

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



## *The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Sunday, September 19, 2021 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

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+ *Please Stand*

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Organ Prelude**

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

Arr. David Lowe

**Brief Order for Confession & Forgiveness**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** Most merciful God,

**C We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors and ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us, and for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

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## Opening Hymn

### I Love Your Kingdom, Lord

I love your kingdom, Lord,  
the place of your abode;  
the church our blest Redeemer saved  
with his own precious blood.

I love your church, O God!  
Its walls before you stand,  
dear as the apple of your eye  
and graven on your hand.

Beyond my highest joy  
I prize its heav'nly ways,  
its sweet communion, solemn vows,  
its hymns of love and praise.

Sure as your truth shall last,  
to Zion shall be giv'n  
the brightest glories earth can yield,  
and brighter bliss of heav'n.

Text: Timothy Dwight, 1752-1817, alt.

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**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C** And also with you.

## The Hymn of Praise

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa-ther:

We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men

## The Prayer of The Day

## The Children's Sermon

**The First Lesson****Jeremiah 11:18-20**

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, 'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!' But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

**Choir Anthem****The Chancel Choir****The Second Lesson****James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. 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.

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
 You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

**C** Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;<sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

**P The Gospel of the Lord.**

**C** Praise to you, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

**The Sermon Hymn**

**Sing to the Lord of Harvest**

Sing to the Lord of harvest,  
sing songs of love and praise;  
with joyful hearts and voices  
your alleluias raise.  
By him the rolling seasons  
in fruitful order move;  
sing to the Lord of harvest  
a joyous song of love.

God makes the clouds drop fatness,  
the deserts bloom and spring,  
the hills leap up in gladness,  
the valleys laugh and sing.  
God fills them with his fullness,  
all things with large increase;  
he crowns the year with goodness,  
with plenty and with peace.

Bring to this sacred altar  
the gifts his goodness gave,  
the golden sheaves of harvest,  
the souls Christ died to save.  
Your hearts lay down before him  
when at his feet you fall,  
and with your lives adore him  
who gave his life for all.

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.

## The Apostles' Creed

- + I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.\*  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. **Amen**

## The Prayers of The Church

### The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### Benediction

- P** The Lord Bless You & 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**

Musical notation for the Benediction. The score is written for two staves: a treble clef staff (top) and a bass clef staff (bottom). The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with some accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: A - men, A - men, A - - - men.



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## **The Closing Hymn**

### **O Savior, Precious Savior**

O Savior, precious Savior,  
whom yet unseen we love;  
O name of might and favor,  
all other names above:  
we worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our holy Lord and King.

O bringer of salvation,  
who wondrously hast wrought,  
thyself the revelation  
of love beyond our thought:  
we worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our gracious Lord and King.

In thee all fullness dwelleth,  
all grace and pow'r divine;  
the glory that excelleth,  
O Son of God, is thine.  
We worship thee; we bless thee;  
to thee alone we sing;  
we praise thee and confess thee,  
our glorious Lord and King.

Oh, grant the consummation  
of this our song above,  
in endless adoration  
and everlasting love;  
then shall we praise and bless thee  
where perfect praises ring,  
and evermore confess thee,  
our Savior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879

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**The Communion**

**Piano Postlude**

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**We Welcome You to  
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church...**

Whether you are a long time member, friend at St. Paul's, or here for the first time, we are glad you are with us in worship today! If you are in need of pastoral care, please give us a call.

If you will be entering the hospital or preparing for any surgical procedures, please let the Pastor know so he can plan to visit and have prayer with you during this time.

All are welcome to partake in The Communion at the end of the service. After The Consecration, as you leave, receive the Blessing and The Body & Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ and then proceed to the Narthex to exit.

Thank you for checking the "prayer list" posted in the bulletin today and for helping us to keep this list current by notifying the office with any updates.

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**We Remember in Our Prayers...**

Betty Bacon, Hal Behnke, Kevin, Sarah & Molly Boatright, Angie Briggs, Jean Camp, Chuck Campbell, Pat Cunningham, Hank & Marion Groover, Virginia Huber, Denny Jacobi, Clarke Jones, Don Kennedy, Shirley Kennedy, Stevie & Angie Kennedy, John I. Lanier, Ann Lariscy, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Jane McClain, Nancy Merk, Rita Monson, Page Kleinsteuber Park, Dorothy Perry, Jodi Ragno, Leonora Reid, Frankie Rivenbark, Kay Sellman, Barbara Tyson, Jackie Walker, Bart Waller, Melissa Waller, Simone Wiggins and Stan Woo.

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**Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2021 Offerings**  
\$8,000.00

**Received From Current Offerings Last Sunday**  
\$3,644.00

**Worship Statistics Last Week In Person & At Home**  
8:30 - 36 11:00 - 47 Facebook - 72

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**Our Worship Leaders & Staff...**

**Senior Pastor...** The Rev. Peter J. Hartmann  
**Director of Music & CFO ...** Donald R. Martin, Jr.  
**Senior Organist ...** Rebecca T. McClain  
**Facilities Coordinators ...**  
Rebecca T. McClain & Richard Wolf  
**Chancel Choir Soprano Section Leaders ...**  
Melissa Flummerfelt & Sarah P. Taito  
**Chancel Choir Tenor Section Leader ...** Carl Lettow  
**Chancel Choir Bass Section Leader ...** Anthony Broadnax  
**Pre-School Director ...** Gina Johnson  
**Assistant Pre-School Director ...** Cynthia Thomas  
**Parish Housekeeping ...** April Reilly

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**Our Lectors Today**

8:30 Charlie Schafer 11:00 Gene Henry

**September Altar Guild**

8:30 Lisa Gnann & Becky Truluck

11:00 Candy Green & Alison Gaudry

**Liturgical Service Cantors**

8:30 Melissa Flummerfelt 11:00 Scott Leary

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