THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 15-16, 2022

"Changing Lives through Worship, Compassion, and Christian Education"



Our Ministry: We are a people of God who are: "Changing Lives through Worship, Compassion, and Christian Education."

Welcome! Jesus urges us to pray always and not lose heart (Luke 18:1). So we gather today for prayer, and also to give God praise and thanksgiving. Welcome.

Devotions & Publications are available in the Main Entryway. Please leave donation envelopes in the offering plate.

..... WORSHIP NOTES

*Communion: The Lord's Supper - A Reverent Sacrament

The Apostle Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 11:27,29, "Anyone who eats the bread or drinks the Lord's cup in an unworthy way is guilty of sinning against the Lord's body and blood. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the Lord's body brings judgment on himself as he eats and drinks." In view of the serious nature of the Lord's Supper, <u>Paul commands us to examine ourselves to see if we are partaking the supper for the purposes for which Christ instituted with our hearts properly prepared.</u> We heartily invite Confirmed members of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod to receive of the Lord's Supper. Other guests, we ask you to see the pastor or lay minister first so that you may receive the supper to your benefit rather than to your harm as the Apostle Paul warns.

NOTE: If you are allergic or cannot drink full strength wine, The two (2) cups in the center of each tray have water with a drop or two of wine.

Note About Attendance Cards...Remember that the only way we may know you are worshiping with us is by seeing your name on an attendance card. These cards may be completed as you enter for worship and will be collected after the offering. Use one card for each family that is gathered. <u>Please list the name of each</u> <u>person in worship.</u> (Parents, please take responsibility for signing in your children) There is a "Member" side as well as a "Guest" side. Please fill out the appropriate side and pass them to the center aisle during the gathering of the offerings. The cards are gathered after the offering has been collected.

To Our Visitors...Please sign our guest book found in the main entryway. Our church and school have a few nooks and crannies, so don't be afraid to ask an usher where things are. Our pastor and any member here today would also be glad to meet and assist you. A guest information packet is available near the guest register in the main (west) entryway.

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING FOUR

(The music for the liturgy may be found on page 203 in the Hymnal) Notes for Worship: As you prepare to receive the Lord's Supper this day, we invite you to turn to the prayer section of the Hymnal (page 305). In addition to prayers for before and after worship, there are prayers for use before and after receiving the Lord's Supper (page 308 as well as on the inside front cover of the hymnal). May these prayers be useful in your worship.

Before worship prayer

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. AMEN.

We're So Glad God Brought You Here Today!

Opening Hymn: "Thy Strong Word"

LSB, hymn #578, st 1-4

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done. For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death, Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness, Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might; From the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!

INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- P: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
 - Amen.

C:

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- P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
 - who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

Matthew 28:19b

- 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. Let us humble ourselves before our Good and gracious God.

(Moment of silent reflection)

- P: 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. *Luke 18:13*
- C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P: Let us pray . . . Almighty God,
- C: 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. Amen.
- P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

KYRIE ~ Lord Have Mercy (Sung)

Mark 10:47

John 20:19-23

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,The Father's Son, we pray;O Lamb of God, our Savior,You take our sins away.Have mercy on us, Jesus;Receive our heartfelt cry,Where You in pow'r are seatedAt God's right hand on high

For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

- P: Let us prayAlmighty God, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and though we have not deserved Your goodness, You abundantly provide for all our wants of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen

(Please be Seated)

Opening Hymn: "Thy Strong Word"

LSB, hymn #578, st 5-6

Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim, Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name. Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

> God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be. To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally. Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee. Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

Epistle Lesson: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

(Continue In What You Have Learned)

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage - with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

THE READING OF THE WORD

Stand (as you are able)

Alleluia and Verse

John 20:31

- C: (Sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Lesson: Luke 18:1-8

(Always Pray)

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be Seated)

Sermon Hymn: "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" LSB, hymn #729

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee; Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.

I am trusting Thee for pardon; At Thy feet I bow, For Thy grace and tender mercy Trusting now.

I am trusting Thee for cleansing In the crimson flood; Trusting Thee to make me holy By Thy blood.

I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

I am trusting Thee for power; Thine can never fail. Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me Must prevail.

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus; Never let me fall. I am trusting Thee forever And for all.

Sermon: "All Scripture is..."

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Stand (as you are able)

- P: Let us confess our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.
- C: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

1 Timothy 2:1-4

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Loving Father, You held Timothy by the Scriptures, making him wise for salvation and granting him to faithfully preach Your strong Word in season and out of season. Grant to all pastors such wisdom and faithfulness that they may rightly distinguish between Your Law and Your Gospel, boldly speaking the beauties of Your mercy to people who will listen. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

- P: Loving Father, hear the cries of all people who are sick, injured, or suffering any need of body, mind, or spirit. We pray that You be with those hospitalized this past week (*Especially*, . . .). Also be with those who continue treatment and healing at home. We pray for them and all those that we name in our hearts . . . (*Silence*). Answer them, dear Lord, in the way and the time You know to be best. For You are always good, and we are in Your hands. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

- P: Loving Father, You invite us again to this Table of Jesus' true body and blood. Use this feast as a proclamation of Jesus' abiding presence among Your people. Feed us with the food of resurrection, and fill us with the Holy Spirit, who breathes Your divine life into us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.
- P: Loving Father, we give You thanks for all people who are now at rest in Your presence. Bring us at last to rejoice with them in Your gracious presence in the new heavens and new earth, where righteousness dwells. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C: hear our prayer.

(Additional prayers of the congregation. Each petition concludes with. . .) P: . . . Lord, In Your Mercy, C: Hear Our Prayer.

- P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen

(Please be Seated)

Tithes and Offerings/Attendance Cards

OFFERTORY - Let The Vineyards

LSB, Hymn # 955

C: (Sung) Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

HOLY COMMUNION

(In preparation to receive the Sacrament, please read the Communion notes on page 2)

P:	The Lord be with you.	
C:	And also with you.	2 Timothy 4:22
P:	Lift up your hearts.	
C:	We lift them to the Lord.	Colossians 3:1
P:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
C:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.	Psalm 136

P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord. We praise and thank You for Your love for us for You have conquered sin and death and You give to us eternal life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

<u>SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy</u> (Sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Isaiah 6:3. Matthew 21:9

- P: Let us pray Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, for you have had mercy on us, Your children, and given your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for the redemption you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts that he may establish in us a living faith and prepare us joyfully to remember our Redeemer and receive him who comes to us in his body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:
- 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. Matthew 6:9-13

WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

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. 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 is my + blood of the new testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Mt 26:26-28, Mk 14:22-24, Lk 22:19-20, 1 Cor. 11:23-25

- P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

(Please be Seated)



DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB587 - I Know My Faith Is Founded

I know my faith is founded Or And this my faith confessing, U Our reason cannot fathom Who trusts in human wisdom God's Word is all-sufficient, And trusting in its wisdom,

On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord; Unmoved I stand on His sure Word. The truth of God profound; m Relies on shifting ground. nt, It makes divinely sure; My faith shall rest secure. Increase my faith, dear Savior, To rob me of this treasure But, Lord, with You beside me, And led by Your good Spirit, Abide with me, O Savior, Then I shall bid defiance And rate my hope of bliss away. I shall be undismayed; I shall be unafraid. A firmer faith bestow; To ev'ry evil foe.

In faith, Lord, let me serve You; Should seek to overwhelm me, And then at my departure, Your riches to inherit In life and death, Lord, keep me Where I by Your great mercy Until Your heav'n I gain, Though persecution, grief, and pain Let me a steadfast trust retain; Lord, take me home to You, As all You said holds true. Until Your heav'n I gain, Though persecution, grief, and pain Let me a steadfast trust retain; Lord, take me home to You, Marcharther and the serve You; Your riches to inherit Though persecution, grief, and pain Let me a steadfast trust retain; Lord, take me home to You, The end of faith attain.

LSB722 - Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

Lord, take my hand and lead me Upon life's way; Direct, protect, and feed me From day to day. Without Your grace and favor I go astray; So take my hand, O Savior, And lead the way.

Lord, when the tempest rages, I need not fear, For You, the Rock of Ages, Are always near. Close by Your side abiding, I fear no foe, For when Your hand is guiding, In peace I go.

Lord, when the shadows lengthen And night has come, I know that You will strengthen My steps toward home. Then nothing can impede me, O blessed Friend; So take my hand and lead me Unto the end.

LSB623 - Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray That we may feast on You today; Beneath these forms of bread and wine Enrich us with Your grace divine.

Give us, who share this wondrous food, Your body broken and Your blood, The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n, The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.

By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the gift of love retold; All that You are we here receive, And all we are to You we give.

One bread, one cup, one body, we, Rejoicing in our unity, Proclaim Your love until You come To bring Your scattered loved ones home.

Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray: O keep us steadfast till that day When each will be Your welcomed guest In heaven's high and holy feast.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- P: Let us pray.... Blessed are You, heavenly Father, for You have strengthened us through this meal to go out into the world as Your faithful people. Grant us competence and confidence that we may be witnesses whose message is heard and whose deeds bring glory to Your name. Keep us in the true faith and bring us at length to Your eternal kingdom, where You live and rule with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen

BLESSING

- P: Let us bless the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

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

C: Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26

Psalm 103:1

Closing Hymn: "God Has Spoken by His Prophets"

God has spoken by His prophets, Each from age to age proclaiming In the world's despair and turmoil, God is king, His throne eternal; Spoken His unchanging Word; God, the one, the righteous Lord. One firm anchor holds us fast: God the first, and God the last.

Christ, the everlasting Son,

With the Father ever one:

God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Brightness of the Father's glory, Spoken by the Word Incarnate, Light of Light, to earth descending,

te, God of God, before time was; nding, He reveals our God to us.

God is speaking by His Spirit, In the ageless Word declaring Through the rise and fall of nations God abides, His Word unchanging;

Speaking to our hearts again, His own message, now as then. One sure faith yet standing fast; God the first, and God the last.

See You In Worship Next Week!

After worship prayer

Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and the assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.

There will be Prayer Ministry Member(s) in each service that will be wearing a prayer ministry tag around their neck. Please look for them if you are wanting prayer for yourself, someone else or prayer for a concern or situation you may have.

Please join us for coffee and donut holes in the cafeteria after Sunday services.

LSB, hymn #583

Altar Flowers Altar flowers this weekend are given in loving memory of our father and grandfather, Bernie Riley, on his birthday, October 18th, by Jeff, Sherri & Kaitlyn Riley, Sheila & Scott Rennewanz, Dustin, Jennifer & Rogan Rennewanz and Meredith & CJ Grzincic; also in loving memory of my husband, Allen Gehm, who passed away on Oct. 19th, 2016, by Joan Gehm & family.

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