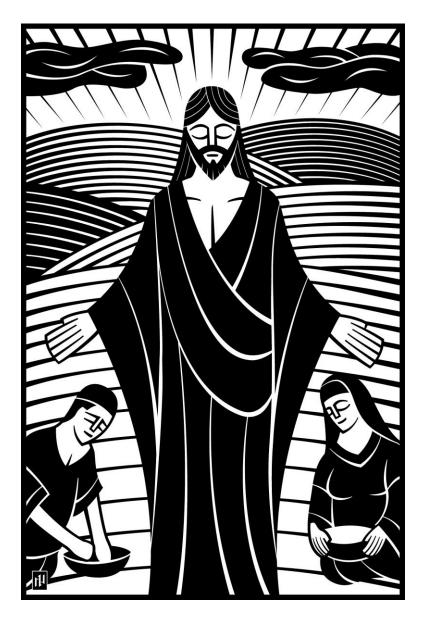
# Christ's Church preaches the good news of his forgiveness

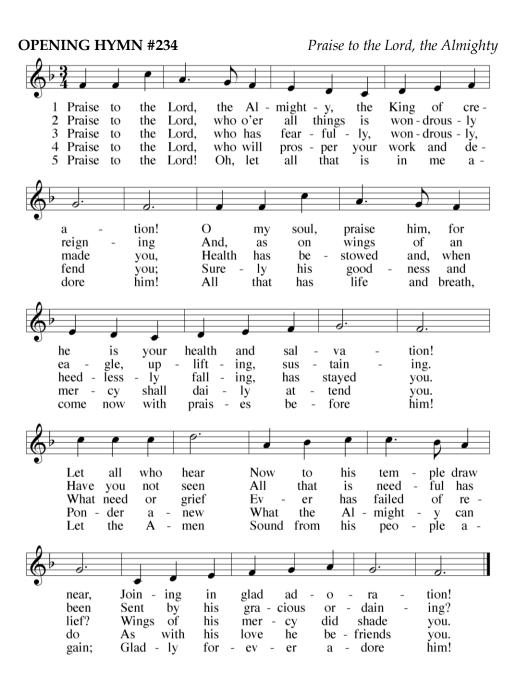


SHINING MOUNTAINS LUTHERAN CHURCH Bozeman, MT

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost – June 28th, 2020

## SERVICE OF THE WORD

Lutherans believe that the gospel is not only the good news that Jesus has saves sinners, but also a power God uses to create and strengthen faith in Jesus.



#### INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

### PRAYER AND PRAISE

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

Oh, Taste and See

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal;
It stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues forever.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Blessed are they who take refuge in him.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

<sup>2</sup>After they set out from Rephidim and came to the Wilderness of Sinai, they camped in the wilderness. Israel camped there in front of the mountain. <sup>3</sup>Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, "This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and to tell the people of Israel: <sup>4</sup>You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. <sup>5</sup>Now if you will carefully listen to my voice and keep my covenant, then you will be my special treasure out of all the nations, although the entire earth is mine. <sup>6</sup>You will be my kingdom of priests and my holy nation.' These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites." <sup>7</sup>Moses went and summoned the elders of the people, and he set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. <sup>8</sup>All the people answered together, "Everything that the LORD has said, we will do."

#### **PSALM OF THE DAY**

Psalm 100





Shout for joy to the LORD, <u>all</u> the earth.\*

Worship the LORD with <u>glad</u>ness;

come before him with joyful songs.\* Know that the <u>LORD</u> is God.

It is he who made us, and <u>we</u> are his;\*
we are his people, the sheep of his <u>pas</u>ture.

Refrain

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his <u>courts</u> with praise;\* give thanks to him and <u>praise</u> his name.

For the LORD is good and his love endures for<u>ever</u>;\* his faithfulness continues through all gener<u>a</u>tions.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

#### **SECOND READING**

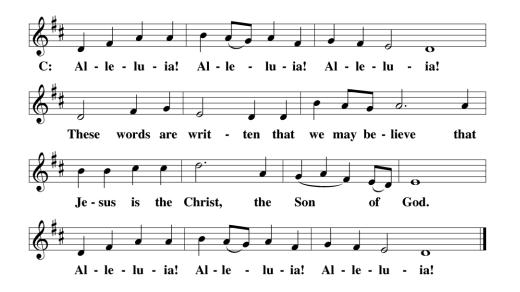
**Romans 5:6-11** 

<sup>6</sup>For at the appointed time, while we were still helpless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>It is rare indeed that someone will die for a righteous person. Perhaps someone might actually go so far as to die for a person who has been good to him. <sup>8</sup>But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup>Therefore, since we have now been justified by his blood, it is even more certain that we will be saved from God's wrath through him. <sup>10</sup>For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, it is even more certain that, since we have been reconciled, we will be saved by his life. <sup>11</sup>And not only is this so, but we also go on rejoicing confidently in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received this reconciliation.

#### VERSE OF THE DAY

Psalm 132:9

M: Alleluia. May your priests be clothed with righteousness; may your saints sing for joy. Alleluia.



## GOSPEL Matthew 9:35-10:8

<sup>35</sup>Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every sickness.

<sup>36</sup>When he saw the crowds, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and downcast, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup>Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup>Therefore pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out workers into his harvest."

<sup>10:1</sup>Jesus called his twelve disciples to himself and gave them authority to drive out unclean spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. <sup>2</sup>These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee and his brother John; <sup>3</sup>Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; <sup>4</sup>Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

<sup>5</sup>Jesus sent these twelve out and commanded them, "Do not go among the Gentiles, and do not enter any town of the Samaritans. <sup>6</sup>Go instead to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. <sup>7</sup>As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near!' <sup>8</sup>Heal the sick. Raise the dead. Cleanse lepers. Drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give."





#### **SERMON**

#### APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

#### **OFFERING**

Our offerings are an expression of thankfulness for what our Savior has done for us, and a way of supporting the spread of the gospel through the Church's work.

You can send your offering via mail to 1710 Vaquero Parkway - Bozeman, MT 59718

Or you can give electronically by scanning this code that will take you to our <u>secure giving site</u>.



#### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M: O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.
- C: We praise you for every grace and blessing.
- M: Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.
- C: Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.
- M: We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state, and local governments.
- C: Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.
- M: Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.
- C: Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.
- M: Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will

- promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.
- C: Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.
- M: Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.
- C: Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M: Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.
- C: Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

#### **BLESSING**

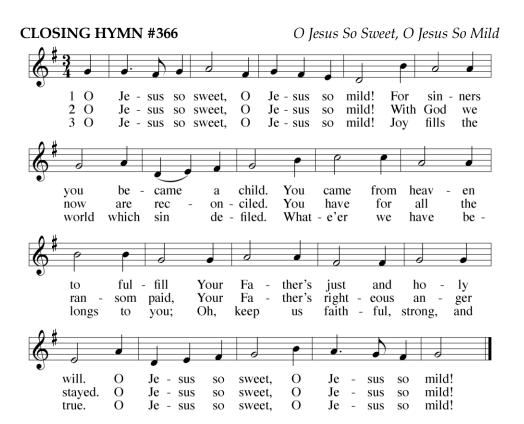
M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: Amen.



## **Announcements**

**Serving Us This Week** (June 28<sup>th</sup> – July 4<sup>th</sup>) **Cleaners**: Blackstad, Holte, Parks

**Serving Us Next Week** (July 5<sup>th</sup> —11<sup>th</sup>) **Cleaners:** Bakers, Hunziker, Beal

#### Thank You!

Thank you to all those who provide snacks, brought supplies, made meals, volunteered their time and energy, prayed for and supported Adventure Bible Camp. We were blessed with great weather and well over 30 campers who heard the good news of Jesus' love and forgiveness. What a privilege and joy it was!

## **Mission Festival Sunday**

On Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Shining Mountains will be having a Mission Festival Sunday. Pastor Jon Werre, our District Mission Board Chairman and pastor at Good Shepherd, Sioux Falls, SD, will be here to preach and give a presentation on the work of our synod, especially the home missions in our Dakota-Montana District.

We are also considering the possibility of a meal after church – however we want to gauge the congregation's interest and comfort level. If the weather is nice, it could even be outside. If you have any comments on a possible meal, please speak with Pastor, the Gustafsons or Gullixsons. Thanks!

## **SHINE** meeting

We would love it if you were able to come to our Ladies SHINE meeting this Tuesday, June  $30^{th}$  at 6:30 PM. We will meet here at church.

## **Council Meeting**

A reminder that our Council will meet this Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM via Zoom. Watch your email for the invite from Pastor.

## Taste and See WELS Missions (June 27th - July 11th)

The WELS Missions office is excited to partner with our friends at the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) to host an online event called *Taste and See!* The first-of-its-kind event will combine the very best of Taste of Missions and LWMS Convention to provide all WELS members an opportunity to be an important part of gospel outreach occurring in our synod.

From June 28<sup>th</sup> – July 10<sup>th</sup>, learn about Missions through keynote presentations, recorded workshops, mission-minded daily devotions and more. Participate in family-friendly scavenger hunts, try your hand at making ethnic recipes shared by our missionaries, and ask questions during live Q&A sessions with Home and World Missions representatives. We will wrap up the online festivities with the livestreamed commissioning of new missionaries on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>.

For more info go to wels.net/event/taste-and-see/

## **Special Instructions for Worship**

- Wash hands / Use hand sanitizer stations often
- Sit with your family and sit at least 6 feet from another family unit
- Please do not sit in pews that have been "roped off" or places that have been "taped off"
- Congregate Outside or spread out in the entryway
- Try to fill church from front to back and outside to inside to keep people from having to walk past others
- Please take home your worship folder or throw it away at the end of the service
- Have each person grab bulletin from pile, print off at home or download and use personal device (phone/tablet)
- If you are going to follow along on phone, please make sure the ringer is off
- We highly encourage people to wear masks or bandanas over their face if they are comfortable doing so
- Offerings plates will not be passed but you can donate online or place in offering basket on way in/out
- Pastor will not shake your hands but will greet you in a place where we can be at least 6 feet away.
- Clorox wipe down all pews and high use surfaces after each service
- We will have the Lord's Supper NEXT weekend. We will follow the new procedures to minimize contact and adhere to social distancing.
- Please dismiss (leave the church) from the back to front so people don't have to walk past each other.
- We will continue offering both 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM worship services until further notice.
- Check your email often to see updates, devotions, and other resources.