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## The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost - July 7, 2024

### 518 Christ Be My Leader

CW 518

### Prayer of the Day

Almighty, eternal and righteous God, you revealed your divine Word to teach us what we should do and what we should avoid. Strengthen and lead us by your Holy Spirit that we serve you in new obedience here until we come to complete holiness before you in that life to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

### First Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-7

<sup>1</sup>He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you." <sup>2</sup>As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me.

<sup>3</sup>He said: "Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says.' <sup>5</sup>And whether they listen or fail to listen—for they are a rebellious people—they will know that a prophet has been among them. <sup>6</sup>And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them or their words. Do not be afraid, though briars and thorns are all around you and you live among scorpions. Do not be afraid of what they say or be terrified by them, though they are a rebellious people. <sup>7</sup>You must speak my words to them, whether they listen or fail to listen, for they are rebellious.

### 27A The LORD Is My Light

Psalm 27A

The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom / shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I / be afraid?

One thing I ask / from the LORD,

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this only / do I seek:  
that I may dwell in the house / of the LORD  
all the days / of my life,  
to gaze on the beauty / of the LORD  
and to seek him in his / temple. *Refrain*

He will hide me in the shelter of his / sacred tent  
and set me high up- / on a rock.  
I remain confi- / dent of this:  
I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land / of the living.  
Wait / for the LORD;  
be strong and take heart and wait / for the LORD.  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in / the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

Text: Christopher Walker; adapt. Adrian Smith  
Tune: Christopher Walker; adapt. Adrian Smith  
Setting: Christopher Walker; adapt. Adrian Smith

## Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:1-13

<sup>1</sup>You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. <sup>3</sup>Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. <sup>5</sup>Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained.

<sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

"Here is a trustworthy saying:

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If we died with him,  
we will also live with him;  
<sup>12</sup>if we endure,  
we will also reign with him.  
If we disown him,  
he will also disown us;  
<sup>13</sup>if we are faithless,  
he remains faithful,  
for he cannot disown himself.

## Gospel

Mark 6:1-6

<sup>1</sup>Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. <sup>2</sup>When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed.

"Where did this man get these things?" they asked. "What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? <sup>3</sup>Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

<sup>4</sup>Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." <sup>5</sup>He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. <sup>6</sup>He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village.

## 897 Lord Jesus, You Have Come

CW 897

## Sermon: Mark 6:1-6 Amazing Unbelief

## 847 Be Still, My Soul

CW 847

## 640 God's Word Is Our Great Heritage

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**RECOVERY IN CHRIST** offers hope in Jesus.

A symptom of addiction of any kind is hopelessness. The focus of Recovery in Christ is to bring the hope of Jesus. RIC meets most Sundays at 4:00 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Onalaska, Wisconsin (school library) and Wednesdays, 1:15 pm at La Crosse's Coulee Recovery Center, 933 Ferry Street. To confirm meeting days/times call 608-567-3038 for Sundays, 608-784-4177 for Wednesdays.

Recovery in Christ is not meant to replace other groups or therapists. It is an additional group that offers Christian fellowship and direction to those in recovery from alcohol and/or drugs.

**NEED A CARD?** Why go to a big box store and spend more than you have to? Please browse our wide selection of cards in the former library room at Christ. Cards are exceptionally priced at \$0.50 each.

**Diane Schultz** is our sunshine lady. If anyone knows of someone who would like a card of encouragement, please let her know. Her cellphone is 608-738-9934 and her home phone is 608-685-3861.

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*Church Offerings*

Wednesday, June 26: (no service)

General: \$ Missions: \$ Cap Imp.: \$

Sunday, June 30: 34

General: \$1025 Missions: \$25 Cap Imp: \$45

*(General includes a memorial for Ruth Schaffner)*

*(Cap imp includes a gift for Luther High School)*

**Total: \$1095**

**General: \$1025 Missions: \$25 Cap Imp.: \$45**



## **In Concert**

**LUNDA PARK —**

**BLACK RIVER FALLS**

**Tuesday — July 23<sup>rd</sup> — 7 p.m.**

**Hosted by Faith Lutheran Church**

**More info: [faithwels.com](http://faithwels.com)**

*Our Weekly Walk with Jesus*

**You are Invited**

Faith Lutheran Church of Black River Falls and Cataract, Wisconsin would like to invite you to a Christian concert by WELS band - Cross to Glory. This will be a part of Black River Falls' concerts in the park series at the Lunda Community Park (1400 Tyler St, Black River Falls, WI 54615).

It is scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, at 7 pm. There is no cost. Cross to Glory started in 2010 and the group has played throughout the Midwest as well as Arizona, Texas, and Florida and as far away as Israel. The music of Cross to Glory has been described as a mix of Christian Rock, Country, Folk and Gospel. For more information on the concert, check out Faith's website: [www.faihwels.com](http://www.faihwels.com)

In addition to sponsoring the band, Faith will provide free popcorn and lemonade. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. In case of stormy weather tune to WWIS Radio (99.7) to hear if the concert will be moved to the church building.

**Sunday, July 7**

9:30 am Worship Service with communion  
10:30 am Coffee hour

**Monday, July 8**

**Tuesday, July 9**

10:00 am Bible class

**Wednesday, July 10**

6:30 pm midweek service

**Thursday, July 11**

**Friday, July 12**

**Saturday, July 13**

**Sunday, July 14**

9:30 am Worship Service  
10:30 am Coffee hour  
11:00 am BLSA Annual Meeting @ CL