Blessed Savior Lutheran Church

1205 North Lincoln, O'Fallon, IL 62269 (618) 632-0126 www.mybslc.org Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Rev. Vernon Lintvedt, Senior Pastor Rev. Matthew Kusch, Associate Pastor Cheryl Vohlken, Organist Bible Class & Sunday School resumes Sep 12.

Romans 1:16

The 10th Sunday after Pentecost

(VBS Sunday)

August 01, 2021

VBS ENCORE "Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through"

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

INVOCATION

- P: Our worship today beings as we invoke the name of God, in whose name we were baptized: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

SONG "Your Power Will Pull Us Through" video (3:11)

OPENING VERSE AND INTRODUCTION

P: The title of VBS this year was Rocky Railway. Using the imagery of a powerful locomotive, our VBS theme: "Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through," focused us on the power of God for our life here and in eternity. St Paul spoke of his great desire to preach the Gospel of Jesus to the Romans and said these famous words that remind us of the source of our strength. Romans 1:16: Would you

read it with me as our declaration of faith?

C: I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.

P: Each day of our three-day VBS had a sub-themes which we will use as an outline for our service today.

- 1. "Jesus' Power Helps Us be Bold"
- 2. "Jesus' Power Lets Us Live Forever"
- 3. "Jesus' Power Helps Us Be Good Friends"

P: We will begin each section with the Scriptures which grounded all our activities.

1st **READING** Acts 4:1–13 "Jesus Power Helps us Be Bold"

[1] And as they were speaking to the people, the priests and the captain of the temple and the Sadducees came upon them, [2] greatly annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection from the dead. [3] And they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. [4] But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

[5] On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, [6] with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. [7] And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" [8] Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, [9] if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, [10] let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. [11] This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. [12] And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

[13] Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.

IMAGINATION STATION PROJECT

SONG "Lions" Video

2nd **READING** Matthew 28:1-10 "Jesus Power lets us live forever."

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. [2] And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. [3] His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. [4] And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. [5] But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. [6] He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. [7] Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." [8] So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. [9] And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. [10] Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

THE BIBLE STORY

KIDVID CINEMA Jesus Power lets us live forever "Isaac"

SONG "There's Power in the Blood" (2:11)

3rd READING Jesus' Power Helps us be good friends.

John 15:12–17 (Jesus calls His disciples "Friends.")

[12] "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. [13] Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. [14] You are my friends if you do what I command you. [15] No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. [16] You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. [17] These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

Acts 2:42–47 The Fellowship of the Believers

[42] And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. [43] And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. [44] And all who believed were together and had all things in common. [45] And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. [46] And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, [47] praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GAMES AND CREW LEADERS

Jesus' Power Helps us be good friends

SPOTLIGHT

SONG "Everywhere I Go" Video (2:28)

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SACRAMENT A

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

P: Remember us in Your kingdom, Lord, and teach us to pray saying:

All: 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.

QUESTIONS TO PONDER

(Silent Self-examination)

AS WE APPROACH THE TABLE OF THE LORD

P: Merciful Lord,

C: we do not presume to come to this Your table, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Your manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Your table. But You are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink His blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed, through His most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen.

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P: With the very words of Christ we consecrate and partake of this sacred meal.

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

(Let us eat together the body of Christ.)

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

(Let us drink together from the cup of salvation, the blood of Christ shed for our sins.)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Gracious God, our heavenly Father, we thank You for giving us this foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. His life alone is able to pull us through the sadness and sin of this world to the perfection of Your heavenly kingdom. Grant us bold courage, through Jesus, in our witness to His saving work among us. Grant us to trust Jesus' power help us to trust Him until that Day, when He welcomes us into Your presence as friends together with all Your saints, where we will celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING OF THE LORD Numbers 6:24–26

CLOSING SONG "This Train is Bound for Glory" (1:58)

THANKS TO THE ENTIRE VBS CREW!
You were all AMAZING!