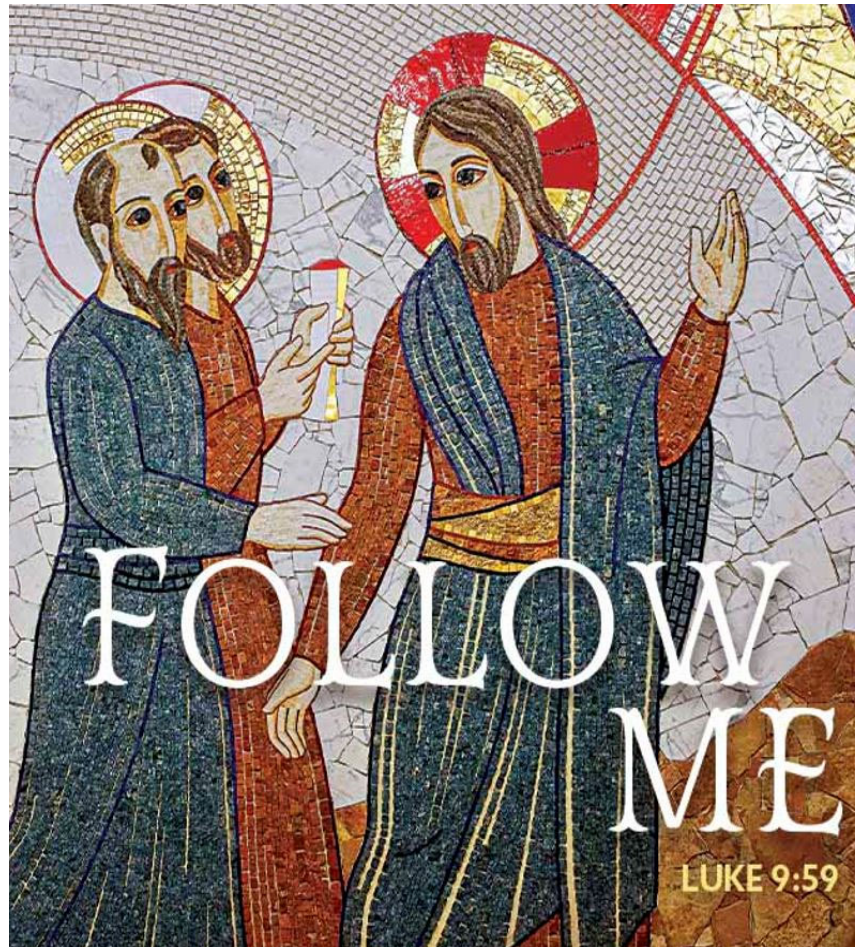


St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



The Third Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, June 29, 2025 10:00 a.m.

10 West 31st Street, Savannah, Georgia

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Welcome & Announcements

Service Prelude
Jared Hall, Organist

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 as 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.

Opening Hymn

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Children of the Heavenly Father #474

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;
2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, In his ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;
4 Though he giv - eth or he tak - eth, God his chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth;

Nest-ling bird or star in heav - en Such a ref - uge ne'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things he spares them, In his might - y arms he bears them.
Un - to them his grace he show - eth, And their sor - rows all he know - eth.
His the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Children of the Heavenly Father #474'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass staff. The first system contains four lines of lyrics, and the second system contains four lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, accessible style, likely for a children's choir or a small group.

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 Gloria



⌕ 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

Recognition of Birthdays & The Children's Sermon

The First Lesson

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

¹⁵ Then the LORD said to [Elijah,] “Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. ¹⁶ Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place.” ¹⁹ So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. ²⁰ He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” Then Elijah said to him, “Go back again; for what have I done to you?” ²¹ He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Here Ends the First Lesson

Hymn of the Day

“Pass It On”

Unison

1. It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire
2. What a won - drous time is spring, when all the trees are
3. I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi-ness that

go - ing, and soon all those a - round can
bud - ding; the birds be - gin to sing, the
I've found; you can de - pend on him, it

warm up in its glow-ing. That's how it is with
flow - ers start their bloom-ing. That's how it is with
mat - ters not where you're bound. I'll shout it from the

God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you spread his love to
God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you want to sing, it's
moun - tain-top; I want my world to know; the Lord of love has

ev - ery-one; you want to pass it on.
fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.
come to me, I want to pass it on.

The Second Lesson

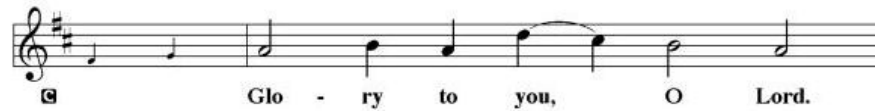
Galatians 5:1, 13-25

¹ For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. ¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. ¹⁶ Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Here Ends the Second Lesson

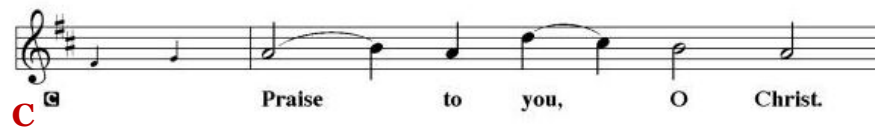


P The Holy Gospel According to St. Luke, the ninth chapter.



⁵¹ When the days drew near for [Jesus] to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, “Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?” ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village. ⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.” ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, “Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.” ⁵⁹ To another he said, “Follow me.” But he said, “Lord, first let me go and bury my father.” ⁶⁰ But Jesus said to him, “Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.” ⁶¹ Another said, “I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” ⁶² Jesus said to him, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”

P The Gospel of the Lord



The Sermon

Rev. Peter J. Hartmann

The Sermon Hymn

My Faith Looks Up to Thee #479

1 My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Cal - va - ry,
2 May thy rich grace im - part Strength to my faint - ing heart,
3 While life's dark maze I tread And griefs a - round me spread,
4 When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold, sul - len stream

Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me while I pray, Take all my
My zeal in - spire; As thou hast died for me, Oh, may my
Be thou my guide; Bid dark - ness turn to day, Wipe sor - row's
Shall o'er me roll; Blest Sav - ior, then, in love Fear and dis -

guilt a - way, Oh, let me from this day Be whol - ly thine!
love to thee Pure, warm, and change - less be, A liv - ing fire!
tears a - way, Nor let me ev - er stray From thee a - side.
trust re-move; Oh, bear me safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the piano accompaniment in the bass staff. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with line numbers 1 through 4 corresponding to the first four lines of the hymn. The score concludes with a final double bar line and a repeat sign.

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.**

P The Peace of The Lord Be with You.

C And Also with You.

Sharing of The Peace & Chancel Choir Anthem

The Offering

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

P Let Us Pray

P Merciful Father,

C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love, Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesu Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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.

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might

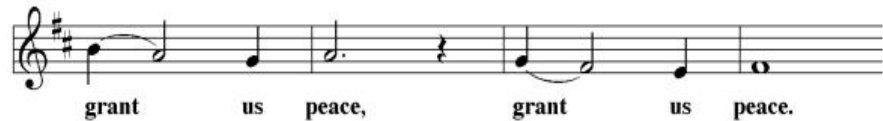
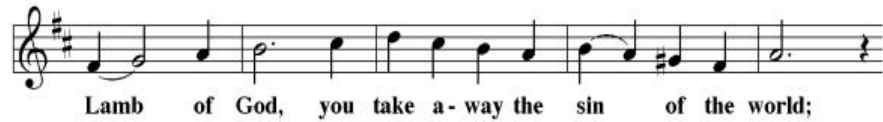
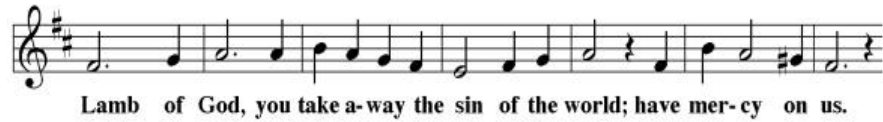
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

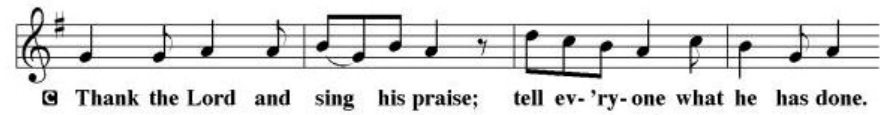
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Words of Institution

The Communion



P The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.



Benediction

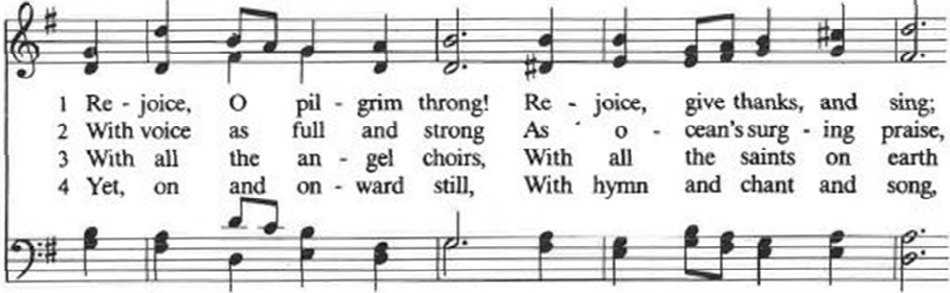
P The Lord Bless You & Keep You, The Lord Make His Face Shine on you and Be Gracious to You, The Lord Look Upon You with Favor, and Give You Peace.



The Closing Hymn

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Rejoice. O Pilgrim Throng #553



1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing;
2 With voice as full and strong As o - cean's surg - ing praise,
3 With all the an - gel choirs, With all the saints on earth
4 Yet, on and on - ward still, With hymn and chant and song,



Your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, The cross of Christ your king.
Send forth the stur - dy hymns of old, The psalms of an - cient days.
Pour out the strains of joy and bliss, True rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
Through gate and porch and col - umned aisle The hal - lowed path - ways throng.



Refrain
Re - joice! Re - joice! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing!

5 Still lift your standard high,
Still march in firm array,
As pilgrims through the darkness wend
Till dawns the golden day. *Refrain*

6 At last the march shall end;
The wearied ones shall rest;
The pilgrims find their home at last,
Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

7 Praise him who reigns on high,
The Lord whom we adore:
The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
One God forevermore. *Refrain*

P/C Go In Peace! Serve The Lord! / **Thanks Be To God!**

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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. 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...

Kevin Boatright, Ronnie & Delores Boatright, Angie Briggs, Alan Brown, Florence Brown, Tom Brown, Jean Camp, Kim Conway, Alice Ann Duggar, David Fennell, Miriam Fulton, Frances Graff, Louise Grotheer, Gene Henry, Don Kennedy, Dianne Martin, George Martin Sr., Joan Martin, Sydney Oetgen, Al Schunemann, Kay Sellman, Isabelle Sherouse, Charlie Smith, Debbie Sonnenschmidt, Barbara & Tim Tyson, Melissa Waller, Michelle Ward, Joe Whitaker and Alan Wyatt.

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**Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2025 Offerings
\$8,200.00**

**Received From Current Offerings 5/22 & 5/29:
\$ 5,056.00**

Worship Statistics Last Week:

10:00 AM - 55 Facebook Broadcast - 120

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Altar Guild Donna Wall

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Emma Levy & Donald Martin, Jr.

Communion Assistants

Jim & Michelle Ward

Narthex Greeters Chuck McCallar

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**Mark your Calendars for
Summer Family Fun...
JULY 22nd 5:30 PM
Summer Bar-B-Que
Entertainment by Our Own
Jared Hall & Friends**



Mark your Calendars for Lutheran World Relief Spaghetti Supper Night

**Silent Auction and Talent Show
Wine Bar**

**AUGUST 10th at 5:30 PM
In Hoffner Hall**



Please See Pastor to Schedule Your Talent Act!

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