Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. We invite you to worship with us again! Restrooms are in the basement near the steps in the back of the church.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and the Sacraments. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 311 (18, 293) Communion: 185 (15, 170) Bible Study: 70 (3, 2, 52, 13)

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Sunday
          10:00 a.m. Ladies Aid Meeting
           6:30 p.m. School Board Meeting
Tuesday
Wednesday 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class
           5:30 p.m. Bible History Class
           6:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class
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Thursday
           7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion
           8:30 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement
           8:00 p.m. Calvary Academy Bible Study, basement
Sunday
           9:00 a.m. Mission Festival Worship with Communion
          10:00 a.m. Sunday School
          10:00 a.m. Athletic Association Meeting, church
           6:30 p.m. His Word—My Life Class, basement
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Ladies Aid will meet in the back of church after worship on Sunday.

Mission Festival Next Sunday Pastor Roger Schultz will be our guest pastor for Mission Festival. Pastor Schultz is the President of Calvary Academy Ministries in South Milwaukee. Calvary Academy has been ministering to troubled teens for ten years. Pastor Schultz will teach Bible Class at 8:00 a.m. next week and also give a brief presentation on Calvary Academy after worship. Please join us!

Adult Christ Light Bible Study will begin this Thursday after worship. Sunday morning Bible study will begin next week at 8:00 a.m. with a presentation by our Mission Festival speaker. However, we will not begin the Adult Christ Light Study until the following Sunday. Please join us!

New Life in Christ Class We recently began a new Bible Information Class, New Life In Christ, on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. This 20-lesson course provides a review of the basic teachings of the Bible. If you are a member and would like to review these truths, please join us. If you are not a member and would like to learn more about what we teach and believe, please join us. The class will meet in the church basement. Class lasts about an hour.

Confirmation Class for those in grades 5 – 8 who do not attend our grade school will begin this Wednesday. We will meet from 4:30 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. in the school basement. Please bring a Bible, a catechism, and something to write with.

Bible History Class begins on Wednesday. This class is for those in grades 1-4 who do not attend our school. Class meets from 5:30 p.m. until 6:15 p.m. in the school basement.

Sunday School for 3 to 5 year olds will begin next Sunday. The children will leave for the class in the church basement when the announcements begin after worship.

Athletic Association will meet next Sunday after worship.

Monday Morning Bible Study will not meet this Monday. Join us next Monday at 7:00 a.m. at Cindy's Café.

Youth Group Bible Study will begin on Monday, September 11. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the school basement. Open gym will follow.

Comments or Questions about our congregation may be directed to:

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13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 31 & September 3, 2006

Peace Through Jesus Know it. Live it. Share it.

Lord, you were put to death for my sins and raised to life for my justification. Bless me as I rejoice in your resurrection today! Amen

THURSDAY

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52)

Hymns: 561, 185, 325

Psalm Prayer

Lord God, you have planted us like trees beside streams of water. Grant that we may ever delight in your Word and yield abundant fruit in our lives; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 1 (p.64)

Sermon: Proverbs 9:1-6

Come To Wisdom's Banquet!

Everything is prepared Everything is at stake

SUNDAY

Service: Word (p. 38)

Hymns: 561, 185, 475, 325

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

13th Sunday after Pentecost: Series B

God calls us to examine our spiritual diet.

First Lesson: Proverbs 9:1-6

Christ himself is that wisdom here personified. He has built his house, the Church, in which he provides the richest food of all, the only real food for the soul. The one who scorns the food of the gospel, feeds on folly. But where Christ himself is host and banquet, there is understanding of life and its purpose.

Wisdom has built her house;

she has hewn out its seven pillars.

She has prepared her meat and mixed her wine;

she has also set her table.

She has sent out her maids, and she calls from the highest point of the city.

"Let all who are simple come in here!"

she says to those who lack judgment.

"Come, eat my food

and drink the wine I have mixed.

Leave your simple ways and you will live; walk in the way of understanding.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 1 (page 64)

The one whose delight is in the Word of God, who feeds his soul with wisdom from above, is truly blessed.

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20

Either we walk in wisdom or folly. Those whose food is wisdom walk with God. Their path is one of understanding and joy, even in the evil times. For the Spirit fill them by means of his gospel of peace and joy and thanksgiving in Christ. That Word, through which the Spirit comes, they sing and say to themselves and to one another, that they may always be filled with saving food and be found on that path of wisdom with and in Christ.

Be very careful, then, how you live--not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: <u>John 6:51-58</u>

Our Lord spells out very clearly the nature of the two kinds of food for the soul. Those who imagine that the only food is physical and temporal feed their souls on bread that perishes. But those whose food is Christ himself and his Word of the gospel, eat a bread that lasts forever.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your forefathers ate manna and died, but he who feeds on this bread will live forever."





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