

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church
1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

June 10th, 2018

Third Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 & 10:15 a.m. Services

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

Gathering

(10:15) Anthem

Amber Meadows by Paul McKlveen
A CaBELLa Ringers

(Please stand as you are able)

Call to Worship based on Psalm 100

- A** This is the day that you have made, LORD.
- C** **Let us rejoice in it and be glad!**
- A** Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- C** **Worship the LORD with gladness; come before the LORD with joyful songs.**
- A** Know that the LORD is God.
- C** **God is our maker, to whom we belong; we are God's people, the sheep in God's flock.**
- A** Enter the temple gates with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and praise God's name.
- C** **For the LORD is good and God's love endures forever. God's faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Gathering Song

#825 You Servants of God

Opening Litany for "*A House Divided? A Family Restored*" Sunday

- P** Behold how good and pleasant it is for siblings to dwell together in unity!
- C** **May peace and harmony reign where hate and vengeance once ruled.**
- P** When fear divides God's people and tears them apart.
- C** **We are still united by God's love.**
- P** In nations and countries around the world, where battle lines are drawn and long-standing conflicts rage on.
- C** **Bid our divisions cease.**
- P** In homes where forgiveness has yet to be offered,
- C** **Be our King of Peace.**

Gospel Reading

Mark 3:20-35

In response to charges that he is possessed, Jesus wonders aloud how anyone who is demon-possessed can cast out demons. Those who do the will of God are possessed by the Holy Spirit, sisters and brothers of Christ.

Gospel Response

P The Gospel of the Lord for you this day.

C **Thanks be to God.**

(Please be seated)

(8:30) Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Christopher Manke

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn of the Day

#684 Creating God, your Fingers Trace

(Prayer cards will be collected during the Hymn)

(Please be seated)

Baptisms

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Calli Rae Clark (8:30)

Garner Reed Tanem (10:15)

Rowan Ward (10:15)

(Please stand as you are able)

The Apostles' Creed

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(Please be seated)

Congregation's Welcome to the Baptized

C **Calli** (8:30), **Garner** (10:15) and **Rowan** (10:15), we receive you as our own, and as God's own child(ren). We promise to pray for you, care for you and speak God's Word to you. We promise to support your parents as they set about the holy task of raising you up in Christ. Welcome to God's Family!

(Please stand as you are able)

Prayers of Intercession

P Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world and the church, and all people in need.

P ...We pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, hear our prayer.**

P By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

10:15 Mission Trip Commissioning

P We are baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and each of us is given gifts to use for the good of all. You have been given many gifts to build up the body of Christ.
L Jesus sets for us an example of service, acting with compassion to heal, feed, and serve others; telling his disciples that he came not to be served but to serve, and He asks us to follow that example. In the gospel of Matthew:
C **Jesus tells us to go and make disciples of all nations.**
L In the gospel of Luke:
C **Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit to be with us.**
L In the gospel of John:
C **Jesus tells us, "As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."**
P Do you recognize your mission of being sent forth by God to use your gifts to serve others?

Team: We do.

P Do you accept your mission as a commission from God to go and act on God's behalf? And do you accept the responsibility of representing this congregation in doing the work of God in the world?

Team: We do.

P Will you work to demonstrate Christ's teachings by acting in love, patience, and humility, by opening your hearts and minds to the experiences of others, turning strangers into friends and friends into brothers and sisters?

Team: We will.

P Do you commit yourselves to serving faithfully on this trip in ways that bring honor and glory to God? Will you serve with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, treasuring your experiences as opportunities to learn and to grow?

Team: We will.

P Do you, the congregation of St. Matthew's, support these people as they seek to extend our Christian love and concern to others?
C **We do!**

(8:30) Choral Benediction

The Lord Bless You and Keep You by John Rutter
Senior Choir

(10:15) Graduation Recognition

- A** O Spirit of God, bless the lives of these graduates with your gifts.
- C** **May their futures be filled with your goodness and grace.**
- A** O Spirit of wisdom and understanding, we thank you for equipping these graduates to study and to learn.
- C** **May they continue to grow in all wisdom and understanding.**
- A** O Spirit of counsel and might, we thank you for listening to the prayers of these graduates and empowering them to pursue their goals.
- C** **May they continue to be strengthened and encouraged by you.**
- A** O Spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord, we thank you for expanding the minds of these graduates and drawing them closer to you.
- C** **May they continue to remain faithful to you by following your will.**
- A** O Spirit of joy in God's presence always, we thank you for this happy time in the lives of these graduates.
- C** **May they always be gladdened by your presence and your peace.**

(10:15) Graduate Blessing

- P** Let us pray. Almighty God, look with favor upon those who have completed another year of learning and growth. Give them courage, patience, and vision as they go their way; and strengthen us all in our vocation of witness to the world and service to others, for the sake of your whole creation and to the glory of your holy name both now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

(Please stand as you are able)

Blessing

- P** People of God, you have been called to be Disciples of Christ. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

Dismissal

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Postlude

Your presence has blessed our worship service. May you be strengthened by the strong word of God expressed through music and worship today. The peace of the Lord be with you as you go.