

# *the* EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY *after* PENTECOST September 23, 2018

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*Divine Service*  
*Setting Four*

## WELCOME GUESTS AND VISITORS

We're glad you're here! All in attendance are asked to please complete the **CONNECT** card located in the pew rack and read the statement concerning the reception of the Lord's Supper found on the **WORSHIP** card. Feel free to ask an usher for help or directions.

Prayer cards and **CONNECT** cards will be picked up by the ushers during the sermon hymn.

## NURSERY

Our nursery is located right past the double doors in the preschool wing on the right, which is across the hall from the coat room (to your right as you exit the Sanctuary). The Sanctuary audio is provided in that room, so you won't miss a thing.

# ORDER of WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC “Revelation Song”

*Praise Team*

OPENING HYMN “Father Welcomes”

*LSB 605*

OPENING WELCOME *and* INVOCATION

**INVOCATION** *(please stand)*

‡ *The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

P In the name of the Father and of the ‡ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

SERVICE *of the* WORD

**RESPONSIVE PSALM**

*Psalm 54*

P O God, save me, by your name,  
and vindicate me by your might.

O God, hear my prayer;  
give ear to the words of my mouth.

**C For strangers have risen against me;  
ruthless men seek my life;  
they do not set God before themselves.**

- P Behold, God is my helper;  
 the Lord is the upholder of my life.  
 He will return the evil to my enemies;  
 in your faithfulness put an end to them.
- C **With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;  
 I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.  
 For he has delivered me from every trouble,  
 and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.**

**ALL** **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.**

KYRIE 

**C** Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

**HYMN OF PRAISE - "Gloria in Excelsis" (please be seated)**



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
 2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;  
 3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!  
 O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.  
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,  
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
 Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—  
 In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

## **SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

P O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT**

*Jeremiah 11:18–20*

The LORD made it known to me and I knew;  
then you showed me their deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me  
they devised schemes, saying,  
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
that his name be remembered no more.”

But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,  
who tests the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

## **EPISTLE**

*James 3:13—4:10*

Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world

makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse

your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

9:00am - **ALLELUIA** (*please stand*)

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Allelu, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Allelu, allelu, alleluia.**

Spoken Verse: If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all. *Mark 9:35b*

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Allelu, alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Allelu, allelu, alleluia.**

11:30am - **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Mark 9:30–37*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed,

after three days he will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" But they kept

silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them,

"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord:

C **Praise to You, O Christ**

**NICENE CREED** *found inside the back cover of LSB*

9:00am - **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** *(please be seated)*

*During the SERMON HYMN, the ushers will collect the CONNECT cards and any PRAYER cards you desire to include in our prayers for today. Please use this time to complete these if you have not already done so.*

**SERMON HYMN** "One Thing's Needful"

LSB 536

**SERMON**

9:00am - **OFFERING**

*Kay Kaepp*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(please stand)*

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

*After each petition of the prayer:*

P let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

## SERVICE *of the* SACRAMENT

*We welcome to the table of the Lord's Supper all those who believe and confess alongside this family the teachings of the Lutheran Church. For more on this, refer to the WORSHIP card, located in each pew rack.*

**PREFACE**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

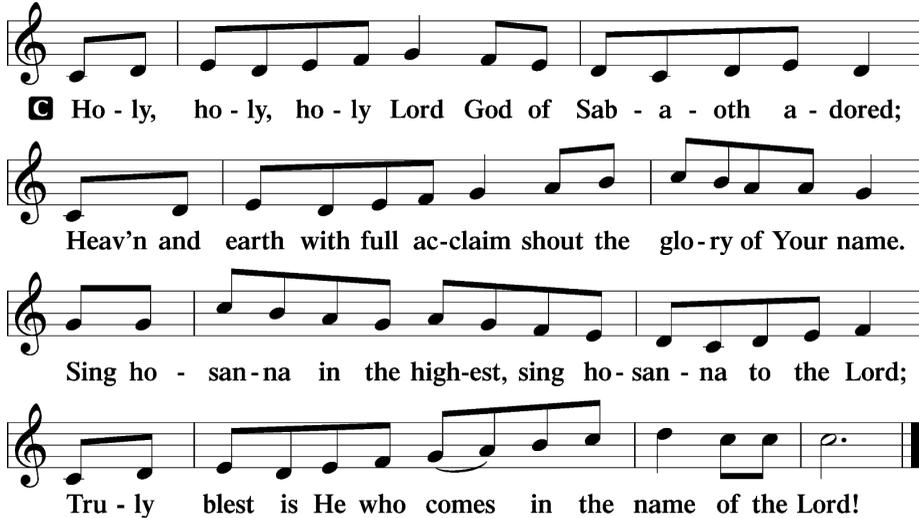
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love

shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## SANCTUS



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;  
 Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.  
 Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;  
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-13*

**C** 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.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

### THE PEACE OF THE LORD

*John 20:19*

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.  
**P** The table is prepared. Welcome to the Lord's table.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
You take the sin of the world a - way;  
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

9:00am - **DISTRIBUTION SONGS** (You may be seated, awaiting instruction from the ushers)

“You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

**I’m forgiven because You were forsaken; I’m accepted, You were condemned.**

**I am alive and well, Your spirit is within me, because You died and rose again. (Repeat )**

*Chorus* **Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it’s true. It’s my joy to honor You, In all I do, I honor You.  
(Repeat)**

**You are my King. Jesus You are my King. (Repeat, then Chorus)**

*Ending* **In all I do I honor You.**

“This Is Amazing Grace”

- 1 **Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings**
- 2 **Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings**

*Chorus* **(Yeah) (Oh) This is amazing grace  
This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've  
done for me**

3 Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory the King of Glory

*Bridge* Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy is the King  
who conquered the grave (4x)

4 Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

“Lamb of God, Pure and Holy”

LSB 434

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*please stand*)



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is



to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -



peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

P Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son’s body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, 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.

**BENEDICAMUS**

[Psalm 103:1]

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**BENEDICTION**

Numbers 6:24-26

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

(please be seated)

**CLOSING HYMN** “What Is The World To Me”

LSB 730

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**SERVING in the LORD’S HOUSE**

**Pastor** Rev. Aaron B. Chittick  
**Administrative Assist.** Laura Oswood  
**Preschool Teachers** Lisa Dove  
Courtney Eaton  
**Interpreter for the Deaf** Mary Smith  
**Open Building** Aaron Garn

**Secretary** Renee Taden  
**Organist** Kay Kaepf  
**Praise Team** Lisa Dove  
Karin Kennedy  
**Altar Guild** Jacque Osborn  
**Banners** Robbie Sennish

	<u>Today - Sept. 23</u>	<u>Next Week - Sept. 30</u>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Lillian Gimenez	Maddie Garn
<b>Assistant</b>	Paul Meyer	Loren Green
<b>Reader</b>	Kelsey Burroughs	Alice Conrad
<b>Ushers</b>	Merle Donbrock	Ron Patch
	Jason Moore	Ruth Patch
	Larry Parks	Chris Pavka
	Jimmy Powell	Dianne Pavka
<b>Greeters</b>	Eileen Luckert	Jason & Jamie Moore
<b>Cookies</b>	LWML: Renee Taden	Ron & Ruth Patch
<b>Counters</b>	Osborn & Watz	Taden & Dayton
<b>Sound</b>	Jimmy Powell	Aaron Garn

**Sunday School Teachers**  
**3yr-K** Kira Mobley  
**1st-3rd grade** Allison Scherer  
**4th-5th grade** Lupe Meyer  
**6th-8th grade** Chris & Lisa  
**9th-12th grade** Kevin & Eileen  
  
**Adult Sunday School**  
**Ephesians** Lisa Dove (a study for adults in a kid-safe environment)  
**Old Testament History** Pastor Aaron

**SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30am** *Grab a beverage and a cookie, and join us.*

**Kids:** downstairs to the right - begins with music in the blue room, then break out into classes

**Youth:** downstairs to the left: 6-8 grade in classroom #2; 9-12 grade in Youth Room

**Adults:** 2 options - check the sign stand at the top of the stairs for details and locations

## **ABUNDANT BLESSINGS**

*Offerings*—Sunday 9/16-\$3,043 (Includes Direct Payment); Roof-\$10; Total-\$3,053.

LWML Mites-\$106.18.

*Worshippers*—Sunday 9/16: 9am-93; 11:30am-18. Sunday School: Kids-21, Adults-37.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are dedicated to the glory of God in praise for the 40 years of blessings that He has provided to us through our marriage. ~ Rick & Renee Taden

## **IN OUR PRAYERS**

*Cancer patients:* Rob Eickmann; Melvin Gallatin; Tim Herman; Jake; Ed James; Grace Lindemann; Marialyce; MaryJane; Insa Raymond; Reese; Robin Thorne; Carol Unroe; Rusty Zimmerman.

*Family & Friends:* Anne; Caleb Fisher; Glenn; Vic Guenther; Mark James; Debbie Jenner; Doreen Robinson; Vienna.

*Shut-ins:* Carol Heffelfinger; Ed James; Cheryl Rosch; Sally Uhrig; Carol Unroe; Carol Yearling; Evelyn Yearling.

*Those in military service:* Lance Bonkoske; Andrew Hatfield; Jeffrey Kaepf; Tristan Karl; Thomas Lenz; Nickole Loomis; Joe Meyer; Lisa Meyer; Devan Paugh; Ryan Schlueter; Chelsea Seegmiller; Heath Taner.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** *Please have all announcements to the office by 12pm, Wednesdays.*

**Beginnings Care For Life Banquet** October 11 at the Dearth Center. St. Paul sponsors a table for 8 people but more are very welcome to enjoy dinner and a speaker. Participants are encouraged to prayerfully consider a donation of any size. See the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. BCFL provides crisis pregnancy counseling and support for young families in our community.

**Book Club** Read the book "Devotion" by Adam Makos. Then join us October 13 @ 10:00am for discussion. "Devotion" is the inspirational story of the U.S. Navy's most famous aviator duo, a white Lieutenant from the country club scene of New England, and an African American Ensign.

**Thank You** I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, phone calls, visits, food and offers of food. Also, I would like to thank Melissa, Liz, and Merle for taking my place as greeter. There really aren't enough words to let you know how much I appreciate everything. All of it helped me get through the most difficult thing I've ever had to go through. ~ Marnie Wood

**Family Promise** We will be serving our neighbors by providing preparing and serving dinner for the homeless October 17, 18, 19 at Christ Community Church, 4:45-8:30pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board by Oct. 10. Talk to Alice if you have questions.

**A note about Sunday School** Parents, please pick up your children downstairs at 11:25 in their classroom. We want to keep them safe and we don't want to disturb those preparing for 11:30 worship in the Sanctuary. Also, please keep your kids with you until just before 10:30 because our teachers need prep time. Thank you for your cooperation. We're excited for this new year!

**Trip to Birch Run Outlets** October 6 with the ProMedica Coldwater Hospice Volunteers. Ride the charter bus, enjoy some shopping, and help support the "We Honor Veterans" program. \$50 per person. See the community bulletin board in the entry, between the doors to outside.

**Hey, You!** Outreach is looking for new members to join the team in exciting new projects. Talk to Lisa Mobley if you're interested. Text or call (517) 677-3311. The Outreach Team's goal is to spread the good news about Jesus, build up the church, and grow the community of believers based on Matthew 28:19-20.

## THIS WEEK *at* ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday 9/23	9:00am	Worship
	10:30am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:30am	Worship
Monday 9/24	2:00pm	Youth Swimming @ Luckerts'
	8:30am	Newsletter Deadline
Wednesday 9/26	9:00am	Bylaws Team Meeting
	9:30am	Staff Meeting
	1:00pm	Quilting
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	Youth Hangout
Thursday 9/27	1:00pm	Worship Team Meeting
Saturday 9/29	9:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday 9/30	9:00am	Worship
	10:30am	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:30am	Worship

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