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## The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 15, 2019

\*Please stand as you are able PRELUDE- Bryan Busch Songs *"You Are Mine" "His Eye is On the Sparrow"* 

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Friends in Christ, let us come together now and make a confession of our sins.

All: Forgive us, O God, when we take you and your ways for granted. Forgive us for presuming justice delayed is the way things are meant to be- for you do not mean them to be so. Forgive us for withholding compassion for fear of getting involved- for you have involved yourself with us. Help us to see things as they are, that we might be energized by your Spirit to work toward making things as you would have them- and us- be. Grant us your grace for our healing, your Spirit for our transforming, and your presence to guide us on the way.

#### (Silence is kept)

Pastor: God does not remember our sins, but he does remember the promises which have been made to us. Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, our sins are forgiven in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

**OPENING SONG** 

## "Gather Us In"

Braxton Jeffrey Bothun

ELW 532

# SERVICE OF HOLY BAPTISM PRESENTATION

Candidates for baptism, sponsors, and parents gather with the minister at the font. The assembly is seated. The presiding minister may address the assembly in these or similar words:

Pastor: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. The power of sin is put to death in these waters, and we are raised with Jesus Christ to new life. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors for each candidate, in turn, present the candidate: I present Braxton Jeffrey Bothun for baptism.

The presiding minister addresses parents of children who are not able to answer for themselves:

Pastor: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Braxton baptized?

Response: I do.

Pastor: As you bring Braxton to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace among all people.

Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life? *Response:* I do.

## The presiding minister addresses sponsors:

Pastor: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Braxton in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Response: I do.

#### The presiding minister addresses the assembly.

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support Braxton and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

Cong: We do.

## **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

The assembly stands. The presiding minister addresses candidates for baptism as well as the parents and sponsors of young children. The assembly may join in the responses.

\*Pastor: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

## Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

#### Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? *Response:* I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly: Pastor: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

## Cong: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

## creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Cong: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father. and he will come to judge the living and the dead. Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Cong: 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.

#### BAPTISM

At the font, the presiding minister begins the thanksgiving: Pastor: The Lord be with you. Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cong: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### The presiding minister leads this or another prayer of thanksgiving:

Pastor: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. In the river Jordan your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

#### Cong: Amen.

The assembly may be seated.

The presiding minister baptizes each candidate. Water is poured on the candidate's head, as the presiding minister says: Pastor: Braxton Jeffrey Bothun, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a second time: Pastor: and of the Son,

The candidate is immersed or water is poured on the candidate's head a third time: Pastor: and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. The presiding minister continues:

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth. cleanse them from sin. and raise them to eternal life.

The presiding minister lays both hands on the head of each newly baptized person while praying for each: Pastor: Dear heavenly Father, sustain Braxton with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

## Cong: Amen.

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of each of the baptized. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:

Pastor: Braxton, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

## Cong: Amen.

## WELCOME

A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized (to a sponsor of a young child) as the pastor says: Pastor: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

The ministers and the baptismal group face the assembly. The pastor addresses the assembly: Pastor: Let us welcome the newly baptized into the household of God, the priesthood of all believers.

Cong: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

The minister may exchange the peace with the baptized, with their sponsors and parents, and with the congregation. Peace be with you. R: Peace be with you. Those who have gathered at the font may return to their places.

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## "Baptized in Water"

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: A word to the wise: God reigns!

## Cong: A word to the foolish: God reigns!

Pastor: Let the people of God rejoice in God our Savior.

Cong: Sing praise and take hope in God's present, and coming realm.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you. Pastor: Let us pray together the Prayer of the Day.

All: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son. Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

Exodus 32:7-14

Lector: Jessica Sigdahl

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM

## Psalm 51:1-10

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight; so you are justified when you speak and right in your judgement.

Indeed, I was born steeped in wickedness, a sinner from my mother's womb.

**Indeed, you delight in truth deep within me, and would have me know wisdom deep within.** Remove my sins with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be purer than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; that the body you have broken may rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my wickedness.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

#### SECOND READING

#### 1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners--of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. The word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

GOSPEL SONG

#### "Ancient Words"

Holy words long preserved For our walk in this world They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the ancient words impart

Words of Life, words of Hope Give us strength, help us cope In this world, where e'er we roam Ancient words will guide us home

Ancient words ever true Changing me and changing you We have come with open hearts Oh, let the ancient words impart

Holy words of our Faith Handed down to this age Came to us through sacrifice Oh heed the faithful words of Christ Ancient words ever true Changing me and changing you We have come with open hearts Oh, let the ancient words impart.

## \*GOSPEL Luke 15:1-10

## Cong: Glory to you, O Lord

Cong: Praise to you, O Christ

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

SERMON		Pastor Bringle
SONG OF THE DAY	"How Great Thou Art"	ELW 856
*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION		
Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,		
Cong: hear our prayer.		
OFFERING		
*OFFERTORY	"We Are an Offering"	ELW 692

#### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

Pastor: From you, O God, have come the gifts of creation, our fashioning in your image, and your grace in Christ Jesus. Receive the gifts we now bring, and use them in your transformative work and ministry.

## Cong: Amen.

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING OF THE HARVEST, TRACTORS, AND FARM FAMILIES

Pastor: God gives us tools and machines, and entrusts them to our wisdom. Tools and machines help us in our work. Tools are the result of the creativity and vison in the human mind and spirit. Tools can be used for great good in our work. Lord Jesus, who knew the feel of tools in His hands, bless the tractors and tools that we use on our farms. May we use them well, may we use them safely, and may all who work with tools and machines be kept safe in this harvest season. Bless our farm families who work in the fields; grant favorable weather during this harvest season; help us to ensure that all people share the fruits of the earth, rejoicing in your goodness.

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Pastor: In the fading of the summer sun, the shortening of days, cooling breeze, swallows' flight and moonlight rays,

#### Cong: We see the Creator's hand

Pastor: In the browning of leaves once green, morning mists, autumn chill, fruit that falls, frost's first kiss,

## Cong: We see the Creator's hand

Pastor: Creator God, majestic and mysterious, open our eyes to see what You have done and are doing, our minds to understand our dependency upon You for all life; and our gratitude for those who farm the land and care for land, plants, trees and livestock. Lord, we are thankful for all our blessings in our rural community, our farms and gardens, and the place and people with whom we live. May we bless this life with bold faith, courageous living, and work with You to restore hope, remembering that the earth and everything in it – including us – belongs to You. In Jesus' name, we pray,

#### Cong: AMEN!

#### BENEDICTION

Pastor: The glory of God dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of Almighty God the Father, the <sup>+</sup> Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always.

Cong: Amen.

CLOSING SONG

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

ELW 543

## LAC QUI PARLE ANNOUNCEMENTS for SEPTEMBER 15

Welcome to our outdoor worship service this morning at Lac qui Parle Lutheran Church! We extend a special welcome to all who are visiting with us. You are invited each week to join us for coffee and fellowship in the narthex immediately before (or after) the service. Please come again!

-- Thank you to Bryan Busch for leading the music today!

--We rejoice this morning in the baptism of Braxton Jeffrey Bothun, son of Joe and Tristin Bothun. Braxton's sponsors are Kayla Bothun and Bentleigh Bothun. May God bless Braxton and his family as he begins his journey of faith.

--Today is Rally Sunday! During Sunday School time the kids helped the WELCA put together backpacks (approx. 25) for Lutheran World Relief. These backpacks are filled with school supplies. We will bless these backpacks AND our Sunday School students' backpacks today during the service AND bless tractors and families today as well for the upcoming harvest! Following the service, there will be a catered meal made possible by a Thrivent grant. We are asking for donations for school kit shipping funds in place of bringing a dish to pass. Each school kits costs \$1.40 to ship.

Today is also "Catch-Up" Sunday! Like many congregations we are still feeling the loss of offerings from a difficult winter. You can help! You are asked to pray about your offering for this "Catch-Up" Sunday. Then act! We invite you to help us receive or exceed an average Sunday offering in this special appeal. Your offerings make ministry happen in Jesus' name! Thanks for giving generously!

--Confirmation begins this Wednesday from 3:50 to 5:20 p.m., meeting at Garfield again this year!

--The Pastoral Review and Salary Committee will meet at LqP church on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

--Next Sunday we will install our Sunday School teachers and give Bibles to our third grader and three year old.

--The memorial service for Harriet Dunn, former member of our church, will be on Saturday, September 28 at 11 am. Our WELCA will be serving the meal and taking care of the beverages. We are in need of four volunteers to help serve. Please let Doris Graven know if you are able to help. Thank you.

--There is a sign-up sheet on the coffee serving table for anyone who would like to volunteer to serve on a committee to plan Lac qui Parle's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, our sesquicentennial!

--When submitting an announcement, please make sure to email it to BOTH the secretary and the pastor. This will help in reducing oversights and missed announcements. The e-mail addresses are <u>secretary@lqplutheran.org</u> and <u>pastor@lqplutheran.org</u>. Thank you.

--Thank you so much to the Gust Halvorson family for their gift of two photographic portraits taken by Kelly Lund of Lac qui Parle Lutheran Church and given to the church in memory of Gust! They are beautiful, and add so much to the looks of our narthex!

#### **CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 15-22**

Sunday, September 15 9:00 Sunday school 10:15 Rally Sunday outdoor worship "Catch-up" Sunday- tractor, back-pack & LWR bags blessing followed by a catered meal.

#### Wednesday, September 18 1:30 Mission projects with pot-luck 3:50-5:20 Confirmation begins 7:00 Pastoral salary review committee at LqP

Thursday, September 19 LqP Conf. Pastors

<u>Friday, September 20</u> 10:00 Madison Care Center Bible Study

Sunday, September 22 9:00 Sunday school 10:15 Worship

Sept.	Lectors	Coffee	Ushers	Projector	Acolyte
1	Scott Ireland	Labor Day weekend- no coffee	John Dessonville & Dave Falness		N.A.
8	Sigdahl Family	Jon & Robin Kleven	John Dessonville & Dave Falness		N.A.
15	Youth- Rally Sunday	Rally Sunday- catered meal	John Dessonville & Dave Falness		N.A
22	Lindee Olson	Jeff & Dawn Peterson	John Dessonville & Dave Falness		N.A
29	Karin Falness	Gary & Jackie Sigdahl	John Dessonville & Dave Falness		N.A.