



Emmanuel Lutheran Church

July 1, 2018
Pentecost 6

Common Service with Communion
Christian Worship p. 15

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To Our Guests

- If you are member of a church body other than the WELS or ELS, please speak to the Pastor before attending the Lord's Supper.
- The restrooms are in the fellowship hall. Turn to your left when exiting the church.
- We are happy to have children in our worship. Cloth bags with age appropriate books and activities are available. Please ask an usher.

Calendar for This Week

Monday

Chapel Service at Red Cedar Canyon at 1:30 pm
Board of Education at 3:30 pm

Wednesday

Happy Independence Day!

HYMN

In You, O Lord, I Put My Trust CW 448

FIRST LESSON: Lamentations 3:22-33

²² Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. ²³ They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴ I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."

²⁵ The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; ²⁶ it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. ²⁷ It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young.

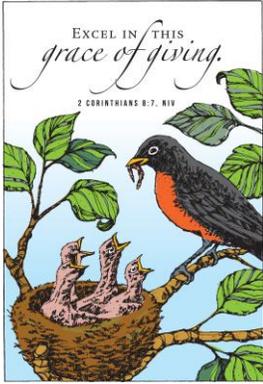
²⁸ Let him sit alone in silence, for the Lord has laid it on him. ²⁹ Let him bury his face in the dust—there may yet be hope. ³⁰ Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him, and let him be filled with disgrace.

³¹ For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. ³² Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love. ³³ For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to anyone.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 30, CW p. 76

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ²



In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³ For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵ And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. ⁶ So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. ⁷ But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

⁸ I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. ⁹ For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

¹³ Our desire is not that others might be relieved while you are hard pressed, but that there might be equality. ¹⁴ At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need. The goal is equality,

GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-24a, 35-43



²¹ When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. ²³ He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." ²⁴ So Jesus went with him.

³⁵ While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

³⁶ Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

³⁷ He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha kum!" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they

were completely astonished. ⁴³ He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode CW 447

SERMON

Sermon Text: Mark 5: 21-24a, 35-43

Theme: "Don't Be Afraid! Just Believe!"

- I. Go to Jesus in fearful times.
- II. Don't become discouraged.
- III. Your faith will not be put to shame.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

I Come, O Savior to Your Table CW 310

CLOSING HYMN

Faith Is a Living Power from Heaven CW 404

Thank You

Thank you to all who contributed water and/or candy and those who walked in yesterday's Booster Day parade.

Church and School Cleaning Team for July

Leader: Tim Cords
Denning, Beck, Doty and Rust families

Other Items of Interest

Attendance last Sunday: 42

Fellowship refreshments next Sunday: Wegner

Notes on our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary's governing board is putting a hold on issuing another Call for professor to teach New Testament and Homiletics (how to prepare a sermon). President Paul Wendland has announced that at the end of the 2018-19 school year he will step down from the office of president and move into a full-time teaching position in the New Testament department at the seminary. He has served as president of our seminary since 2004. A Call for nomination to fill the seminary president position has been sent out. When that position is filled, seminary administration and the governing board will determine what teaching areas need to be filled and will ask for nominations to fill that need at that time.

The seminary hosted a preliminary visit from the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) during the past school year. It is step one on its path of exploring accreditation. The visit was helpful and allayed many concerns about the process., While the seminary is still some distance away from accreditation itself, it looks very possible that the seminary will receive an Associate Membership with ATS this summer. The seminary's board sees the value of accreditation both for our United States programs of continuing education and to offer support for

our sister seminaries overseas. For them, affiliation with an accredited U.S. seminary increases their credibility and the ease with which they can receive official recognition in their home country.


CREATION MOMENTS
Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

Evolution of the Early Earth

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. – Genesis 1:1-2

Evolutionary astrophysicists believe that the Earth came into existence about 4.5 billion years ago. The formation of this planet-size lump of rock allegedly happened by gravitational accretion from the dust that had previously swirled around the Sun. One grain of dust would attract another. Gradually, one lump would attract another. This would keep repeating until a planet-sized object appeared.

There are two main problems with this scenario, apart from the fact that it is not described that way in the Bible. First, why would particles of dust or small stones stick together by gravity? If this were a normal thing to happen, then why has it not subsequently happened in the asteroid belt? The second problem is that even if such accretion were possible, it would only produce a planet-sized lump of amorphous rock. But the Earth has structure, with a solid

crust, semi molten mantle, and molten inner and outer core.

So evolutionary astrophysicists suppose that about 3.9 billion years ago, another planet, about the size of Mars, crashed into the Earth, and vaporized. This caused the Earth to melt so that it could reset in the "correct" order. Although this model is a lot more sophisticated than this simplified version, it still seems to be something of a fiddle-factor – an invented story to explain the inexplicable.

In contrast, the Bible tells us that the Earth was a direct creation by God and that the rest of the Solar System – and, indeed, the rest of the universe – was formed three days later, again as a direct creative act of God.

Ref: Dalrymple, G. Brent (2001). "The age of the Earth in the twentieth century: a problem (mostly) solved". Special Publications, Geological Society of London. 190 (1): 205–221.

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