

Questions:

- 1) What does dominion mean?
- 2) What does Luther say in the explanation of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed?

This week:

Monday

Bible study 7 pm (Facebook)

Tuesday

office closed

Wednesday

6/6:30 meal, study

Thursday

PieceMakers 9 am

Bible school for all ages

Saturday July 8 from 9 to 4
(lunch provided) and Sunday
July 9 from 9 to 2 (potluck)

Worship servants:

Pastor Cindy Cone
Charlie Skoglund assisting
Organist: Susie Lutz
Greeters: Rich & Kay Jaeger
Ushers: Warren B., Greg M.
Lector: Connie Atkinson
Communion: Bob L., Mary W.
Coffee: Lonnie & Judy Sparks
Altar guild: Margaret Svitak
Communion bread: Pat Witte
Membership care: Kay J.,
Rhonda B.

Happy Birthday

Jesse Meyer, July 6

In our prayers:

Condolences to Jeff Petersen
and family following the death
of his mother, *Julia Petersen*.
Her funeral was Saturday.

Ongoing prayer support

Nevin and Tara Peters

Health and healing

Michelle Anderson
Dennis Reich
Gary Benson
Will Fenton
Mia Nowak
Dwight Oberle
Charlie Skoglund
Richard and Sandy Thorin
Greg Witte

Skilled care

Cherlyn Hillrichs
Mona Jean Roberts
Roger Young

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

July 2, 2023 — Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, dwell in the shelter of the Most High;
abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**God is our refuge and our fortress;
in God we trust.**

God will deliver you from the terrors of night;
in this place, you will find the shelter of God's wings.

**God is with us as we gather;
God will keep us wherever we go.**

Pause to experience the grace of God;
know that God values you, individually and together.

**How awesome is this place!
This is the house of God and the gate of heaven.**

HYMN: "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" LBW 566

INVOCATION

God of our dreams and of our waking hours, we give you thanks
for all your promises to us. You have said you will accept us and
keep us wherever we go. You have set aside resources for our
use. How awesome are your blessings in all the earth. Open our
spirits to receive the gifts of your grace. Open our lives to
receive and fulfill the assignments you would give us. May we
worship with true devotion. Amen

CALL TO CONFESSION

Sometimes when darkness descends on our broken promises and
dishonest dealings, we must wrestle in our dreams with the God
who calls us to greater faithfulness. If we are truly to worship
God, we need to confess all that cuts us off from God and bars
for us the gate of heaven.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you know our hidden thoughts and deeds. You judge us in our disobedience and lack of faith. We aspire to honors we do not deserve and to places of privilege you do not intend. Our sins not only injure ourselves but also hurt other people. O God, deliver us from ourselves, that we may learn from our teacher, Jesus Christ. Turn us away from unworthy aspirations, that we may identify fully with those whom we seek to serve. Unite us all as your children, learning and serving together. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Forgiveness is God's free gift to us, needing only to be received with penitent hearts. By the grace of God, we are made righteous in Jesus Christ. We need not fear, because we are of unlimited value to God, who loves us. Our Sovereign, who led our ancestors in faith, will also lead us where we need to go. God will bless the earth's people, even through us.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of Revelation, whose will is our fullest joy, call us now into the light where we may learn and teach as humble disciples. Keep the souls of your servants pure, that our highest intent may be to do your will. May all who deny you be turned around to join with all humanity in praising you. Amen

LESSONS 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
 Psalm 5 (responsive)
 Luke 12:13-21

MESSAGE Pastor Cindy Cone

HYMN: "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" LBW 448

APOSTLES' CREED

THE PRAYERS/THE PEACE

OFFERING/OFFERTORY PRAYER

We worship you with our offerings, Great God of all people. With these tokens, we remember all your kindness to us. We would live gratefully day by day, appreciating the wondrous gift of life, caring for the bodies you have given us, and disciplining ourselves as your servants. Inspire us to do our part, that our lives may teach your truth. Amen

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

Go forth as disciples of Jesus Christ;
find ways to serve as Christ served.

**In confidence, we go to make our witness;
in humility, we dare to represent our Savior.**

God has blessed you with an abundance of grace;
God has claimed you in Jesus Christ.

**We will proclaim God's faithfulness;
we will share our experience and learn from others.**

God goes with you wherever you dwell;
God blesses you, and others through you.

**We will abide in the shadow of the Almighty;
how awesome is the presence of God in all places!**

Amen

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HYMN: "God of Our Fathers" LBW 567

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL