

Divine Service Setting Three – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – August 9, 2020

St. John Lutheran Church, Crete (Kramer), NE

Welcome in the name of Christ Jesus

804 O Worship the King



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.  
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,  
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?



O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;  
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;  
Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.  
And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust  
and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust,  
nor find Thee to fail.  
Thy mercies, how tender,  
how firm to the end,  
Our maker, defender,  
redeemer, and friend!

6 O measureless Might,  
ineffable Love,  
While angels delight  
to hymn Thee above,  
Thy humbler creation,  
though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration  
shall sing to Thy praise.

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## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** 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.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*See Insert*

### Kyrie

**C** **♪ Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## Hymn of Praise

### 817 Earth and All Stars



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets! Sing to the  
2 Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm! Sing to the  
3 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals! Sing to the  
4 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers! Sing to the



Lord a new song! Oh, vic - to - ry! Loud shout - ing  
Lord a new song! Flow - ers and trees! Loud rus - tling  
Lord a new song! Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming  
Lord a new song! Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing



ar - my! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
dry leaves! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
cel - los! Sing to the Lord a new song!  
work - ers! Sing to the Lord a new song!

#### *Refrain*



He has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too will praise Him with a new song!

5 Classrooms and labs!  
Loud boiling test tubes!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Athlete and band!  
Loud cheering people!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Refrain

6 Knowledge and truth!  
Loud sounding wisdom!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Daughter and son!  
Loud praying members!  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Refrain

7 Children of God,  
Dying and rising,  
Sing to the Lord a new song!  
Heaven and earth,  
Hosts everlasting,  
Sing to the Lord a new song! Refrain

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## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** 🎵 **And with thy spirit.**  
**P** Let us pray. ... one God, now and forever.  
**C** 🎵 **Amen.**

*Sit*

## Old Testament

*See Insert*

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*See Insert*

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Alleluia

- C** 🎵 **Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## Gospel

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.  
**C** 🎵 **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

*See Insert*

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C** 🎵 **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## Apostles' Creed

- C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
 From thence 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.

*Sit*

### 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave



1 God loved the world so that He gave His on - ly  
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, Who was made  
 3 God would not have the sin - ner die; His Son with  
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son For - gives all



Son the lost to save, That all who would in  
 flesh and suf - fered death; All then who trust in  
 sav - ing grace is nigh; His Spir - it in the  
 sins which you have done; And, jus - ti - fied by



Him be - lieve Should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.  
 Him a - lone Are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.  
 Word de - clares How we in Christ are heav - en's heirs.  
 Je - sus' blood, Your Bap - tism grants the high - est good.

5 If you are sick, if death is near,  
 This truth your troubled heart  
 can cheer:  
 Christ Jesus saves your soul  
 from death;  
 That is the firmest ground of faith.

△ 6 Glory to God the Father, Son,  
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
 To You, O blessed Trinity,  
 Be praise now and eternally!

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## Sermon

*“Walking on the Sea” Job 38:4-28 and Matthew 14:22-33*

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Offertory

**C**  Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.  
Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** 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.

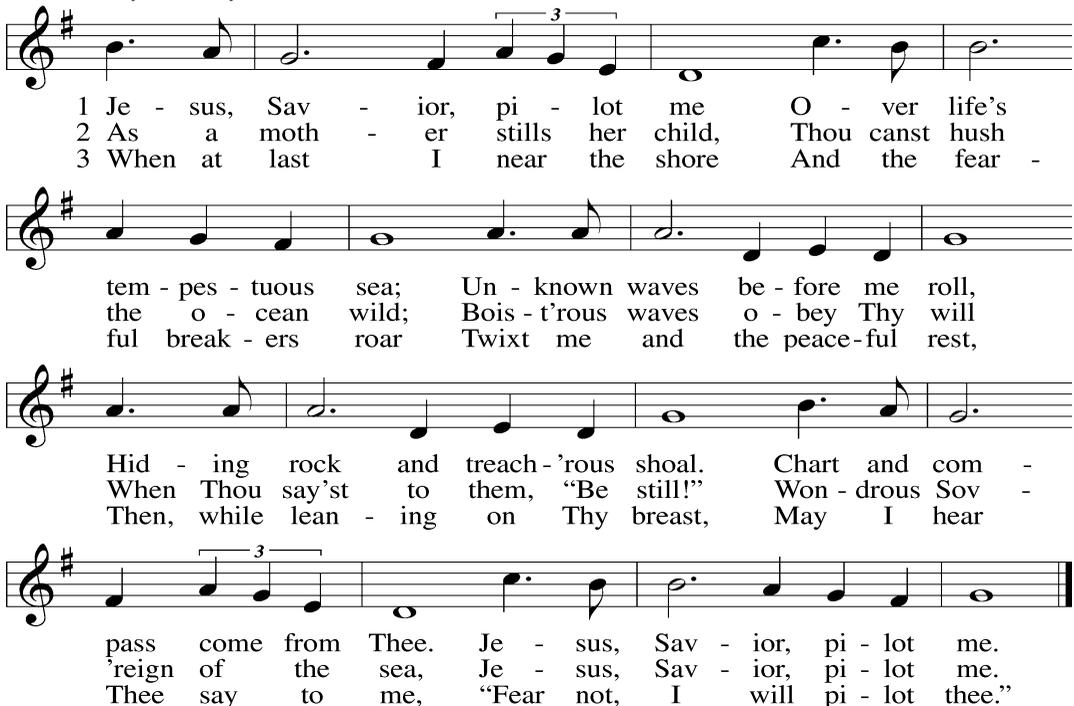
## Benedicamus

- A** Bless we the Lord.
- C**  Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\dagger$  give you peace.
- C**  Amen, amen, amen.

## 715 Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me



1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me O - ver life's  
2 As a moth - er stills her child, Thou canst hush  
3 When at last I near the shore And the fear -

tem - pes - tuous sea; Un - known waves be - fore me roll,  
the o - cean wild; Bois - t'rous waves o - bey Thy will  
ful break - ers roar Twixt me and the peace - ful rest,

Hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal. Chart and com -  
When Thou say'st to them, "Be still!" Won - drous Sov -  
Then, while lean - ing on Thy breast, May I hear

pass come from Thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.  
Thee say to me, "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

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# Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2020

**INTROIT** Ps. 34:4–8; antiphon: Ps. 34:1

I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
I sought the LORD, and he | answered me\*  
and delivered me from | all my fears.  
Those who look to him are | radiant,\*  
and their faces shall never | be ashamed.  
This poor man cried, and the LORD | heard him\*  
and saved him out of all his | troubles.  
The angel of the LORD encamps around those who | fear him,\*  
and de- | livers them.  
Oh, taste and see that the | LORD is good!\*  
Blessèd is the man who takes ref- | uge in him!  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**  
I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

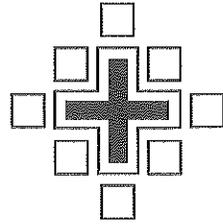
Almighty and most merciful God, preserve us from all harm and danger that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish what You want done; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**GRADUAL** Ps. 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*  
for those who fear him lack | nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*  
but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

## DAILY READINGS

**August 9:** 1 Sam. 25:1–22; 1 Cor. 3:1–23; **10:** 1 Sam. 25:23–44; 1 Cor. 4:1–21; **11:** 1 Sam. 26:1–25; 1 Cor. 5:1–13; **12:** 1 Sam. 28:3–25; 1 Cor. 6:1–20; **13:** 1 Sam. 31:1–13; 1 Cor. 7:1–24; **14:** 2 Sam. 1:1–27; 1 Cor. 7:25–40; **15:** 2 Sam. 5:1–25; 1 Cor. 8:1–13.



## Old Testament Reading: Job 38:4–18

<sup>4</sup> [The LORD said to Job:]

“Where were you when I laid the foundation  
of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

<sup>5</sup> Who determined its measurements—surely  
you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

<sup>6</sup> On what were its bases sunk,  
or who laid its cornerstone,

<sup>7</sup> when the morning stars sang together  
and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

<sup>8</sup> “Or who shut in the sea with doors  
when it burst out from the womb,

<sup>9</sup> when I made clouds its garment  
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

<sup>10</sup> and prescribed limits for it  
and set bars and doors,

<sup>11</sup> and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no  
farther,

and here shall your proud waves be  
stayed”?

<sup>12</sup> “Have you commanded the morning since  
your days began,

and caused the dawn to know its place,  
<sup>13</sup> that it might take hold of the skirts of the  
earth,

and the wicked be shaken out of it?

<sup>14</sup> It is changed like clay under the seal,  
and its features stand out like a garment.

<sup>15</sup> From the wicked their light is withheld,  
and their uplifted arm is broken.

<sup>16</sup> “Have you entered into the springs of the sea,  
or walked in the recesses of the deep?

<sup>17</sup> Have the gates of death been revealed to you,  
or have you seen the gates of deep dark-  
ness?

<sup>18</sup> Have you comprehended the expanse of the  
earth?

Declare, if you know all this.”

## Epistle: Romans 10:5–17

<sup>5</sup> Moses writes about the righteousness that  
is based on the law, that the person who does  
the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup>But the  
righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say  
in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’”  
(that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup>or “‘Who will  
descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ  
up from the dead). <sup>8</sup>But what does it say? “The

word is near you, in your mouth and in your  
heart” (that is, the word of faith that we pro-  
claim); <sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth  
that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that  
God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

<sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified,  
and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

<sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes  
in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is  
no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same  
Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all  
who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on  
the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom  
they have not believed? And how are they to  
believe in him of whom they have never heard?  
And how are they to hear without someone  
preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless  
they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful  
are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

<sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For  
Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has  
heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing,  
and hearing through the word of Christ.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:22–33

<sup>22</sup>Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get  
into the boat and go before him to the other side,  
while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he  
had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the  
mountain by himself to pray. When evening  
came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but the boat by this  
time was a long way from the land, beaten by the  
waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And in  
the fourth watch of the night he came to them,  
walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw  
him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and  
said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear.  
<sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying,  
“Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

<sup>28</sup>And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you,  
command me to come to you on the water.”

<sup>29</sup>He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat  
and walked on the water and came to Jesus.

<sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and  
beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.”

<sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and  
took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little  
faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup>And when they got  
into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in  
the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are  
the Son of God.”

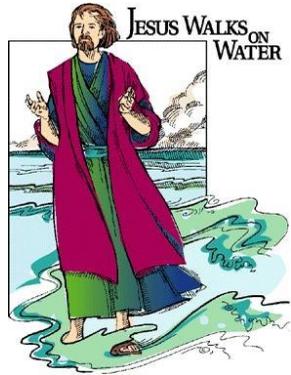
## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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**THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** **AUGUST 9, 2020**

**WE WARMLY WELCOME YOU TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE ON THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. *Christ the Crucified Comes to Save Us by the Word of Faith.*** The Lord who “*laid the foundation of the earth*” (Job 38:4) is the Author and Giver of life who governs all things by His Word. His wisdom and power are beyond our understanding, except as He reveals Himself in



the incarnate Word, Christ Jesus. He has “*entered into the springs of the sea*” and “*walked in the recesses of the deep*” (Job 38:16), and He draws near to us in mercy. We have been “*a long way from the land, beaten by the waves*” and tossed about by hostile winds (Matt. 14:24). In our mortality and sinful unbelief, we do not always recognize the Lord Jesus. But as we cry out in fear, He speaks tenderly to us, “*Do not be afraid,*” and He reaches out His hand to save us (Matt. 14:27, 31). “*Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved*” (Rom. 10:13), and now we call upon Him in faith,

because we have heard “*through the word of Christ*” (Rom. 10:17). “*The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart*” (Rom. 10:8). The readings today are as follows: the Old Testament Reading is Job 38:4-18, the Epistle Reading is Romans 10:5-17, and the Holy Gospel Reading is Matthew 14:22-33. The sermon texts today are Job 38:4-18 and Matthew 14:22-33. The sermon is “Walking on the Sea”.

**TODAY’S LIFE QUOTE...** “[W]hen a child is adopted into a family, there is a real family formed there. Our entire Gospel is at stake in that recognition because there is no such thing as an ‘adopted child,’ only children who were adopted. Adopted in the New Testament is a past-tense verb, not an adjective.” Dr. Russell D. Moore, author of “Adopted for Life: The Priority of Adoption for Christian Families” and chair of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. – **A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)**

## PRAYERS OF THE FAMILY OF GOD....

**For God’s continued care:** *All who have been infected with COVID-19, Matt Albrecht (Dave and Deanna Eggert’s son-in-law), Maureen Betts, Petra Dewey, Darleen Dittmer, Tim Hardt, Tammy Homolka, John Howlett, Norman Johnson (Linda Lee’s father), Titus Kotas (Heath Dewey’s close friend), Amy Munro Kounovsky, Dan Murphy, Elmer Reetz, Lisa Ulrich (Blythe Dewey’s mother), Olga Weidner, Noreen Wild*

**Those in our congregation who are shut in:** *Loren Beck, Albert Vosika, August Wendelin*

## PARISH NEWS AND NOTES

**A Few FAQ’s about in-person worship during pandemic: Why does Pastor read lessons and preach from the altar?** Pastor thinks it is important to practice distancing measures. The front pews are very close to the pulpit and the lectern. In order to keep distance, Pastor preaches from the middle altar area when a family is sitting in the front pew by the pulpit and reads the lessons from there when there are members in the front pews or when an organist is at the Clavinova by the lectern.

**Why does Pastor take off his mask at certain times?** Communicating the Gospel is important and should be done openly and with clarity—which includes some visual perceptions. Pastor takes off his mask when he makes the declaration that your sins are forgiven, when preaching about salvation in Christ, and when the benediction is given. Consider these words in the benediction: “The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.” Doesn’t that communicate better when there is no mask covering that spoken blessing? So, at these times, for the sake of good communication of God’s Word and blessing, Pastor removes his mask.

**Why is Pastor keeping to some distancing measures, including during Holy Communion?** Pastor Toensing desires to serve the entire membership of the congregation faithfully and safely. He visits shut-ins and/or those who are most vulnerable to more severe effects of viruses and contagions. Therefore, the Elders are

assisting Pastor in keeping with health department distancing measures for the sake of those who are concerned with maintaining good health.

**WORSHIP SERVICE** attendance for the August 2 and August 3 services has been reported as 91 members with 82 members joining in Holy Communion. The Worship Service was recorded and put on [www.stjohnkramer.org](http://www.stjohnkramer.org) website. Once again, thank you to all who have made this possible for all of us!

**RESERVED...**basement and quilt room Tuesday, August 11, from 9:30am to 2pm--- this is not a scheduled quilting day

**AUGUST NEWSLETTER...**for those who do not get email, there is a printed copy of the August Newsletter available. Please ask the Elder that is on duty for a copy.

**INFORMATION UPDATE...**I am including in the worship folder the gold colored information update sheet. If you have any telephone, cell phone, email or even address changes, please let Chris in the church office know by email at [secretarystjohn@hotmail.com](mailto:secretarystjohn@hotmail.com) or you can complete the enclosed update sheet. Thank you for any updated information.

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**ABOUT THE COVER:** More than five thousand people pressed in on Jesus as He was seeking to withdraw to be by Himself. He did not turn them away but had compassion on them. He took what little was available, a mere five loaves and two fish, and gave them abundance. Our Lord also has compassion on us, feeding us in abundance with His gift of life, which was won for us by His cross and resurrection.