

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST September 27, 2020 9:30 am Worship Service

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA

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Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Gracious God,

- Cong.: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your gracious Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Pastor: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Jesus Christ our Lord, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
- Cong.: Amen.

Psalm: Psalm 25:1-9 (read responsively)

- ¹To [|] you, O LORD,
 - I lift up my soul.
- ²My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be [|] put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph [|] over me.
- ³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;

rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

- ⁴Show me your [|] ways, O LORD,
 - and teach I me your paths. R
- ⁵Lead me in your [|] truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all [|] the day long.
- ⁶Remember, O LORD, your compas-¹ sion and love, for they are from ¹ everlasting.

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and [|] my transgressions; remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your good- [|] ness, O LORD.

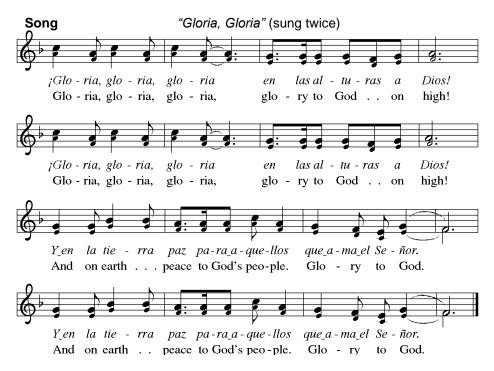
8You are gracious and up-¹ right, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners¹ in your way.

⁹You lead the low- [|] ly in justice and teach the low- [|] ly your way. **R**

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

L: Let us pray. *Response to the prayer:* **C: Amen.**

First Reading:

- L: A reading from Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading:

- L: A reading from Philippians 2:1-13 The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

- P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 21:23-32
- C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel concludes:

- P: The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Rotation Faith Formation

(The pastor will dismiss the PreK through 6th grade children to a leader at the Middle Street entrance who will lead them to the Gathering Room with Miss Gretchen. Please have children wear their masks. The children will return at the end of the service.)

Sermon



Text: Martin Luther, 1483–1546; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt. Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543 public domain

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 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 the People

Each petition ends with these words:

- L: Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers: C: Amen.

Offering



Offertory Prayer

- L: Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, 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.

Communion Prayer

P: In the night in which he was betrayed ...

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

Invitation to Communion

All baptized believers are welcome to commune. Gluten free wafers are also available.

Distribution of the Communion Wafer

(Please stand and remain at your chair. As the usher approaches, hold out an open hand, palm up, fingers straight out. The usher will place a wafer in your open palm. Do not touch the usher's hand. Do not touch the paten or other wafers. Such actions would cause contamination. Please take your seat after consuming the wafer so the ushers will know who has communed.)

Blessing

Response after the blessing: C: Amen.

Prayer after Communion

L: Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Benediction

Response: C: Amen.

Dismissal

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. *Response:* C: Thanks be to God.

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THE RADIO BROADCAST is sponsored to the Glory of God in honor of Harry Dusman's 85th birthday on September 30 by his loving children and their spouses, Gay & Ralph, Holly & Paul, Dan & Marie and his grandchildren, Matthew, Jared, Andrew, Alexandria, Lauren, Collin and Aaron.

BOTH VASES OF ALTAR FLOWERS are sponsored to the Glory of God in honor of Harry Dusman's 85th birthday on September 30 by his loving children and their spouses, Gay & Ralph, Holly & Paul, Dan & Marie and his grandchildren, Matthew, Jared, Andrew, Alexandria, Lauren, Collin and Aaron.

THE BULLETINS are sponsored to the Glory of God in honor of Harry Dusman's 85th birthday on September 30 by his loving children and their spouses, Gay & Ralph, Holly & Paul, Dan & Marie and his grandchildren, Matthew, Jared, Andrew, Alexandria, Lauren, Collin and Aaron.

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SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR:

Radio – October 4, 11, 18 & 25 (\$60 or any portion you desire) Flowers – October 25 two vases (\$20 per vase) Communion Element(s) – October 11 & 25 (\$12) Bulletins – October 25 (\$20) Eternal Flame – October 11 & 25 (\$10)

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET: Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. – **Philippians 2:3-4**

When we consider the interests of others something beautiful happens: Our own interests seem less important, our wants fewer, and relationships flourish. Only by aligning our wills and lives with Christ may we grow into the fullness of life God desires and intends for us.

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JOB OPENING – SEXTON – ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH – 127 YORK ST, HANOVER PA – Part-time position. Physical ability to lift/carry up to 25 pounds. Perform full range of cleaning and disinfecting functions. Maintain grounds. Minimum 2 years experience as janitor or housekeeper. PA Child Abuse Clearances required. Send resume to 127 York St. Hanover PA 17331 or email to <u>stpaulsyorkst@comcast.net</u>. No phone calls.

ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB will meet on <u>Wednesday, September 30, 2020</u> at the home of Janet Haack at 7:00 pm. Please note the change in location from the Evangel. The book we will be discussing is *"The Flight Girls"* by Noelle Salazar.

CARD SHOWER – The family of Harry Dusman has requested a card shower for Harry's 85th birthday which he will celebrate on <u>September 30</u>. Their goal is 85 cards for his 85th birthday. His address is:

Harry Dusman Homewood at Plum Creek 425 Westminster Ave Hanover PA 17331

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES. The Faith in Action Committee now has enough supplies to fill 100 backpacks. **THE BACKPACKS WILL BE FILLED** on <u>Friday, October 9, 2020</u> in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm and will then be taken to New Windsor, MD. If you can help with this activity, please come out and join us. The more hands the quicker it will go.

	September 27	October 4
Assisting Minister:	Betty Sheets	Russ Kaltreider
Ushers:	Terry Holtzman	Team 6
	Tom Miller	
Offering Deposit Team:	Laura Silver	Wayne Butler
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REMOTE OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; Friday – 8:00 am to noon (The physical church office will remain closed until October 12 but can still be reached by phone or email.)

SUN., SEPTEMBER 27	8:30 am Radio Broadcast 9:30 am Outdoor Worship Service Rotation Faith Formation during worship	
TUES., SEPTEMBER 29	9:00 am Music & Motion 5:00 pm Music & Motion	
WED., SEPTEMBER 30	9:00 am Music & Motion 5:00 pm Kid's Keyboarding 7:00 pm Book Club (off site)	
THURS., OCTOBER 1	 9:00 am Music & Motion 5:00 pm Music & Motion 6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 	
SAT., OCTOBER 3	Grocery Ministry	
SUN., OCTOBER 4	8:30 am Radio Broadcast9:30 am Outdoor Worship Service9:30 am Rotation Faith Formation (K-6)	