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20^H SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 18, 2020

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

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.

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

Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

READING: Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped
to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,
to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:

²I will go before you
and level the mountains,
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,

³I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name,
I surname you, though you do not know me.

⁵I am the Lord, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,
⁶so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the Lord, and there is no other.
⁷I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the Lord do all these things.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(A time of silence follows the reading.)

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

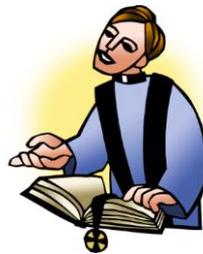
The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap [Jesus] in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” ²¹They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.



SERMON – Rev. Chad Adamik

(A time of silence follows the Sermon.)

We respond to the hearing of God’s Word with the Creed below.)

CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With confidence in God's grace and mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

Gracious God, you call us by name and invite us to share your good news. Send your Holy Spirit among preachers, missionaries, and evangelists. We give thanks for the witness of your servant Luke, the evangelist, whom the church commemorates today.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of praise, the heavens and all creation declare your salvation. From the rising of the sun to its setting, may the whole universe show forth your goodness. Raise up devoted stewards of all that you have made. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of all, may your word of justice sound forth in every place.
Restore divided nations and communities with reconciling truth.
Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of light, we pray for those living with pain, illness, isolation,
grief, anger, or doubt (*especially*). Join their voices in a new song,
assuring them that you call them each by name. Lord, in your
mercy,
hear our prayer.

God of truth, you show no partiality. May your spirit guide the
work of justices, magistrates, court officials, and all vocations of
the law, that your promise of restoration may be known. Lord, in
your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Living God, as you raised Jesus from the dead, so raise up those
who have died in you (*especially*). We give thanks for their
witness, confident of your rescuing welcome for all. Lord, in your
mercy,
hear our prayer.

Listen as we call on you, O God, and enfold in your loving arms all
for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.



**Please share a sign of peace, maintaining physical distance
(Pastor will demonstrate)*

OFFERING & TITHES ARE BROUGHT FORWARD



OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
You have set before us these gifts of your good creation.
Prepare us for your heavenly banquet,
nourish us with this rich food and drink,
and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world,
through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

(The table is set for Holy Communion.)

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast. By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

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.

COMMUNION:

Peel back the CLEAR wrapping, covering the wafer.

Remove the wafer, and eat...

Peel back the covering for the grape juice, and drink...

As we commune, we sing (next page)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Share the good news!

Thanks be to God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. PAUL'S VITAL STATS



ATTENDANCE

09/20/2020 Drive-in: 29
09/27/2020 Drive-in: 37
10/04/2020 Drive-in: 35
10/10/20 & 10/11/20: 34

OFFERINGS

09/20/2020 - \$1,660.00
09/27/2020 - \$1,654.00
10/04/2020 - \$4,526.00
10/10/20 & 10/11/20 - \$3,122.00

Our offerings are falling short of our weekly goals.

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.



FIREFIIGHTERS/PEACE OFFICERS

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

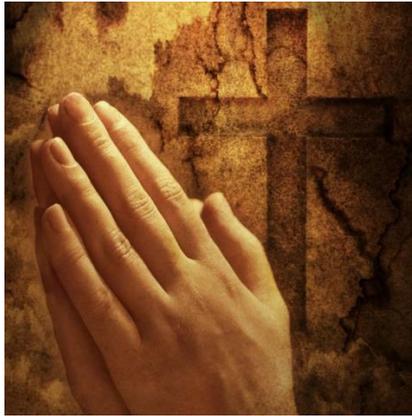
PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Ray Dalke, kidney and heart failure (nephew of Gayle Kennett); Doug Thunder, knee replacement surgery; Bill Sandell, hospitalized for 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 SATURDAY

10/17 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Online Service)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lq>

4:00 PM

Greeters – Judy McPhail and Louise Griffith

Reader – Judy McPhail

Usher – Greg Griffith

THIS SUNDAY

10/18 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Online Service)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lq>

8:00 AM

Greeters – Brita Steyn and Sharon Melsheimer

Reader – Vera Logie

Usher – TBA

10:30 AM

Greeter – Ruth Fitzgerald and Betty Thoreson

Counters – David Harrell and Mary DeFelice

Reader – Ruth Fitzgerald

Usher – TBA

NEXT SATURDAY

10/24 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (Online Service)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCujH57tQGEsCKJhKyE8q2Lq>

4:00 PM

Greeters – TBA

Reader – TBA

Usher – TBA

NEXT SUNDAY

10/25 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (Online Service)

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

8:00 AM

Greeters – Andrea and Jim Rud

Reader – Carol Arneson

Usher – TBA

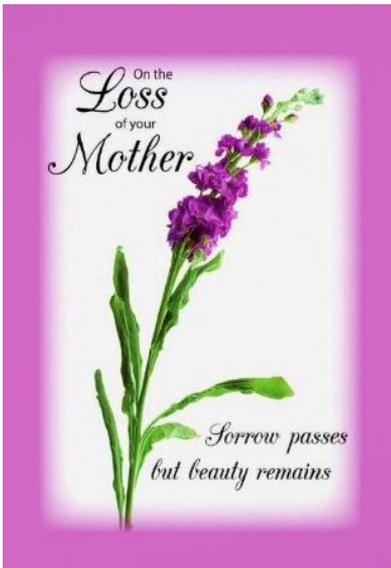
10:30 AM

Greeter – Nikki Rohrs and Linda Thronson

Counters – David Harrell and Rene Woslum

Reader – Deanna Fine

Usher – TBA



We grieve with Ruth Fitzgerald
and her family on the passing
of her mother Dorothy Hulbert
this past Sunday, October 11th.

Church Volunteers

Lay servants are needed for all worship services.
Please contact the following people to sign-up:



Altar Guild: Jeanne Russell, 775 882-5397
detaillady2002@att.net

Greeters: Andrea Rud, 701 430-1071 askinnd@yahoo.com

Counters: Mary DeFelice, 775 882-0916
marenang@hotmail.com

Readers: Judy McPhail, 775 841-7620 jmc1966@live.com

Ushers: Dave Harrell, 775 315-4661
davidharrell93@yahoo.com

Thank you in advance for your help!

Don't forget to call the church office (**775 882-3020**),
text (**775 297-5986**),
or email (**stpaulcarson@gmail.com**)
your reservation for the worship service you wish to attend.

The **deadline** for reservations is on **Friday at 12:00 noon**
each week.

**RESERVE YOUR
SEAT TODAY!**

Many thanks to all our lay volunteers and especially October's Altar Guild members Jeanne Russell, Lauri Brown, Sharon Melsheimer, and Brita Steyn.



Please send your letters and offerings to St. Paul's Post Office Box, **NOT** the physical address.

The church mailbox is **NOT** secure.

Thank you!

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If you have an article or story you'd like to share for the November newsletter, please submit it to the office ASAP.