St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, October 19, 2025 10:00 a.m.

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Service Prelude

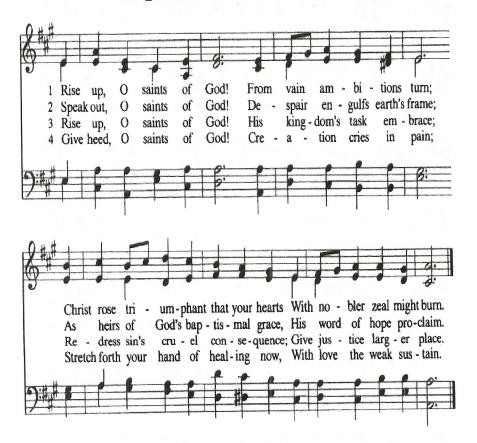
Jared Hall, Organist

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

"Rise Up, O Saints of God" #383



5 Commit your hearts to seek The paths which Christ has trod And quickened by the Spirit's power, Rise up, O saints of God!

- **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.



Recognition of Birthdays & The Children's Sermon

The First Lesson

The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. 23 He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. 24 Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. 25 When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. 26 Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." 27 So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." 28 Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." 29 Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. 30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." 31 The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Here Ends the First Lesson

The Hymn of The Day

"Let There Be Peace On Earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be.
With God as our Father
Brothers all are we.
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me,
Let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry step I take
Let this be my solemn vow;
To take each moment and live
Each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

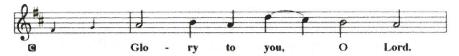
By: Sy & Jill Jackson

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it 15 and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness. Tso that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. 41 In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: 2 proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. 5 As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Here Ends the Second Lesson



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



Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. 3 In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' 4 For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, vet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says." And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? 8 I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

P The Gospel of the Lord



The Sermon The Sermon Hymn

Rev. Peter J. Hartmann "Here I am, Lord"



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**

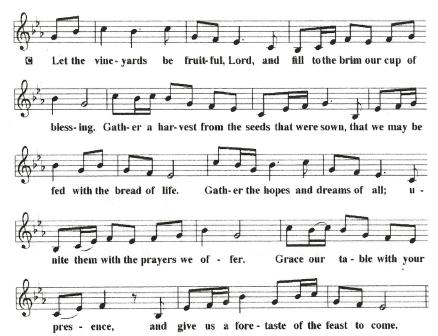
The Prayers of The Church

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



- 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, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving



The Words of Institution





The Closing Hymn

"4 Know That My Redeemeer Lives" #352



- 5 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to plead for me above; he lives my hungry soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; 8 He lives, all glory to his name! he lives and loves me to the end: he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing; he lives, my prophet, priest, and king!
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death; he lives my mansion to prepare; he lives to bring me safely there.
- He lives, my Savior, still the same; what joy this blest assurance gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

P/C Go In Peace! Serve The Lord! / Thanks Be To God! Jared Hall Postlude

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.

We Remember in Our Prayers...

Kevin Boatright, Ronnie & Delores Boatright, Angie Briggs, Florence Brown, Tom Brown, Jean Camp, Alice Ann Duggar, David Fennell, George Flathmann, Miriam Fulton, Frances Graff, Louise Grotheer, Gene Henry, Don Kennedy, Dianne 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.

Current Budgetary Needs Each Sunday From 2025 Offerings

\$8,200.00

Received From Current Offerings Last Week:

\$4,770.00

Worship Statistics Last Week:

10:00 AM - 72 Facebook Broadcast - 79

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Our Worship Leaders & Staff...

Senior Pastor... The Rev. Peter J. Hartmann
Director of Music & CFO ... Donald R. Martin, Jr.
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Organ Curator ... James Freeman - Callahan, Florida
Office Administrator ... Fran Snipes
"The Epistle" ... Betsy Martin
Facebook Live Broadcasting... Lisa B. Martin
Chancel Choir Bass Section Leader ... Anthony Broadnax
Chancel Choir Soprano Section Leader ... Evelyn Thomas
Pre-School Director ... Gina Johnson
Assistant Pre-School Director ... Cynthia Thomas
Parish Housekeeping ... April Reilly

Our Lector Today

Hunter Hadden

Altar Guild

Lynn Wood, Ricky Truluck, Erin Foose & Charlie Schafer

Liturgical Service Cantors

Emma Levy & Carol Stemsrud

Communion Assistants

Lisa Gnann & Bill Wiggins

Narthex Greeters

Charlie Schafer

We Welcome...

Ms. Evelyn Thomas to our Chancel Choir

Evelyn joins us as a Choral Scholar From Georgia Southern University here in Savannah and is a Student of Dr. Emily Hall.

We Welcome... Mr. Allan Berry, II to our Chancel Choir

Allan joins us as a Choral Scholar From Georgia Southern University here in Savannah and is a Student of Dr. Emily Hall.



Operation Christmas Child The Power of a Simple Gift

Churches in more than 100 countries distribute gift-filled shoeboxes to boys and girls during outreach events that focus on Jesus Christ, God's Greatest Gift.

Operation Christmas Child Is Ongoing! Pick Up Your Box Today! Collection Week is November 16th—23rd!



Day Care Halloween Festival
Thursday, October 30th
4PM to 6PM + Hoffner Hall
Hamburgers & Fixin's
Sign-Up in the Narthex
for Your Hamburger Dinner
Pre-School Age Children Welcome!

C O N G R E G A T I O N A L M E E T I N G

THANKSGIVING COVERED DISH LUNCHEON
And CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
Sunday, November 23rd @ 11AM
After the 10AM Service...
Ham, Turkey & Drinks Available!!!