



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 2, 2009

Alleluia. My Word will not return to Me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia!

GREETINGS and WELCOME to
Brooklyn Lutheran Church.

VISITORS please sign the guest book.
Come and worship with us again soon!
Available from an usher:

- **Bibles** to follow along with the Scripture Readings.
- **Large print hymnal** is available.
- **Quiet bags** for small children.

Please return these to our ushers following the Service.

Prayer Before Worship: Dear Savior, upon Your gracious invitation I come to Your altar. Let me find favor in Your eyes that I may approach Your Table in true faith and receive the Sacrament to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

HYMNS: 531 569 536 515 v4-5

ORDER OF SERVICE:

Service of Word and Sacrament, Page 26

PRAYER FOR THE DAY—Spoken by all together.

Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without You, may by Your help be enabled to live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 🎵 Amen.

First Lesson: *Jeremiah 23:1-6 (Page 1210)*

Listen to the warning of God Himself to those who are unfaithful to their shepherd calling. Look at the terrible damage they do, whether they intend to or not, with their false teaching. Look too at God's own verdict over them for their unfaithfulness to His Word. May God give us faithful shepherds who pasture the flock with the righteousness of Christ given in His pure Word. May He deliver us from unfaithful shepherds who yield to the spirit of compromise so common in our times. May He by the saving Word raise up a flock that delights in the pure Word alone and refuses to settle for less.

In place of the Psalm we will sing CW 360.

Synod Convention Hilights (through Thursday noon)

*The 2009 Synod Convention got underway Monday morning at Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, Michigan, under the theme, "Christ's Love, Our Calling." Approximately 380 delegates, both called workers and laymen from around the country, are attending.

At opening Service, Rev. Earle Treptow, pastor at Zion, Denver, Colorado, encouraged the delegates to tirelessly do the work the Lord has given them. "Compelled by Christ's love for you and for all, carry out your high calling," he said. "Live for Him and for His glory. With the strength He provides, as He works in you what pleases Him, you will be tireless."

In addressing the delegates, WELS President Schroeder emphasized the importance of WELS maintaining its identity as a confessional Lutheran church body. "Maintaining our commitment to doctrinal truth is the only effective way to carry out the mission God gives us to do."

Monday delegates elected Rev. James Huebner from Grace, Milwaukee, as the synod's new first vice president, a position that moments earlier delegates voted to change from a full-time position to part-time.

Delegates wrestled with an \$8 million budget reduction for which the Synodical Council offered choice between closing Michigan Lutheran Seminary and recalling a score of world and home missionaries.

Instead the delegates went for gutting Synod Offices: Communications, Financial Services, Technology, the Congregational Resource Team within Parish Services (Parish Assistance?!), and Mission Counselors. Your pastor withholds judgment on this until more details are published, but he is concerned about the Parish Assistance we have started with and other functions of administration that may not be adequately funded. Could Pastor Kelm and even Pastor Stroh with whom we have worked have their positions terminated?

Gospel: *Mark 6:30-34 (Page 1562)*

May we always be like apostles, i.e., those sent by Him with a message, ready to speak His Word and not ashamed to return to Him with a full report of what we have said and done in our God-given office! When He gives us rest, may we use it to hear His Word, not the noise of the world or the babble of human opinion. For He still has compassion on the multitude and sends us back to it, not to ask it what it wants, but to give it what it needs: teaching, doctrine from the mouth and heart of God. On "Orthodoxy Sunday" that's God's message to us as a church, to us who are pastors and teachers, to laymen and women as members of God's household.

SERMON: *Ephesians 2:13-22 (Page 1819)*

GOD TEARS DOWN WALLS

- ✘ The Wall Of Sin Between Us and Him.
- ✘ The Walls That Separate People From One Another.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Meditation Theme for the week:

"Good News For Tired Souls"

August Offering Counters: D. Glodowski, K. Graen

Today	10:15	Church Council
	7:00	West Regents
Mon.	8:15-4:00	Youth Canoeing & Water Park
	12:00	West Lutheran Golf Tournament
	6:20	Softball at Central S. vs. Salvation Army
Tues	7:00	Vision Task Force
Wed	6:30	Lawn Mowing: G. Schimenz & D. Glodowski
	6:30	Sunday School Teachers Meeting
Thurs.	7:30	Elders
Fri.	9:00	Bible Class

Next Sun. - 6:30am Time of Grace, TV ch 9

9:00 Worship: Celebrating 50 years of weddings

Last Sunday Worship Attendance: 53; Offering: \$2,002
Offerings YTD: \$72,454 (Budget: \$74,385) short:-\$1,932
Needed for Budget Week - **\$2,565**

Youth Outing - "Escape To Wild Mountain" - Taylor Falls, tomorrow, August 3, for junior and senior high students. Leave from church at 8:15am for morning canoeing and afternoon water park. Cost is \$15. Bring a bag lunch, swim gear, snacks, and money for any extra food or activities. Member youth may bring a friend. Pastor will drive. Let him know if you are interested!

As part of our ongoing anniversary celebrations, next **Sunday, August 9, at the 9:00 Service** we will celebrate all the **weddings** that took place at Brooklyn Lutheran in the last 50 years. A renewal of vows will be part of the Service. A time of fellowship will follow the Service. Plan to join us at this happy occasion.

Thrivent Lutheran Night with the Twins is later this year than normal – 7pm, Wednesday, August 26th. Upper Club \$22 seats for \$17. \$1 of \$17 goes to Habitat for Humanity. Can we get a group of 25+ signed up today to get good seats ordered? So far we have 11 signed up.

The **Vision Task Force** has written vision statements for 4 of the 6 topic areas that were discussed on Listening Sunday. Once all the statements have been written, they will be compiled and everyone will receive a copy. Their goal is to have this document in your hands by the end of October. Please keep the committee members in your prayers.

CEAP is holding its annual Back to School Program this August. The program helps local children going into grades K-8 get the school supplies they need to start the school year off right. Donations and volunteers are needed. For a list of needed school supplies please visit www.ceap.org/events/school. (Supply list on bulletin board.) If you know someone in need of school supplies please call 763-566-9600. Or if you'd like to vol-

unteer call 763-450-3679. Any help you can give is appreciated.

Vacation Bible School will begin a week from Monday, on August 10-14, 9:00—11:30 am. The theme of VBS this year is "DIVE IN," a course from our Northwestern Publishing House.

In ***Dive In!*** the students will learn:

- That God promised and sent a Savior from sin.
- That God gives us His powerful Word to fight the temptation of the devil.
- That Jesus lived a perfect life, died, and came back to life to save sinners.
- That God protects us and gives us what we need.
- That we serve God by helping others/the story of Jonathan helping David.

Who do you know could attend? Could you work on our staff as a teacher? Aide? Art craft worker? Or snack server?

Please contact Katie Koch or Pastor if you can help in any way. Registration sheets are on the table by the bulletin board.



*Brooklyn Evangelical
Lutheran Church*

Our Mission:

*We exist to use the
Gospel of Christ to
win the lost and to
nurture
believers, all to the
glory of God.*



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