



**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Through the Word,  
Christ Creates Committed Followers*

**June 26, 2022**





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Worship at 8am and  
10:30am

Bible Class and Youth  
Sunday School at 9:15am

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## Welcome to Victory!

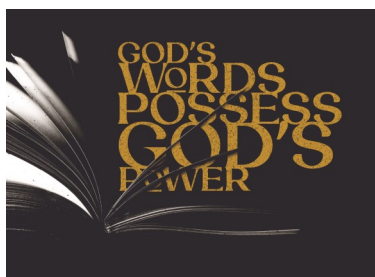
- Thank you for choosing to worship the Triune God with us. May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you as we join together in worship.
- We prepare for worship by quietly meditating on the theme for the day and respectfully listening to the music chosen and prepared by our musicians.
- If you are looking for a church home, we would be thrilled to serve your spiritual needs. Our name comes from 1 Corinthians 15:57: **"Thanks be to God! He gives us the VICTORY through our Lord Jesus Christ!"**
- Our mission as a Christian congregation is to: **"Win souls for Christ and coach Christians for life."**
- Please sign the Connection Card inside your worship folder to give us a record of your visit, and so we can properly thank you for joining us!
- Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you enter the front doors. Changing tables are available in both the women's and men's restrooms.
- A Quiet Room for children who need a quiet minute with mom or dad is located on the right before entering the sanctuary.

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP:**

There's the type of fan who follows his team if they make the playoffs. Then there's the type of fan who, regardless of his team's record, watches every game and knows the stats for every player. There are different types of followers: the half-hearted versus the fully committed. Jesus isn't interested in half-hearted followers who shoehorn him into their lives only when their other pursuits provide time for Christ. Jesus wants followers who are all-in, who love him above all things, who would be willing to leave everything else behind if that were what it would take to be with him. But plain and simple, we don't have it in us to produce that level of commitment. But Jesus' words have Jesus' power. In his gospel, Jesus explains how he went all in for our salvation. He tells us how he left the comforts of heaven behind so he could be fully committed to rescuing us. And through those words, Christ creates within us the very commitment that he seeks.

### **Sermon Series Theme: Unleashed — God's Word Possesses God's Power**

"Let there be light," God said. God was not speaking a wistful wish into the darkness. He was declaring what would now be. God speaks, and reality results. When we speak words, they are often meaningless. Sometimes, one's words are meaningless because they are spoken without true knowledge. Other times, because they're insincere. Other times, because they lack the ability to do what they promise. But everything God says is meaningful. God speaks with absolute knowledge. God never lies. And God's words possess God's awesome power. Thus, it is God's words that determine our reality, establish our faith, transform our hearts and minds, and direct our lives along meaningful paths. Through God's words, God's power is unleashed! During the first half of the Church Year, we focused on the life of Christ. As we begin the second half of the Church Year, we turn our attention to the teachings of Christ, the words of the Son of God. We gather to let the Holy Spirit do the work Jesus promised he would do, in the way Jesus promised he would do it. Through his Word!



June 26	<i>Through the Word, Christ Creates Committed Followers</i>
July 3	<i>Christ Provides Ministers to Proclaim God's Powerful Word</i>

## THE SERVICE: SETTING ONE

### HYMN SING SUNDAY

M: In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



### CONFESSION

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: Holy God, gracious Father,  
I am sinful by nature  
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.  
I have not loved you with my whole heart;  
I have not loved others as I should.  
I have not always been fully committed to serving and following you.  
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.  
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins  
with his innocent suffering and death.  
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

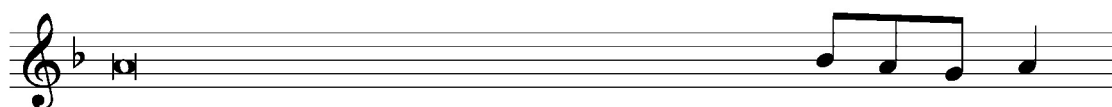
M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He willingly gave up everything in his commitment to saving us. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

# LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*



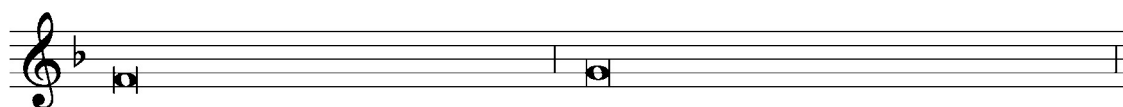
In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



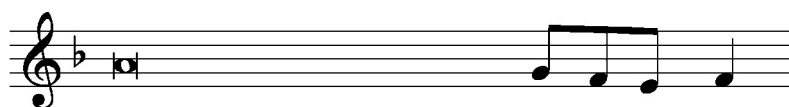
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



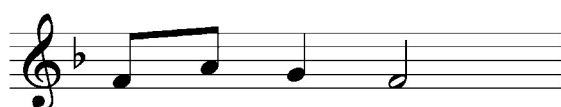
**Lord, have mer - cy.**



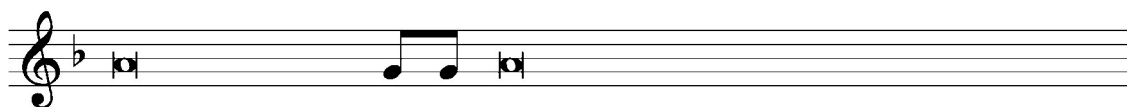
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



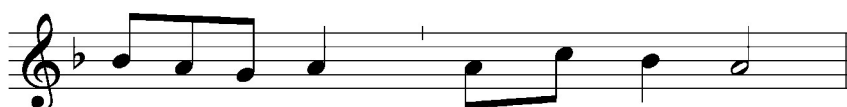
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer - cy.**



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.

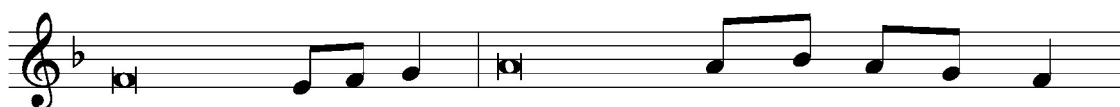


**A - men.**

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## GLORY BE TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,

God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.

You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## THE WORD

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

M: O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**(10:30AM) BAPTISM OF NOAH GRAYSON WEBB**



**FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:19-21**

***Elisha's full commitment to serving the LORD***

<sup>19</sup>So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. <sup>20</sup>Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. "Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye," he said, "and then I will come with you."

"Go back," Elijah replied. "What have I done to you?"

<sup>21</sup>So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his servant.

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM OF THE DAY**

**Rest in God Alone (Psalm 62B)**



*Refrain*



*Tone*



Truly my soul finds / rest in God;  
my salvation / comes from him.  
Truly he is my rock and my sal- / vation;  
he is my fortress, I will never be / shaken.  
Yes, my soul, find / rest in God;  
my hope / comes from him. *Refrain*

Though your rich- / es increase,  
do not set your / heart on them.  
My salvation and my honor de- / pend on God;  
he is my mighty rock, my / refuge.  
Trust in him at all times, you / people;  
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our / refuge.  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**  
**and to the Holy / Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be- / ginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 11:21b-30

### *Paul's full commitment to serving the Lord*

Whatever anyone else dares to boast about—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast about. <sup>22</sup>Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they Abraham's descendants? So am I. <sup>23</sup>Are they servants of Christ? (I am out of my mind to talk like this.) I am more. I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again. <sup>24</sup>Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. <sup>25</sup>Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was pelted with stones, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea, <sup>26</sup>I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my fellow Jews, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false believers. <sup>27</sup>I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked. <sup>28</sup>Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches. <sup>29</sup>Who is weak, and I do not feel weak? Who is led into sin, and I do not inwardly burn?

<sup>30</sup>If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mark 8:34*



*Refrain*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Tone*

Whoever wants to be my disciple must de - ny them - selves

and take up their cross and fol - low me.

*Refrain*

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## GOSPEL: Luke 9:51-62

### *Giving up all else to follow Jesus*

<sup>51</sup>As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. <sup>52</sup>And he sent messengers on ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; <sup>53</sup>but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup>When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them?" <sup>55</sup>But Jesus turned and rebuked them. <sup>56</sup>Then he and his disciples went to another village.

<sup>57</sup>As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

<sup>58</sup>Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

<sup>59</sup>He said to another man, "Follow me."

But he replied, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

<sup>60</sup>Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

<sup>61</sup>Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family."

<sup>62</sup>Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

*All children are invited to join Pastor Troy at the front of the sanctuary for a message based on today's sermon, specifically designed for them! If children would feel more comfortable, an adult is welcome to come up with them.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult**

*Christian Worship 711*

**SERMON.....Pastor Troy Schreiner**  
**Text: Luke 9:51-62**

## **Total Commitment**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day he rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**C: Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

M: Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**C: Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

M: Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**C: Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

M: Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

**C: Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

M: Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**C: Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

M: Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**C: Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

*Special prayers and intercessions*

M: We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**C: Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

M: Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

**C: Amen.**

## OFFERING

**Guests:** This is the moment in our worship when members and friends of Victory Lutheran respond to God's good news with gifts to support his saving work in the Jacksonville community and beyond. If you are our guest today, you are welcome to participate in this offering, but don't feel forced to! You can also give an online thank offering by using the camera on your smartphone to scan the QR code.

Please also fill out the Connection Card found inside your worship folder, and drop it in the offering plate, or in the basket on the back table.



M: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## 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.**

## BLESSING

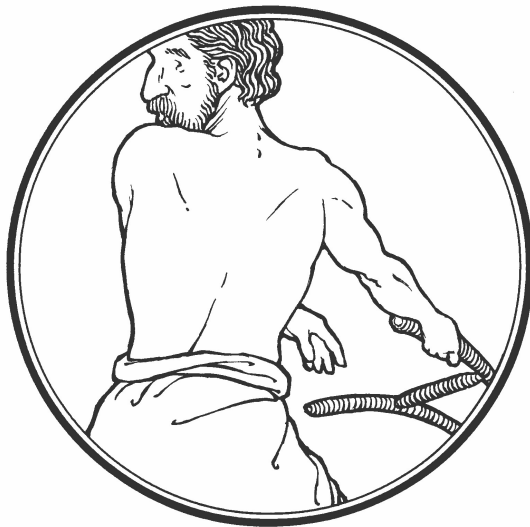
M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

## CLOSING HYMN

**Take My Life and Let It Be**

*Christian Worship 696*



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Setting One from Christian Worship

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**Organist..... Mrs. Rachel Cochran**



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*Dear Pastor and Members of Victory Lutheran Church,*

*Thank you for your steadfast support for LMSG, as we received your gift of \$481 for the Armed Forces Day Ammo Can Campaign.*

*We recently had 35 pastors attend our Military Contact Pastors Conference at Fort Stewart, GA; home of the 3rd Infantry Division. These pastors, who have military families in their congregations, and military installations in the cities they serve, learned how to interact with the base command to gain access to minister to WELS and ELS troops stationed there.*

*LMSG recently hired Mr. Brad Price to be our President and CEO. Brad is a veteran and served in 2005 as an Army Scout with 124th Cavalry in Iraq. Brad is currently finishing up his Masters Degree in Family Life Education. We welcome Brad aboard to advance our LMSG mission.*

*Thank you again for all you do for LMSG with your Ammo Can offerings!  
In his service,  
Semper Fi,  
John L. Stedman*

#### SERVING AT VICTORY

##### Ushers

**This Week (6/26):** C. Sheehan (8:00)  
S. Keith & G. Fisher (10:30)

**Next Week (7/3):** Michael Kelley (8:00)  
S. Keith & G. Fisher (10:30)

##### Counters

**This Week (6/26):** E. Wallander & S. Lawson

**Next Week (7/3):** E. Wallander & R. Cochran

##### Altar Guild

**July:** S. & T. Lomen

##### Media Booth

**This Week (6/26):** H. Krull & L. Krull

**Next Week (7/3):** E. Zager & **one more volunteer needed!**







### **New Sermon Series begins Sunday, July 10**

A unique focus of Luke's Gospel is the section in the middle often called "the travel narrative." This lengthy section begins in chapter 9 when Luke tells us that Jesus "resolutely set out for Jerusalem" (vs. 51). While there are many events and side trips that occur during this travel narrative, Luke regularly stresses that nothing is going to dissuade Jesus from going to Jerusalem where he will fulfill his life's mission. Jesus was very focused.

Jesus' mission and the purpose of this journey was not to gain an earthly crown. Jesus makes clear that this world was not his real home. He teaches that this world is not our real home either. Jesus is focused on heaven. His mission is to get us there by going to Jerusalem and making the ultimate sacrifice to pay for our sin. Nothing would stop him. "He set his face like flint," Isaiah tells us (Isaiah 50:7). Jesus was focused.

As we watch the focused actions of our Savior, as we focus carefully on his words, something wonderful happens. Jesus gives focus to our lives. We finally see things clearly: how to love our neighbor, the true purpose of worship, the blessing of prayer, what is treasure (and what is not.) In this series, as Christ speaks to us through his Word, may he make us properly focused! Bring yourself, your family, your friends, and co-workers, and help them to see your life the way that God sees it—in focus!

<b>July 10</b>	<b>Focused Love Finds a Neighbor, Rather than Avoiding One</b>
<b>July 17</b>	<b>Focused Worship Seeks Service from Jesus More than Service for Jesus</b>
<b>July 24</b>	<b>Focused Prayer Claims What God Wants for Us, Not What We Want from Him</b>
<b>July 31</b>	<b>Focused Living Properly Values Earthly Wealth</b>
<b>August 7</b>	<b>Focused Living Properly Values Heavenly Treasure</b>



## MY WORSHIP NOTES



*For children to use during worship.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name of the church season or special day today? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the color of the church today? Circle one:

Blue   White   Purple   Red   Green

The Sermon Text Was: \_\_\_\_\_

This is in the:   ☐ Old Testament   ☐ New Testament



What was the sermon about? \_\_\_\_\_

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My favorite song today was:

\_\_\_\_\_



Did we have a Sacrament today?



Baptism?

☐ Yes

☐ No



Communion?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Draw a picture of something you heard or saw today:

What did you learn about God today?

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## Sermon Notes



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