Community Worship Service Calamus Park August 25, 2019 – 10:00 AM

Presiding:

Pastor William Runaas, Jr. – Faith and Our Savior's Lutheran Churches Pastor Denise Anderberg – Wesley and St. John United Methodist Churches Vicar Sean Avery – St. John Lutheran Church, Bliedorn Choir Director: Diane Christensen – Calamus Lutheran Parish

Boy Scout Troop – The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS - Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

GATHERING HYMN: "Bringing The Sheaves" (pg. 6, back of bulletin)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS - Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: In the presence of God, who sees our hearts and our minds, let us confess our sin. God our strength,

C: we confess that we are captive to the power of sin that dwells within us. We put ourselves first and others last. What we think will make us happy leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves doing the opposite. Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God in Christ Jesus. Amen.

P: Sisters and brothers, all have fallen short of the glory of God; therefore, we are justified by God's grace as a gift. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation.

C: Amen.

WORD OF GOD – Pastor Denise Anderberg

P: The first reading is from Isaiah 58:9-14.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.

Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;

you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;

if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways,

serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

then you shall take delight in the LORD,

and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;

I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

P: We will read **Psalm 103:1-8** responsively.

P: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

C: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—

P: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

C: who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

P: who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

C: The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

P: He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

C: The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P: The second reading is from Hebrews 12:18-29.

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17 – Vicar Sean Avery

V: The Holy Gospel according to Luke, chapter thirteen.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

V: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Vicar Sean Avery

CHOIR

OFFERING to be used for a Splash Pad in the Calamus Park.

CONFESSION OF FAITH – Pastor Denise Anderberg

P: Let us confess our faith together in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again, he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS – Pastor Denise Anderberg

(Each petition ends: P: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.)

LORD'S PRAYER – Pastor Denise Anderberg

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: 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.

SENDING HYMN: "Battle Hymn of the Republic" (pg. 7, back of bulletin)

BLESSING - Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL – Pastor William Runaas, Jr.

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

BRINGING THE SHEAVES



Battle Hymn of the Republic

