

SUMMER SEASON

The Wheat and the Chaff The Good, the Bad and the Ugly...



“Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church is an open, welcoming and affirming community, fulfilling God’s vision of a world where peace, love, and justice become a reality for all.”

*Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church
Dillon, Colorado
July 12th, 2020*

Preservice Music

You Say

by: Lauren Daigle

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZvKJl1kK8g>

= GATHERING =

As you enter the church, please see one of the ushers and follow the directions provided.

Welcome to Our Virtual Service

Rev. Liliana Stahlberg

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Fero! Menzel in memory of her parents.

Gathering Hymn

Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil

by: Handt Hanson

LOTM Choral Ensemble

Prayer of the Day

Pastor: Let us pray together:

Almighty God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your Word. By your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

= WORD =

Torah Reading (Old Testament)

Genesis 25:19-34

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the LORD for his wife, because she was barren; and the LORD granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to inquire of the LORD. And the LORD said to her,

'Two nations are in your womb,
and two peoples born of you shall be divided;
one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.'

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?' Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Psalm 119:105-112

Read in Unison

**Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.
I have sworn an oath and confirmed it,
to observe your righteous ordinances.
I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word.
Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD,
and teach me your ordinances.
I hold my life in my hand continually,
but I do not forget your law.
The wicked have laid a snare for me,
but I do not stray from your precepts.
Your decrees are my heritage for ever;
they are the joy of my heart.
I incline my heart to perform your statutes
for ever, to the end.**

Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

One day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and

brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.
'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Kids' Time with pastor Darlene Muschett

Summer camp announcements with Jay and Kelsey Meservy LOTM Youth and Family Life Coordinators

**Sermon The Wheat and the Chaff: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly
Rev. Liliana Stahlberg**

Hymn of the Day

**The Apple Tree
by: K. Lee Scott
LOTM Choral Ensemble**

Prayers for the People of God

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our hearts softened by the Love of Christ, our minds wrapped in God our Creator, let us pray for this world, for all nations and for all God's creation.

Pastor: Lord in Your compassion,
All: Hear our prayers!

Sharing of Peace

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always!
All: And also with you!
Pastor: Let's share Christ's peace with one another.

Announcements: Community Dinner July 28th, Ministry of Presence, Bible Study

Offering

Amy Simper

*At this time we are inviting people to share generously from the blessings God gave us all. For the regular LOTM offering, write us a check or simply go to our website: lordofthemountains.org and click on the **Giving tab**. Thank you!*

Second Offering Sunday Recipient is Summit Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states and in more than 70 countries around the world. Habitat's vision is of a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Habitat works toward this vision by building and improving homes in partnership with individuals and families in need of a decent and affordable place to live. In recent years, Habitat has been unable to build houses in Summit County because of the high cost of land. Instead, they began a program of purchasing existing housing and then rehabilitating it and selling it under the Habitat program. Habitat is now going to be able to provide a house in Summit County under the regular program. A lot in the project being constructed on the old Catholic Church property in Dillon Valley has been made available to Habitat. This is a unique opportunity for us in Summit County to be able to support Habitat. Habitat is the second offering recipient for July. You can contribute to Habitat through LOTM this Sunday, or any time until the end of the month.

= THE MEAL =

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: It is our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You...

Words of Institution

In the night before He was crucified Jesus had a Passover meal with His friends. And, He took the bread, He gave thanks, and then broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me." Again after supper, He took the cup, He gave thanks and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant in my blood shed for you and for all people; do this in remembrance of me." Send now the power of your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine. Turn them into the means of transformation for us all.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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.**

Holy Communion: Come to the banquet of free love and grace! All are welcome!

Benediction: Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

= **SENDING** =

Dismissal: As disciples of the Lord of Life, we are called to sow the seeds of the Gospel of Love for the whole world!

All: Thanks be to God! We will.

Sending Hymn:

Good Grace

by: Hillsong United

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EhKSRIvDFI0>

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The rules for re-entering the church are in our e-News! Please click on the link:
<https://us12.campaign-archive.com/?u=435b9ea9d33f2aac8ea832efb&id=22a2b7c5f9>

Welcome to Lord of the Mountains

We rejoice that diversity in God's creation enriches, nurtures and challenges our life and ministry as followers of Jesus and as servants in the world.

Because we believe with Jesus that God's grace is truly amazing, we are committed to welcoming all people to this place...
no matter where you come from, no matter what age,
race, socio-economic or family status,
no matter what gender identity or sexual orientation,
no matter what your faith tradition or theological beliefs.

Grace is for everyone or it isn't grace.
It's that simple.
It's that amazing.

We really do welcome all!

In the spirit of the Reformation, Lord of the Mountains Lutheran Church continually seeks meaningful ways of expressing our commitment to the life and teachings of Jesus.

We do this by...

- welcoming all people to full participation in our community of faith.
- recognizing there are many ways to God.
- striving to be compassionate toward all of creation.
- aspiring to live what we believe.
- respecting diversity of thought and opinion.
- working for peace and justice for all people and all creation.
- committing ourselves to serving others.

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