'Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup>"Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you." Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.' Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>Then his brothers also wept,\* fell down before him, and said, 'We are here as your slaves.' <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, 'Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup>So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.' In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

## Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith,\* but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. <sup>2</sup>Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. <sup>4</sup>Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord\* is able to make them stand.

5 Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. <sup>6</sup>Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

7 We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

10 Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister?\* Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister?\* For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God.\* <sup>11</sup>For it is written,

'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to\* God.'

<sup>12</sup>So then, each of us will be accountable to God.\*

## Matthew 18:21-35

21 Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church\* sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven\* times.

23 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents\* was brought to him; <sup>25</sup>and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii;\* and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." <sup>29</sup>Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." <sup>30</sup>But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" <sup>34</sup>And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. <sup>35</sup>So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister\* from your heart.'