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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

“SERVICE OF THE WORD”

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15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

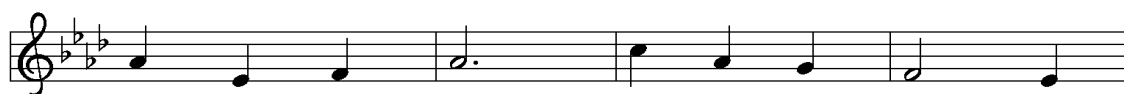
GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*The congregation is invited to reply in places where the **bold** print appears.*

PRELUDE: Hymn #731 *Optional singalong*

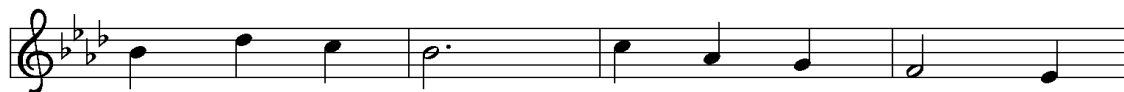
Earth and All Stars!



1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals!
3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!
4 Class-rooms and labs! Loud boil - ing test tubes!
5 Knowl-edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!



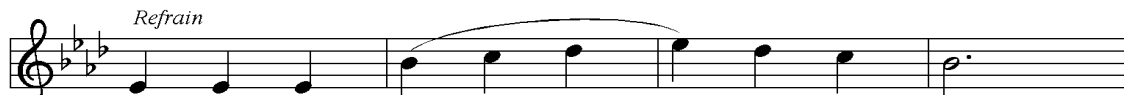
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Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing snow - storm!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming cel - los!
Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing work - ers!
Ath - lete and band! Loud cheer - ing peo - ple!
Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing mem - bers!



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God has done mar - vel - ous things.



I too sing prais - es with a new song!

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Music: EARTH AND ALL STARS, David N. Johnson, 1922–1987
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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

A time of silence...

Faithful God,
have mercy on us.

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own ways.

We pass judgment on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

**Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and
resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims:

Your sins are forgiven in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
Amen.



GATHERING SONG: Hymn #460

Now the Silence

The musical score is written on seven staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed', 'Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come', 'Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing', 'Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion', 'Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing', 'Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny', and 'Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now'.

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Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919

Music: NOW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of forgiveness.
Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you, that we may
delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Genesis 50:15-21

A reading from Genesis.

¹⁵Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

A time of silence follows the reading.

PSALM: Psalm 103: 8-13

⁸Lord, you are full of compas- | sion and mercy,
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love;

⁹**you will not al- | ways accuse us,
nor will you keep your an- | ger forever.**

¹⁰You have not dealt with us according | to our sins,
nor repaid us according to | our iniquities.

¹¹**For as the heavens are high a- | bove the earth,
so great is your steadfast love for | those who fear you.**

¹²As far as the east is | from the west,
so far have you removed our transgres- | sions from us.

¹³**As a father has compassion | for his children,
so you have compassion for those who fear | you, O Lord. R**

SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

A reading from Romans.

¹Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

⁵Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

⁷We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. ¹¹For it is written,

“As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God.”

¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.



²¹Peter came and said to [Jesus], “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” ²²Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

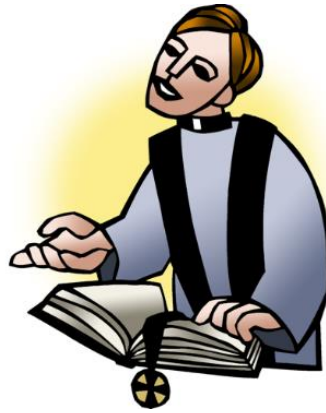
²³“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³²Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON – Rev. Chad R. Adamik

A time of silence follows the sermon.



SONG OF THE DAY: Hymn #834

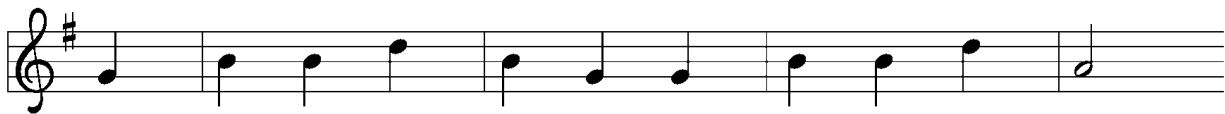
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn together in the compassion of God, we pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

You welcome us when we are weak in faith. Uphold your church throughout the world; make it a place of welcome. Strengthen faith through Bible studies and Sunday schools, confirmation classes and youth ministries. Nurture new ministries of education and growth. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The heights of the heavens show us the vastness of your steadfast love. Have compassion on your creation. Where human selfishness has brought ruin and destruction, we look to you to heal, renew, and redeem your world. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Make your ways known to the nations. Speak kindness to our bitter grudges. Settle our hearts when we want to settle accounts with violence. Bless our leaders with patience and wisdom. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Bring healing and justice wherever harm is dealt. Provide vindication for all who are oppressed. Free victims of human trafficking and forced labor; deliver all who are bound by debt. Feed all who hunger, and guard refugees fleeing famine, poverty, and war. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Teach us to forgive. Remind us that you do not always accuse us. Still our tongues when we are tempted to pass judgment and argue over opinions. Make this congregation a community of mercy for one another and for all our neighbors. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. We thank you for those who have showed us faithfulness, for the knees that taught us how to bow to you and the tongues that taught us to praise you. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

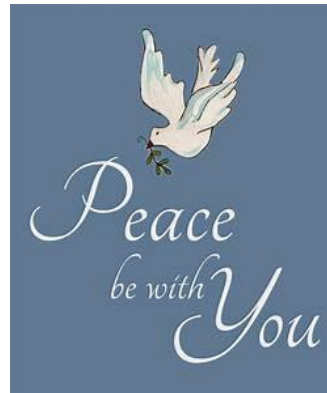
All these things and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your mercy;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.



CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING:

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**Great and wonderful are your deeds,
O God of the universe;**

**just and true are your ways,
O Ruler of all the nations.**

**Who can fail to honor you, Lord,
and sing the glory of your name?**

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
and blessed is the one
whose name is the Word of God.**

All praise and thanks to you, holy God!

**Salvation belongs to our God
and to Christ the Lamb forever and ever.**



THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray.

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,
we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us...

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.

SENDING

God sends us forth in the service of others.

BLESSING

The God of steadfastness and encouragement
grant you to live in harmony with one another,
in accordance with Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The God of all grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING

People of God, we have been given a mission:

“St. Paul’s Lutheran Family lifts high the cross to proclaim the good news of God’s love to all people.”

People of God, we have been given a vision:

“The vision of St. Paul’s Lutheran Family is to seek God’s path for our lives and the life of the church and to compassionately lead, serve, and share Jesus Christ with the community and world.”

People of God, we have much work to do:

“For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God”
(Hebrews 3:4)

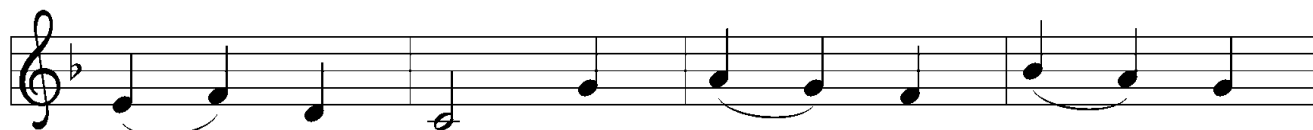


SENDING SONG: Hymn #551

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE: Air by George Frideric Handel

Dave Lingensjo

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PAUL'S VITAL STATS



ATTENDANCE

08/08/2020 Drive-in: Unavailable & 08/09/2020 Drive-in: 29
08/15/2020 Drive-in: 25 & 08/16/2020 Drive-in: 27
08/22/2020 Drive-in: 18 & 08/23/2020 Drive-in: 20
08/30/2020 Drive-in: TBA
09/06/2020 Drive-in: 27

OFFERINGS

08/08/2020 & 08/09/2020: \$3,682.00
08/15/2020 & 08/16/2020: \$1,910.00
08/22/2020 & 08/23/2020: \$2,967.17
08/30/2020: TBA
09/06/2020: \$4,775.70

Offering amounts include budgetary receipts.

CONTRIBUTIONS

To meet our **2019-2020 budget**, we need
average unrestricted donations of **\$4,719 per week**.

The Simply Giving Program is promoted by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
and administered by Vanco Payment Solutions.

If you are interested in using this service, or have any questions,
please call Holly McPhail at 775 443-6639.

You may also pick up Thrivent forms at the church office.

**Thank you for your continuing support of our ministry at
St. Paul's Lutheran Family!**



SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Raelynn Norman (niece of Judy McPhail)
 Brandon Luterick, Heather Joyner (Johnson),
 Peter Elverum, Sarah McGee,
 Olivia Lesperance, and John Duffy
 (nephew of Sharon and Tom Gesick)
 Matthew Russell (nephew of Judy McPhail),
 and Justin Snowden.



FIREFIGHTERS/PEACE OFFICERS

Andy Steyn, Brian Hillenbrand, Tina Sherman, Mark Dickens, John Gould, and Jason Wildblood.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Doug Thunder, knee replacement surgery;
 Wayne Opperman, recovery from hip replacement surgery;
 Nikki Rohrs, recovery from knee replacement surgery;
 James Wilson, Hannelore Hanke, Frank Bartlett,
 Renee Woslum, Glenn Laursen, Edward Yoho,
 Madelene Yoho, Fern Yoho, Maxine McGregor (Madelene's sister), DeWayne Evans,
 Lynn Gross, Evelyn Luterick, Sarah Jevne, Peggy Truttman, Norman Brewer (Mary
 DeFelice's brother), Katherine, cancer (Susie Anderson's sister); Holly and Trevis
 (Requested by Deon Ferguson, a friend of St. Paul's); Ryan Lynch, diagnosed with
 lymphoma (Godson of Peg and John Bradtke); Richard Bradshaw, cancer (Ruth
 Fitzgerald's cousin); and a special prayer for all the victims of COVID-19.

Please pray this pandemic will end soon!



CONTINUING PRAYERS FOR

Frank and Shirley Bartlett, Bev Gutzman, and Sandy Danforth, Carol Kalleres,
 continued health issues; Bev Steinert, ongoing vision issues; James Wilson,
 continued health issues; Mary Ann Adamik, healing; Ellen Harrell, medical issues;
 Betty Razor, healing; Debbie Revelle, healing from severe heart and lung disease;
 Maxine Bowton, Harold Nolte, Karen (Hone) Nolte, and Diana Johns.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN FAMILY CALENDER

THIS WEEKEND

9/13 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>

NEXT SUNDAY

9/20 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lg>



THIS SUNDAY

Drive-in worship
9:00 AM in St. Paul's parking lot
Pastor Chad Adamik, Presiding
Greeter – TBA
Counters – Deanna Fine and
Mary DeFelice
Reader – Ken Beaton



The Northern California and Northern Nevada Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association is here for you. Our physical doors may be closed, but our staff is working remotely and continuing to serve our community from our homes to yours. We offer a variety of no cost virtual education presentations, local telephone/video support groups, early stage engagement activities, respite funding, care consultation, information and referral, and our 24/7 helpline. For more information visit alz.org/nornev or call 1-800-3900.

Help is needed to clean the kitchen, straighten the Luther Room, and give the building a good once over before St. Paul's reopens. We also still need help painting the narthex.

Please contact Jay Olshen (olshen@charter.net) regarding the painting or call the Property Manager Clay Woslum about helping with the cleanup. 775 883-7748

If you wish to be a team leader and organize a cleaning day, please do!



UPDATE YOUR
CONTACT INFO

If you need to make changes to the church directory, please send the information to the office now. Thanks!



Just as in the past, the LEE Group will host a Flu Shot Clinic at St. Paul's on **October 1st from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** (tentatively).

This year it will be a **DRIVE-IN clinic**.

Please check future announcements for more information.
Many thanks to Vicki Hamilton for arranging this clinic for us.

Thank you to all those who have supported our church through your offerings and labors during this pandemic.

