



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 15, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.
Central Lutheran Church
Mondovi, Wisconsin
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us gather in this holy house

And celebrate the mysteries and gifts God offers.

In this place we are reminded

We have died to sin and are made new in Christ.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Pause for silence and reflection.

Merciful Lord,

We think we know so much, but we understand so little. Forgive us for our arrogance and plant in us seeds of humility and wonder. For your gracious gift of forgiveness, we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

God forgives, even as we don't grasp the fullness of God's mercy. Receive this forgiveness of all your sins. Go and sin no more. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

vs 1, 4 ELW 858

KYRIE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of new life,

In baptism we die to sin and are given new life. Teach us to walk in this new life, and to show up in the world remade. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PREPARATION READING: *Romans 6:1-11*

¹What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united

with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God.

Word of Life.

SCRIPTURE SONG

“Baptized in Water”

vs **ELW 456**

FOCUS READING: *Psalms 84*

¹How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

²My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

³Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

⁴Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.

⁵Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

⁶As they go through the valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.

⁷They go from strength to strength;
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

⁸O Lord GOD of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!

⁹Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed.

¹⁰For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house
of my God

than live in the tents of wickedness.

¹¹For the Lord GOD is a sun and shield;

he bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does the LORD withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

¹²O LORD of hosts,
happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Word of God.
Word of Life.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY “God of Grace and God of Glory” **vs 1, 2 ELW 705**

THE PRAYERS (Each petition ends, and congregation responds with: “*Gracious God*”, “**Hear our prayer**”. Prayers conclude: “*Our strength is in you alone, O God, and to you we entrust the petitions of our hearts. Receive them for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.*”)

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Create in Me a Clean Heart” **ELW 186**

OFFERING PRAYER

We work hard, Lord, to be better versions of ourselves. Part of our work is to recognize the gifts you have given us, to receive them with gratitude, and to return them to you for the good of all. Receive these gifts we offer to you, and remind us that we are already made new. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Holy God,
 our living Water and our merciful Guide,
 together with rivers and seas, wells and springs
 we bless and magnify you.
You led your people Israel through the desert,
 and provided them water from the rock.
We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water,
 who joined us in our desert,
 pouring out his life for the world.
In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his life, death, and resurrection,
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food
and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:
wash away our sin,
that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church,
both now and forever.

Amen.

THE 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**

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus, Bread of life,
we have received from your table
more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal,
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.
In your name we pray. **Amen.**

BLESSING AND SENDING

The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.
Amen.

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

SENDING HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

vs 1, 2, 4 ELW 879

POSTLUDE



Welcome to Worship at Central Whether this is your first visit or your lifelong church home, we welcome all to God’s house so we may receive together His grace and love as we hear His words of forgiveness. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please introduce yourself so that we may get to know you better. Children’s doodle bags and sound enhancement devices are available from an usher.

Participants in Today’s Services

	9:00 a.m.
Pastor:	Dave Whelan
Organist/Pianist:	Beth Pattison
Lector:	Rosie Helwig
Vocalist:	Michelle Alexander; David Plagenz
Ushers:	Rick Hiemer; John & Yvonne Mayberry; Doug & Rosemary Fisk

1 Thessalonians 5:11 we read, “...encourage one another and build each other up.” **Families and individuals as members and those served in mission by Central who are remembered in prayer this week:** Brianna and Derek Marten, Dylan, Carly, Blake, Kolten and Abigail; John and Rachel Mathis, Arthur and Roman; William and Delores Mathis; John and Yvonne Mayberry

Coffee Hour has Returned! There is a sign-up sheet for treats and serving coffee in the fellowship hall, please consider taking a turn.

Central Cookbooks are still available, please call the office if you would like one. \$15 – proceeds go to Riverside Lutheran Cemetery.

Ruby's Pantry provides good food to ANYONE for a small, suggested donation of \$20. We serve the Mondovi area every month on the 3rd Thursday from 4-5:30 p.m. at the Mondovi County Shop.

CLCW Program - Tuesday, August 17 @ 1:30 p.m. "*Relaxing Afternoon in the Country*" at the Segerstrom Farm. Included in the afternoon there will be a presentation on Lutheran World Relief by Mary Segerstrom, music, and a display of antiques. Meet in the church parking lot by 1:00 p.m. for a ride. Come and enjoy the afternoon and a cup of coffee. Bring a friend!

Worship in the Park - On Sunday, August 22, plan on joining fellow worshippers for the 9:00 a.m. service at the Mondovi Tourist Park shelter. Afterwards enjoy some coffee & treats

The Morning Crew Cafe will meet Tuesday, August 17th, from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Central Lutheran Church, Mondovi. The Café is sponsored by the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Buffalo/Pepin Counties. It is free and meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each even* month from 10-11:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served. - Enjoy this time to get out in a safe manner where we will socially distance and abide by COVID-19 precautions. Our time together will be reminiscing about the dog days of summer, and topics and ideas that we would like for future groups. Socialization is so important for our mental health it sharpens your memory and cognitive skills, increases your sense of happiness and well-being and might even help you live longer. The Morning Crew Café is an event for adults who are interested in maintaining a healthy brain through continued learning, participating in brain healthy activities, and engaging in interesting, positive discussions. The café is also a great place to socialize in a friendly atmosphere. With questions, please contact the ADRC of Buffalo and Pepin Counties at (866) 578-2372 or Contact Becky, DCS directly at 715-538-1930.

Opportunities this week at Central

Sunday – 8/15

9:00 a.m. Worship/HC

Tuesday – 8/17

1:30 p.m. CLCW Program – Segerstrom Farm

Wednesday – 8/18

3:00 p.m. Homeplace HC

6:00 p.m. Worship

Thursday – 8/19

3-5:30 Grandparents Anonymous Meeting

4-5:30 p.m. Ruby's Pantry

2:00 p.m. ALH HC

Sunday – 8/22

9:00 a.m. Worship – Mondovi Tourist Park

Financial Status August 2021	Offerings Rec'd	Borrowed to meet expenses:
Last Week	\$	\$0
Month to Date	\$	Attendance:
Average Monthly Expenses	\$22,000	59,48

ONLINE GIVING

Giving by Text – Here's How:

1. Central's "Giving by Text" number is 715-941-4454.
2. For example: text "25". This is your gift amount - \$25. To give towards Sunday School, enter amount, space and SS.
3. The first time you will immediately get a link to add the info for your debit or credit card.
4. Next time you text to Central's "Giving by Text" number you enter amount (and code if giving to other than operational).

Giving by GivePlus App – Here's How:

1. Download the GivePlus app from your app store. Find Central Lutheran Church and follow directions.

Giving by PayPal – Here's How:

1. Visit our website at www.centralmondovi.org and click on "Online Giving". If giving to other than operational, please put correct fund in the "add a note" section.
Choose PayPal and enter "Lighting Project" in the "add a note" section.