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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

Sunday, October 5, 2025 – 11:00 AM

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**PROCLAIMING CHRIST AND SHARING THE GOSPEL
Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday 2025**

(Series C)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

The theme for this year's LWML Sunday begins a four-year cycle focusing on the LWML Mission Statement — As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others. For Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday 2025 we focus on Proclaiming Christ.

Everything the Lutheran Women in Mission do begins with Christ's message of repentance and forgiveness. The Ascension text of "GO" (Luke 24:44–53) is the mission emphasis for Lutheran Women in Mission Sunday 2025. On Ascension Day, Jesus gave his followers an assignment "that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations." We, as the church of the Lord Jesus Christ, have a responsibility to proclaim the message of Christ, to be that body which proclaims repentance and forgiveness, showing forth the merciful Christ in what we do and say. As Lutheran Women in Mission we continue to support, encourage and uplift missionaries, and also provide physical support and compassion to all people. It is the proclamation of repentance and forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name that motivates us to do this work. All Glory be to Jesus!

PRELUDE

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE SONG - "For the Rest of My Days"

1, 3 Your love looks after me, it never fails
Your Word takes hold of me, and keeps my mind on you

2 You are majestic through all the earth
I am Your servant for the rest of my days
For the rest of my days

4 You are magnificent, the God of glory
I'm going to worship You for the rest of my days
For the rest of my days, for the rest of my days

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Stand

(The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 43:4, Habakkuk 2:4 adapt.

P I will go to the altar of God,

C to God my exceeding joy.

P Behold the proud, his soul is not upright,

C but the righteous shall live by his faith.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P When the Lord Jesus warned His disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come,” the apostles said, “Increase our faith!” Let us confess our own weakness and sin, asking the same of our gracious and merciful God.

C **O God, Your Law is true and my delight. Yet because we still feebly struggle against sin, we confess our weakness and failure to live according to Your holy will. Our lack of faithfulness toward You causes us to hesitate or even refuse to love and forgive our neighbors. O God, increase our faith! Forgive us and renew our minds and spirit that we may serve You by faithfully serving our neighbor.**

P Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. And in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, “by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of His own purpose and grace, which He gave us in Christ Jesus,” I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

P Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Christ, have mercy on us.**
Lord, have mercy on us.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

NICENE CREED

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both
the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

OPENING SONG – “Same Power”

- 1 I can see waters raging at my feet
I can feel the breath of those surrounding me
I can hear the sound of nations rising up
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome
- 2 I can walk down this dark and painful road
I can face every fear of the unknown
I can hear all God's children singing out
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome
- 3, 5 The same power that rose Jesus from the grave
8 The same power that commands the dead to wake
Lives in us, lives in us
The same power that moves mountains when He speaks
The same power that can calm a raging sea
Lives in us, lives in us
He lives in us, lives in us
- 4 We have hope that His promises are true
In His strength there is nothing we can't do
Yes, we know there are greater things in store
We will not be overtaken
We will not be overcome
- 6, 7 Greater is He that is living in me
He's conquered our enemy
No power of darkness
No weapon prevails
We stand here in victory

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 62:1-7

(Zion's Coming Salvation.)

- ¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.
- ²The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
- ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
- ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
- ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your sons marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.
- ⁶On your walls, O Jerusalem,
I have set watchmen;
all the day and all the night
they shall never be silent.
You who put the LORD in remembrance,
take no rest,
- ⁷and give him no rest
until he establishes Jerusalem
and makes it a praise in the earth.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 67

- L** ¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
C and make his face to shine upon us,
- L** ²that your way may be known on earth,
C your saving power among all nations.
- L** ³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!
- L** ⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
C for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
- L** ⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
C let all the peoples praise you!
- L** ⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
C God, our God, shall bless us.
- L** ⁷God shall bless us;
C let all the ends of the earth fear him!

EPISTLE

Romans 10:11-17

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

¹⁴But 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? ¹⁵And 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!" ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" ¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

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

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Luke 17:3b

- P** Alleluia. If your brother sins, rebuke him,
C and if he repents, forgive him. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:44-53

(The Ascension.)

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁴Then [Jesus] said to them, *“These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.”* ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, *“Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”*

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

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

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

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

C Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**
Sign up through the church office.

OFFERTORY - "Spirit Song" Ephesians 3:17

1 Oh, let the Son of God enfold you
With His Spirit and His love
Let Him fill your life and satisfy your soul
Oh, let Him have the things that hold you
And His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make it whole

2, 4, 5 Jesus, oh, Jesus come and fill Your lambs
Jesus, oh, Jesus come and fill Your lambs

3 Oh, come and sing the song of gladness
As your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name
Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness
Give Him all your years of pain
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

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LWML PLEDGE

- P** We speak the LWML Pledge together,
- C** **In fervent gratitude for the Savior's dying love and His blood-bought gift of redemption we dedicate ourselves to Him with all that we are and have; and in obedience to His call for workers in the harvest fields, we pledge Him our willing service wherever and whenever He has need of us. We consecrate to our Savior our hands to work for Him, our feet to go on His errands, our voice to sing His praises, our lips to proclaim His redeeming love, our silver and our gold to extend His Kingdom, our will to do His will, and every power of our life to the great task of bringing the lost and the erring into eternal fellowship with Him. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** Father in heaven, You give to Your people a spirit not of fear, but of power and self-control. Bless Your people with winsomeness and wisdom, that they might confidently speak Your Word in faith and love to all who will hear. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, remember our pastors whom You have called to a holy calling. Embolden them in their testimony concerning our Lord Jesus, and strengthen them by Your power to suffer courageously for the Gospel and guard the good deposit entrusted to them. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Everlasting Father, guide husbands and wives to love and forgive each other, and strengthen them in their life together. Help parents to be faithful examples for their children, and grant that orphans may know the joy of a home to call their own. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, hear us on behalf of those who exercise authority over us, who order us according to our laws, who execute justice and who defend us against our enemies. Bless our president; Congress; governor; legislature; and all who make, administer and judge our laws. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P God, our Rock, grant faith, perseverance and, if it is for their good, healing to those who are suffering from the effects of sin in their bodies or minds [*especially* _____]. Be their refuge so they are not shaken even in times of trouble. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Merciful Lord, Your Word became flesh and dwelt among us. This day we rejoice that our sins are forgiven in the washing of Baptism, the declaration of absolution, and the eating and drinking of the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Continually strengthen our faith through Your Word, and prepare our hearts to faithfully receive this divine gift, which brings the immortal body and blood of Jesus to our very lips. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Faithful God, strengthen us against all temptation and guard our steps, that in our weakness or in our liberty, we do not cause others to sin. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty and everlasting God, deliver us from temptation and the powers of evil, that we may be faithful unto death and receive from Your hand the crown of everlasting life. Whether we live or die, we belong to You. Comfort us with this promise, that we may join the company of the saints on Your appointed day and enter into the heavenly places to worship at Your throne on high; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore.

C **Amen.**

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an elder. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first. They then distribute the body and blood of Christ to those in the pews who are unable to come forward, and then finally to those who come forward.

Distribution and dismissal will be done by half tables.

LAMB OF GOD SONG

DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“We Fall Down”

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| 1, 5 | We fall down, we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus
The greatness of His mercy and love at the feet of Jesus |
| 2, 4, 6, 7 | We cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy
We cry holy, holy, holy is the Lamb |
| 3 | No more fears, You’ve dried our tears at the feet of Jesus
Grace abounds to all who’ve found, found the feet of Jesus |

“Still Waters” Psalm 23:2

- 1 Trembling on this ledge I’m standing on, please hear my call
I need to be secure in who You are, please break my fall
I missed Your will and followed mine
So now I’m asking one more time
- 2 Lead me to the still waters
Lead me to the still waters
Lead me to the place of serenity and grace by still waters
- 3 I left that place of peace and found this storm all on my own
I need to hear Your voice to lead me back where I belong
I need Your will, I don’t need mine
And now I’m asking one more time
- 4 Lead me to the still waters
Lead me to the still waters
Lead me to the still waters
Lead me to the place of serenity and grace by still waters
Lead me to the place of serenity and grace by still waters
Lead me to the place of serenity and grace by still waters
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Stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “The Lord be with you,”
“Peace be with you,” or “The peace of the Lord be with you”.*

CLOSING SONG - “Sing to the Lord (with all of Your Heart)”

- 1, 2, 4, 6 Sing to the Lord with all of your heart
Sing to Him a new song, sing to Him a new song
Sing to the Lord with all of your heart
Sing to Him a new song, sing to Him a new song
- 3, 5 Lift your voice, let your praises ring
Let every tongue glorify our King
Let’s become the generation who will passionately praise Him
Trusting in the greatness of our God
- 7 Sing to the Lord with all of your heart
Sing to Him a new song, sing to Him a new song
Sing to the Lord with all of your heart
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