

*St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
310 West Main Street  
Saxonburg, PA  
724-352-2333*

Sunday, September 30, 2018

Holy Communion

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

8:15 and 10:45 am

Setting 10

**PRELUDE**    *The Lone, Wild Bird -- Robert Lau*

*(When the music of the prelude begins, please lower your voice;  
but, after worship raise your voice with joy!)*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Pastor:    In the name of the Father,  
              and of the + Son,  
              and of the Holy Spirit.

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

*Please kneel for silent self-reflection*

**P:** Most merciful God,

**C:** **we confess that we are captive 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:** In the mercy of almighty God,  
Jesus Christ was given to die for us,  
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.  
To those who believe in Jesus Christ  
he gives the power to become the children of God  
and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## GATHERING SONG

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (ELW 836)*

## GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.  
Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## READING: Genesis 2: 4-25

A reading from chapter 2 of Genesis.

<sup>4</sup>This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, when the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.

<sup>5</sup>Now no shrub had yet appeared on the earth and no plant had yet sprung up, for the LORD God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no one to work the ground, <sup>6</sup>but streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

<sup>8</sup>Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. <sup>9</sup>The LORD God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

<sup>10</sup> A river watering the garden flowed from Eden; from there it was separated into four headwaters. <sup>11</sup> The name of the first is the Pishon; it winds through the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold.

<sup>12</sup> (The gold of that land is good; aromatic resin and onyx are also there.) <sup>13</sup> The name of the second river is the Gihon; it winds through the entire land of Cush. <sup>14</sup> The name of the third river is the Tigris; it runs along the east side of Ashur. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; <sup>17</sup> but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

<sup>18</sup> The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

<sup>19</sup> Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. <sup>21</sup> So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man’s ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

<sup>23</sup> The man said,  
“This is now bone of my bones  
and flesh of my flesh;  
she shall be called ‘woman,’  
for she was taken out of man.”

<sup>24</sup> That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.

<sup>25</sup> Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

**L:** The Word of the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**10:45 AM     KING'S KIDZ**

*(Children ages 5 to 4th grade – enjoy hearing the daily lesson in “kid’s terms.”)*

### **SERMON**

#### **APOSTLES' 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 power of 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**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L:     Lord, in your mercy.**

**C:     Hear our prayer.**

#### **EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF OUR LORD**

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY**

**8:15    They'll Know We Are Christians -- Lyndell Leatherman**

**10:45   How Firm a Foundation – Arr. By Richard Walters**

## OFFERING PRAYER

- P: Let us pray.  
Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.  
Day by day you shower us with blessings.  
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,  
give us glad and generous hearts,  
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: **Amen.**

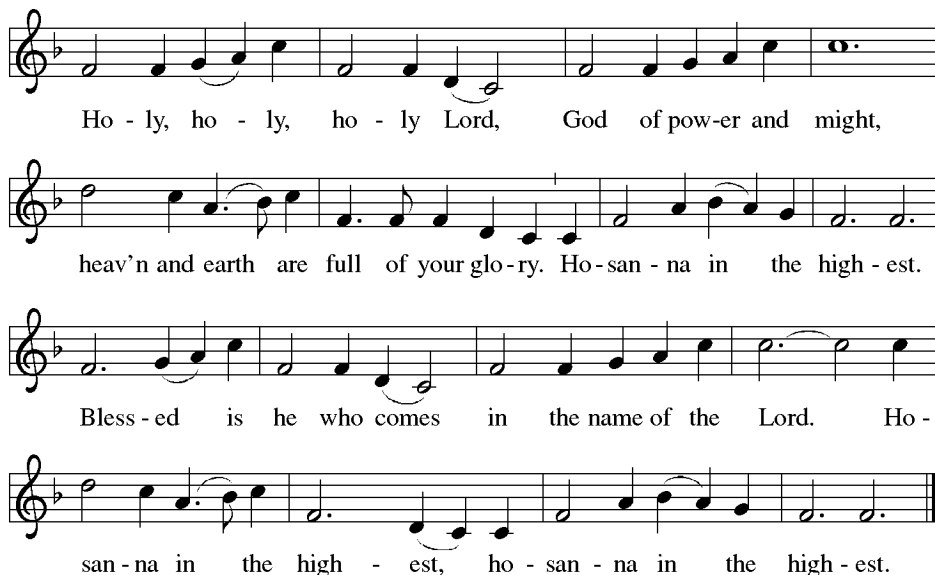
## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- L: The Lord be with you.
- C: **And also with you.**
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
through our Savior Jesus Christ;  
who on this day overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of  
everlasting life.  
And so, with all the choirs of angels,  
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS *Holy, Holy, Holy*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

## 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,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 forever and ever. Amen.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.  
 C: Amen

## COMMUNION

### COMMUNION SONG *Lamb of God*



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;  
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.  
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

8:15 *This Is My Father's World (ELW 824)*



**10:45**

***Holy Ground***

We are standing on holy ground,  
And I know that there are angels all around.  
Let us praise Jesus now.  
We are standing in his presence on holy ground.  
(repeat)

***How Great is Our God***

The splendor of a King, clothed in majesty  
Let all the Earth rejoice  
All the Earth rejoice

He wraps himself in light  
And darkness tries to hide  
And trembles at His voice  
Trembles at His voice

**Refrain**

How great is our God, sing with me  
How great is our God, and all will see  
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands  
And time is in His hands  
Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One  
Father Spirit Son  
The Lion and the Lamb  
The Lion and the Lamb

**Refrain**

***He Reigns (It's the Song of the Redeemed)***

It's the song of the redeemed  
Rising from the African plain

It's the song of the forgiven  
Drowning out the Amazon rain

The song of Asian believers  
Filled with God's holy fire  
It's every tribe, every tongue, every nation  
A love song born of a grateful choir

(Chorus)  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns, He reigns  
It's all God's children singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns, He reigns

Let it rise above the four winds  
Caught up in the heavenly sound  
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals  
To the faithful gathered underground

Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation  
Some were meant to persist  
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples  
None rings truer than this

(Chorus – 2 times)

And all the powers of darkness  
Tremble at what they've just heard  
'Cause all the powers of darkness  
Can't drown out a single word

When all God's children sing out  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns, He reigns (He reigns)  
All God's children sing out  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns, He reigns (He reigns)

All God's people singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (every child)  
He reigns, He reigns (hallelujah, hallelujah)  
It's all God's people singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (every child)  
He reigns, He reigns, yeah (hallelujah, hallelujah)

All singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (every child)  
Glory, glory, yeah (hallelujah, he reigns, hallelujah)  
All singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (every child)  
He reigns (hallelujah, he reigns, hallelujah)

All God's people singing (you're my glory)  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (you're my glory, you're my glory)  
He reigns (hallelujah, he reigns, hallelujah)  
All God's people singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah (you're my glory)  
He reigns (hallelujah, he reigns, hallelujah)

All God's people singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns, He reigns  
All God's children singing  
Glory, glory, hallelujah  
He reigns

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**L:** Let us pray.  
Life-giving God,  
in the mystery of Christ's resurrection  
you send light to conquer darkness,  
water to give new life,  
and the bread of life to nourish your people.  
Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection,  
that we may show your glory to all the world,  
through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**C:** **Amen.**

## BLESSING

P:     The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
C:     **Amen.**

## SENDING SONG    *Earth and All Stars! (ELW 731)*

## DISMISSAL

P:     Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
C:     **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE   Fanfare of Praise -- Jason W. Krug

## PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK                      Genesis 3: 1-24

### WELCOME!

*Please complete the pew card before you leave worship this day. Pastor Keller would be happy to visit with you at the time and place of your choosing or call the church office at 724-352-2333 to make an appointment.*

### THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM INCLUDES:

	8:15 Service	10:45 Service
ACOLYTES	Alex Kadunce	Rachel Steiner and Evan Weston
ALTAR GUILD	Audrey Lott and Wendy Mendenhall	Jackie Bice
LECTOR/ASST. MIN	Cathy Boyd	Dick Beatty
GREETERS	Ruth Richards and Kathy McRandal	Helen McLafferty and Judy Moser
USHERS	Ron Boltz and Tim Markwell	John and Kelly Weston
OFFER. COUNTERS	Jackie Bice and Bob Bicker	

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### Attendance on Sunday, September 23, 2018

8:15	43	St. Luke's Lutheran Church
10:45	59	310 West Main Street
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Nursery	2	<a href="mailto:stlukechurch@consolidated.net">stlukechurch@consolidated.net</a>
Total	109	



# Disaster Response

## Hurricane Florence

There are two ways to support and show the love of God to those affected by Hurricane Florence.

1. **Monetary Donations** - To support Hurricane Florence relief efforts, you may send donations to St. Luke's Domestic Disaster Relief by dropping off a check or mailing a check made out to St. Luke's with Disaster Relief in the memo, to the church office and we will forward to the NALC Disaster Relief program.
2. **Disaster Care Kits** - The NALC is accepting donations of care kits, prepared by churches and destined for the North Carolina region. There are four types of kits:
  - a. Flood Bucket/Cleaning Supplies
  - b. Health Kits
  - c. School Kits
  - d. Baby Care Kits

More information on the kits can be found on the NALC website ([www.thenalc.org](http://www.thenalc.org)). If you would like to lead the campaign to do one or more of the kits on behalf of St. Luke's please see Pastor Keller.

### Thank you to the Sewing Ministry

The sewing ministry demonstrated how to love thy neighbor by donating 44 lap blankets and multiple quilts to the NALC Hurricane Florence Relief Efforts in North Carolina.



# THE STORY

**Last Sunday**

September 23

Chapter 1

Genesis 1, 2:1-3

**This Sunday**

September 30

Chapter 1

Genesis 2:4-25

**Next Sunday**

October 7

Chapter 1

Genesis 3:1-24