

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 9, 2010

## God's Word for Today

*In today's lessons we hear about two churches: the Holy Christian Church on earth, and the church triumphant in heaven. As we continue to await our place in the church triumphant, Jesus gives us the assurance that we do not wait alone. The triune God is with us as we hear and proclaim the good news of salvation.*

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Service of Word and Sacrament, CW Page 26

**OPENING HYMN:** CW 153

*"Alleluia! Jesus Lives!"*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:** Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**FIRST LESSON:** Acts 14:8-18

**PSALM:** CW 65, Page: 89

*(Sung In Unison)*

**SECOND LESSON:** Revelation 21:10-14, 22, 23

**VERSE OF THE DAY:**

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.. Alleluia.*

**GOSPEL:** John 14:23-29

**SERMON HYMN:** CW 369

*"Beautiful Savior"*

**SERMON:** John 14:23-29

## Living with God in One Home

**DISTRIBUTION HYMN:** CW 145

*"Jesus Lives! the Victory's Won"*

**CLOSING HYMN:** CW 321

*"Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"*

## Serving the Lord Today

**Pastor:** Rev. Christopher Goelzer

**Organist:** Marilyn Kollmann

# Welcome to St. Luke's Oakfield

- † It is our prayer that our worship service will allow you to encounter your Creator and Savior today through His Word and give you an opportunity to praise Him with songs and prayers.
- † If you have any questions about the service, the readings or sermon, please feel free to ask our Pastor after the service. Feel free to join in any part of our service that you feel comfortable with.
- † Large bulletins, listening assisted devices and children's worship tote bags are available from the ushers.
- † We do ask that everyone who participates in worship today sign the worship attendance register in the narthex.
- † Parents, if your child become restless, that's okay... We're glad they're here and Jesus is pleased when they are brought to hear his Word! Perhaps a moment or two with mom or dad is all that is necessary. Our Church Nursery is located in the narthex
- † We believe that gathering together at God's altar to receive Holy Communion is a testimony of the confession and commitment we share as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our denomination to speak to the pastor before joining us at the altar so that all may have a clear understanding of our faith and practice.

## Upcoming Worship Opportunities at St. Luke's

**May 13<sup>th</sup> - Ascension of Our Lord**

(Evening Prayer)

Service at 6:30 P.M.

*The Risen One Ascends into Heaven*

**May 16<sup>th</sup> - Seventh Sunday of Easter**

(Service of the Word)

Sunday Services at 8:00 A.M. & 10:15 A.M.

*The Ascended Lord Rules his Church*

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### Weekly News and Information

**BIC 202** – 4:00 PM - This 202 course picks up where 101 leaves off. It aims to answer the questions we have about God's Will for our life on this sin cursed earth before we enter into the perfect home of heaven. Topics covered include the death penalty, marriage, taxes, welfare, homosexuality, and many more. Life is messy but the Lord has a roadmap to guide us through. (101 is required before taking 202)

**Ushers**—We are in need of men to do ushering duties in our church services. Age does not matter. If you have never ushered before and are willing, we will train you. Please help us by contacting Dale Hinze or Reagan Arndt.

**Church Cleaning**—We are asking for volunteers to dedicate two times or more a year to help in keeping our church clean. It requires no special skills, just a little time and some elbow grease. There is a sign up sheet for the remaining months of 2010 on the counter in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve our church. If you have any questions please contact Paul Rhode at 969-7672.

**Label Savers**—The end of the school year is nearly here. Please bring all milk caps, labels, etc. to school by May 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Marilyn Kollmann

**Offering Statements** through April 30<sup>th</sup> are available in the narthex.  
**Men's Softball**—St. Luke's 1 plays Lomira at Lomira Park and St. Luke's 2 plays North Fondy at home. Games start at 6:30 pm.

**Meditations**—The new Meditations have arrived and are on the library counter in the narthex. Also, there is a nice variety of Confirmation and Graduation cards on the rack in the commons.

**Flyway Chapter of the Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors (OWLS)** will be on Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, Lomira, Wisconsin. We invite all WELS people over the age of 55 and their spouses even under the age of 55 to join us. Our program speaker will be Pastor James Mattek, Director of Ministry at Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Service. He will discuss the healing and helping ministry of WLCFS. His presentation will outline how the counseling ministry of WLCFS has helped so many and is utilizing technology to reach more people. He will also talk about the WLCFS continuum of care for senior adults and will be joined by Mrs. Beth Pahmeier, Administrator for the Gardens of Hartford, and the newest assisted living facility from WLCFS.

**Memorials**—Thank you for the gift to the General Fund in memory of Samuel A. Smith, and the gift to the School Music Program from Vince Huth in memory of Vince and Mildred Huth.

### Last Week's Attendance – May 2, 2010

Sunday 8:00 A.M.: 98      10:15 A.M.: 103      **Total: 201**

### Last Week's Offerings

**General Fund	\$5,897.00
**Plate Offering	75.00
**Debt Retirement	133.00
**General Memorial Fund	250.00
Communion Fund	23.00
Parish Improvement	100.00
Sunday School Offering	9.06
Student Aid Fund	60.00
<b>**Budgetary Offerings **</b>	<b>\$6,355.00</b>
Total Offering	\$6,547.06

## About Today's Lesson

### First Lesson - Acts 14:8-18

1. **Two miracles occurred in Lystra. One was clear to all. The other was observable to Paul. What were the two miracles?**

*The obvious miracle was the physical healing of the crippled man. At the command of Paul, he jumped up and began to walk. The other miracle was what occurred first. The Holy Spirit worked a profound change in this man's heart. Paul shared the gospel, and then saw this man had faith to be healed.*

2. **What was the crowd's response to the apostles' message?**

*Paul and Barnabas told the people listening they were mere men. They pointed the people to Christ. Yet, the people of Lystra had difficulty accepting the apostles' explanation. They had convinced themselves that Paul and Barnabas were gods.*

### Second Lesson - Revelation 21:10-14

3. **Some people are waiting for the new Jerusalem to be built on earth. Is John is describing this when he gives such exact details of the Holy City?**

*Although the details are exact, John is not describing an earthly city. He is describing heaven which God the Father is preparing for us. The detailed description with the beautiful symmetry is highly figurative. It is meant to paint a picture of the safety, beauty, and perfection of heaven.*

4. **How does John describe being in God's presence?**

*When we join the saints in heaven, we will bask in the never-ending light of God's glory. The glorious love God showed sinners by sending his Son will illumine us forever. What we receive now intermittently through Word and Sacrament we will enjoy eternally in heaven.*

### Gospel - John 14:23-29

5. **How will the triune God make his home with believers?**

*The triune God makes his home with believers through the Word. The Spirit, sent from God, works through the Word. Believers demonstrate that God is dwelling in them by being faithful to God's Word and putting that Word into practice in their lives.*

6. **What is the "peace" that Jesus gives?**

*It is not the peace the world gives. The world's peace consists of empty words with no lasting value. Jesus gives us the peace he won for all mankind. This peace makes us at one with God. It calms a troubled heart and a guilty conscience. Jesus gives us a peace where we can find true rest.*

## This Week at St. Luke's 5/09/2010

### Today – Mother's Day

- 8:00 A.M. **Worship Service with Lord's Supper**  
9:10 A.M. Sunday School  
9:10 A.M. Bible Study  
10:15 A.M. **Worship Service with Lord's Supper**  
4:00 P.M. BIC 202

### Monday

- SB @Home vs. Montello  
6:00 P.M. PS Confirmation

### Tuesday

- 8:30 A.M. Confirmation  
10:00 A.M. Advanced Bible Class "Positively Lutheran"  
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7:40 P.M. Sunday School Teachers

### Wednesday

- 7:00 A.M. Faculty Meeting  
6:00 P.M. Secretarial Committee  
6:30 P.M. Senior Choir  
6:30 P.M. School Committee

### Thursday

- 8:30 A.M. Confirmation Class  
10:00 A.M. S.O.S. Bilitiz's  
SB @ Mayville

- 6:30 P.M. **Ascension Worship**

### Friday

- 8:15 A.M. School Chapel

### Next Sunday

- 8:00 A.M. **Worship Service**  
9:10 A.M. Bible Class  
9:10 A.M. Sunday School  
10:15 A.M. **Worship Service**

## Serving the Lord This Week

- Service Deacons:** Dave Tetzlaff & Paul Rhode  
**Organist:** Marilyn Kollmann  
**Altar Guild:** Arlene, Sandy & Gudie  
**Church Cleaning:** Bruce Rhode  
**School Cleaning:** Flood