

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 18, 2022 9:30 am Worship Services

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA

Rev. E. Robert Burkhart, Pastor (on Sabbatical until 10/17/2022)
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Announcements

† Confession and Forgiveness

P: Gracious God,

C: 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.

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Psalm: Psalm 113 (read responsively)

¹Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.

²Let the name of the LORD be blessed, from this time forth forevermore.

³From the rising of the sun to its going down let the name of the LORD be praised.

⁴The LORD is high a bove all nations; God's glory above the heavens.

⁵Who is like the LORD our God, who sits enthroned on high,

⁶but stoops to behold

the heavens and the earth?

⁷The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

⁸enthroning them with the rulers, with the rulers of the people.

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

* 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.

* **Song** *"Thy Word"* pg. 6

* Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

First Reading:

L: A reading from Amos 8:4-7

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." ⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading:

L: A reading from 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* Gospel:

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke 16:1-13

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager

because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. ¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel concludes:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon Pastor Brumback

* Song

"Son of God, Eternal Savior"

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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 Lord, in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

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

The Peace

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

Offering Anthem

"Trust and Obey" Heritage Choir

(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

* Offertory Prayer

L: Let us pray.

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.

* 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 and grape juice are also available.

Continuous Communion Distribution

Usher will release one row at a time. Please maintain 6ft. distance in the aisle. Wear your mask prior to and following communion. Upon approaching the altar, sanitize your hands. Take a wine cup, refrain from touching other cups. Receive the bread from the Pastor, holding out your open hand, palm up, fingers straight out. The Assistant Minister will pour wine into your cup. Place disposable communion cup in the waste container.

Communion Anthem "Every Day Is a Gift from the Lord" Besig/Price Adult and Youth Choirs

* 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.

C: We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.

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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH! If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions, please feel free to speak with the Pastor or any staff member.

Son of God, Eternal Savior



Text: Somerset C. Lowry, 1855-1932

Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932

September 18 September 25 **Assisting Minister:** Donna Lehman Frank Hueske Lav Reader Ginny Murray Janet Haack Offering Depositors: Peg Sennett Laura Silver Jon Shaw Nancy Smith Team 1 Team 1 Ushers: Linda Knapp Linda Knapp Altar: Sally Lovelace Sally Lovelace Sue Shue Sue Shue

SEPTEMBER DESIGNATED GIVING will benefit the Saturday morning Grocery Ministry. "Help beyond the dinner table" may be a great slogan for our Grocery Ministry based on feedback from our participants and volunteers alike. We've gotten to know our participants, and they in turn know St. Paul's. One of my favorite stories is the participant who came by for one last time - not to receive groceries, but to say thank you with a request. She had been receiving groceries during COVID while not working. Once back to work and on her feet, she came by and told us what the food meant to her family. "You were here every week, rain or shine, when we needed you. Always smiling and cheerful. Please use this monetary donation to say thank you to your volunteers". What a blessing! For her family and for us.

ONE VASE OF ALTAR FLOWERS is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Mr. & Mrs. John F. Hoke by Gary and family

ONE VASE OF ALTAR FLOWERS is sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of family loved ones by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Brandt.

THE COMMUNION BREAD AND WINE is sponsored to the glory of God and in honor of our 22nd wedding anniversary on September 19th by Russell and Michelle Johnson.

FAITH FORMATION for children 3 years through 6th grade is held on the 2nd floor of our Education wing during the 9:30 am worship service. The children return to the worship service in time to commune with their parents. **Please Join Us!!!**

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE: Please contact Maureen Kaltreider in the church office or at <u>finance@stpaulsyorkst.org</u>

Radio-Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$60 or any portion you desire)

Altar Flowers-Oct. 9, (2 vases) Oct. 23 (1 vase) (\$20)

Communion Bread & Wine-Sept. 25, Oct. 9, 23 & 30 (\$12)

Worship Bulletins-Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$20)

Eternal Flame-Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 23 & 30 (\$10)

YOUTH AND FAMILY will gather today 18 for our first meeting of the year! Come and help us plan for our years' theme "Fear Not". We'll meet in the Youth Room following worship (around 10:40) for fellowship, activities, etc. We'll END our gathering time with lunch. All youth in grades K-12 and their families are invited.

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY - A STUDY OF REVELATION: HOW DOES THIS BOOK SPEAK TO US TODAY?

Come and learn on Tuesday mornings through **October 11th at 10 AM** with Leroy Zellers leading the study. Bring your Bible and gather in the Science and Cooking Room on the second floor of the educational wing.

THE BELL CHOIR will have Thursday evening rehearsals at 5:45 pm downstairs in choir room beginning Sept. 15.

THE ADULT CHOIR will have Thursday evening rehearsals at 7:00 pm in fellowship hall.

THE NEXT SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE will be held on Saturday, September 24th at 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will be held on Sundays immediately following the 9:30 am worship service downstairs in our Youth Room.

THE YOUTH CHOIR will rehearse on Sundays immediately following the 9:30 am service in Fellowship Hall.

BACKPACKS - WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP TO PACK THE BACKPACKS on Monday, September 26th, from 9 am – 12 noon downstairs in the Youth room.

ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB - We will meet again on Wednesday, September 28, at 6:30 pm at the Activities building at North Point (beside the YMCA) where Carla Hausmann lives and she will serve as the hostess. The book for September is The Lost Symbol by Dan Brown. Please join us for good discussion and fellowship. See you there.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to register for our Sisters in Faith retreat! The retreat will be held at Mar-Lu-Ridge camp (near Frederick, MD) on Sept. 30 - Oct.

1. Cost varies depending on how many days you plan to attend. Join us as we learn to "Pray Always"! Contact Deb Sowers (debsowers @gmail.com) or the church office for more details.

THE MEN IN MISSION USED BOOK SALE CANCELLED - Hold onto your used books, puzzles, etc. for a little longer as the Used Book Sale is **NOT** being held this fall due to our renovations. Store them in a safe, dry place as it will return - we'll keep you posted! Our hopes are to continue it next year and maybe even have it in the spring.

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SUN., SEPT. 18	9:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service in Fellowship Hall Youth and Family meeting
MON., SEPT. 19	6:30 pm	Girl Scouts groups begin
TUES., SEPT. 20	10:00 am	Bible Study–Revelation–Leroy Zellers (Science and Cooking room-2 nd floor)
THUR. SEPT. 22	6:30 pm	Bell Choir rehearsal (Choir room) Cub and Boy Scouts Adult Choir rehearsal
FRI., SEPT. 23	3:30 pm	Grocery Ministry prep
SAT., SEPT. 24		Men in Mission breakfast – Perkins Grocery Ministry (Council) Saturday Evening Worship
SUN., SEPT. 25	9:30 am 10:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service in Fellowship Hall Confirmation Class Youth Choir rehearsal
All Worship Services will be held in Fellowship Hall until further notice		