

Bible Readings

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

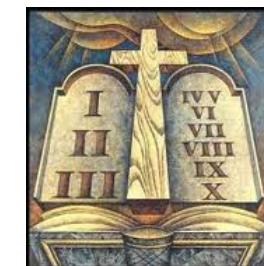
Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Gospel: Mark 2:23-28, 3:1-6

"One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

"Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him."





THE BOOK OF CONCORD

(Tappert Edition)

THE SMALCALD ARTICLES PART II

The second part treats the articles which pertain to the office and work of Jesus Christ, or to our redemption.

ARTICLE IV. THE PAPACY

All the pope's bulls and books, in which he roars like a lion are available. Here it is asserted that no Christian can be saved unless he is obedient to the pope and submits to him in all that he desires, says, and does. This is nothing less than to say, "Although you believe in Christ, and in him have everything that is needful for salvation, this is nothing and all in vain unless you consider me your god and are obedient and subject to me." Yet it is manifest that the holy church was without a pope for more than five hundred years at the least and that the churches of the Greeks and of many other nationalities have never been under the pope and are not at the present time.

Manifestly (to repeat what has already been said often) the papacy is a human invention, and it is not commanded, it is unnecessary, and it is useless. The holy Christian church can exist very well without such a head, and it would have remained much better if such a head had not been raised up by the devil.

The papacy is of no use to the church because it exercises no Christian office. Consequently the church must continue to exist without the pope. (4-5)

Last Week
Attendance: 11
Offering: \$355.00

"There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience." (Hebrews 4:9-11 NKJ)

LUTHERAN TALK RADIO (*For the thinking Christian*)...Issues, Etc. is produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

June 3, 2018

WELCOME to Apostles Lutheran Church! This congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS). We believe and teach that the Bible is the divinely inspired Word of God, and the only means by which God has revealed the way of salvation, which is in Jesus Christ. We pray that this hour will refresh your heart as God draws you closer to Himself.

LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As the head of the family should teach it in a simple way to his household.

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done? God's will is done when he breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Betty Hynes (Recovering from shoulder surgery); Darryl Grubbs (Relative of Pam Wenndt); Gregg Lemke; St. Luke-Richland Center (vacant) – With cancer: David Hartman (Son of Betty Hynes); Pastor Maddick & his wife Melanie (State Center, IA); Rich Gordee (Evelyn Bell's Nephew)

THIS WEEK AT APOSTLES

Today, 9a Divine Service; ~10:30a Study of the Divine Service,
Discussion of upcoming SWD Convention

Tuesday, 9a Study of Lutheran Theology @ Our Redeemer, Dubuque
Sunday, 9a Divine Service; ~10:30a Study of the Divine Service

Congratulations, Tim! (Platteville H.S. Graduate)

June 10-12 is the SWD Convention. Dale Buechler is the lay delegate for Apostles. We will be discussing convention content and submitted overtures during this morning's study.

The April-June (2018) *Portals of Prayer* devotional booklet is available on the table in the back of the sanctuary (and by the entrance door). Please take a copy for yourself (and others).

Mission offering for 2nd Qtr (Apr-June), 2018: Issues, Etc. (Lutheran Talk Radio, also on the net @ www.issuesetc.org)