

Springfield Campus
September 13, 2020
8:00, 8:45 and 10:45 Services

Opening Hymn:

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

LSB 814, v 1, 3, 4, 6

1) O bless the Lord, my soul!
Let all within me join
And aid my tongue to bless His name
Whose favors are divine.

4) He crowns thy life with love
when ransomed from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell
hath sov'reign pow'r to save.

3) 'Tis He forgives thy sins;
'Tis He relieves thy pain;
'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses
and makes thee young again.

6) His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
by His beloved Son.

Invocation

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.

C: **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray.

Dear Father, in love You sent Your Son into the world to forgive us. Send us Your Holy Spirit so we too will forgive in Jesus' name and by His power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Readings from God's Word

Genesis 50:15, 19-20

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him..." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.

Romans 14:1-12

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

Confession of Faith

Psalm 103:1-12 (NIV)

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul,

C: **All my inmost being, praise his holy name!**

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul,

C: **And forget not all his benefits,**

P: Who forgives all your sins,
C: **And heals all your diseases,**

P: Who redeems your life from the pit,
C: **And crowns you with love and compassion,**

P: Who satisfies your desires with good things
C: **So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

P: The Lord works righteousness
C: **And justice for all the oppressed.**

P: He made known his ways to Moses,
C: **His deeds to the people of Israel.**

P: The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
C: **Slow to anger, abounding in love.**

P: He will not always accuse,
C: **Nor will he harbor his anger forever.**

P: He does not treat us as our sins deserve,
C: **Or repay us according to our iniquities.**

P: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
C: **So great is his love for those who fear him;**

P: As far as the east is from the west,
C: **So far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

Hymn of the Day Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive – LSB 843 (Tune: LSB 524)

1) "Forgive our sins as we forgive,"
You taught us, Lord, to pray;
But You alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.

2) How can Your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart
That broods on wrongs and will not let
old bitterness depart?

3) In blazing light Your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew;
What trivial debts are owed to us,
how great our debt to You!

4) Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
and bid resentment cease;
Then, bound to all in bonds of love,
our lives will spread Your peace.

Sermon

**“Am I in the Place of God?”
Pastor Steve Moser**

(Genesis 50:19)

Prayer of the Church

Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C: **Amen.**

- 1) Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.
- 2) Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer;
He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- 3) Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
Than all the angels in the sky.
- 4) Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be Thine!