

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 25, 2022

9:30 am Worship Services

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA

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

The Rev. Dr. H. Lee Brumback II, Interim Pastor (until 10/16/2022)

Rev. Jack R. Hoffman, Pastor Emeritus

Steven Ruppright, Director of Music Ministries

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Announcements

Blessing of the Backpacks and School Kits

† 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 146 (*read responsively*)

¹Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**

³Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish.**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help, whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;**

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The LORD sets the captive free.

⁸**The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD cares for the stranger; the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰**The LORD shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. 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

"Canticle of the Turning"

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* 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.

Bible Presentation/Blessing (Hailey Shearer)

First Reading:

L: A reading from **Amos 6:1a, 4-7**

^{1a}Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,

and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria,

⁴Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; ⁶who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

L: A reading from **1 Timothy 6:6-19**

⁶Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL:

L: The Holy Gospel according to **Luke 16:19-31**

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ ³¹He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

The Gospel concludes:

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Brumback

* **Song** “*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*” pg. 8

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

"Be a Neighbor"

Cokesbury

Children's 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. 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.

* 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.

* Stand if you are able

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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.

	<u>September 25</u>	<u>October 2</u>
Assisting Minister:	Frank Hueske	Ginny Murray
Lay Reader	Luke Rebert	Nancy Smith
Offering Depositors:	Laura Silver Nancy Smith	Sharon Bortner Amy Feeser
Ushers:	Team 1	Team 2
Altar:	Linda Knapp Sally Lovelace Sue Shue	Ginny Murray Donna Lehman

ONE VASE OF ALTAR FLOWERS is presented to the glory of God and in honor of Barb Miller's birthday from her husband, George.

ONE VASE OF ALTAR FLOWERS is presented to the glory of God and in loving memory of our daughter, Melanie's birthday on September 22nd and the anniversary of her passing on September 26th by Mom and Steve.

SEPTEMBER'S DESIGNATED GIVING benefits the Saturday morning Grocery Ministry.

OCTOBER'S DESIGNATED GIVING will benefit our sponsored sister church in Tanzania.

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

Radio—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—Oct. 9, 23 & 30 (\$12)

Worship Bulletins—Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$20)

Eternal Flame—Oct. 2, 9, 23 & 30 (\$10)

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!!!**

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

Canticle of the Turning



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
 2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
 3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
 4 Though the na - tions rage from . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

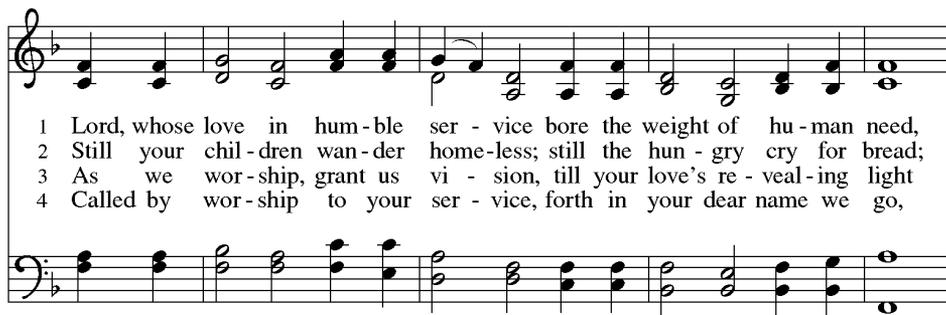


Refrain
 My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.

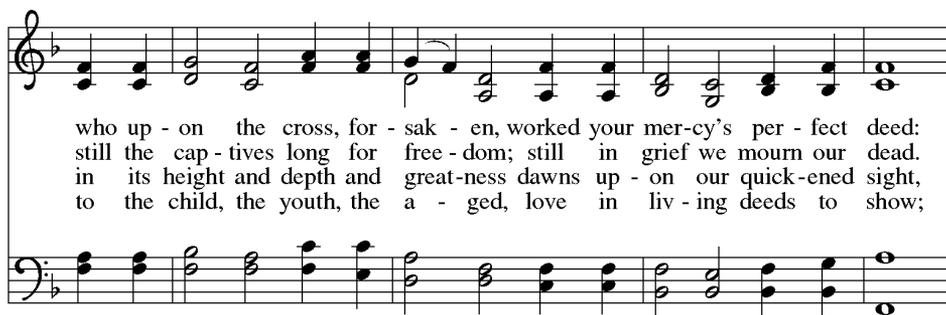


Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

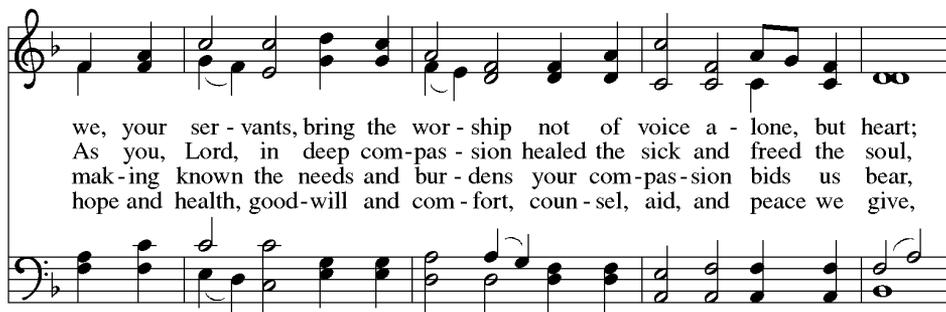
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun - gry cry for bread;
3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi - sion, till your love's re - veal-ing light
4 Called by wor-ship to your ser - vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed:
still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead.
in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight,
to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser - vants, bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but heart;
As you, Lord, in deep com-pas - sion healed the sick and freed the soul,
mak - ing known the needs and bur - dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear,
hope and health, good-will and com - fort, coun - sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part.
by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole.
stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share.
that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985

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

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KIT 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.

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.

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.

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

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

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 NEXT SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE will be held on Saturday, October 8th at 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.



HELP US COMBAT POVERTY!

St. Paul's is registered to have a team of walkers for the annual CROP Walk on Sunday, Oct. 16. We'll meet at St. Paul's (Dubs) at 12:30 to walk around Codorus. Last year Hanover participants "only" raised about \$8000 which is half of what was raised the year before. Won't you help us meet the St. Paul's goal of \$1500?

Twenty-five percent of what is raised in Hanover, stays in Hanover!

To donate or register to walk visit our page at

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/st-pauls-york-st>

OR by scanning the QR code to the left.

From our page, you can make a secure online donation to our team OR to individuals AND/OR register to walk with us. Youth and Families will be staying at Codorus afterward for games and fellowship, but ALL are welcome! Contact Deb Sowers (debsowers@gmail.com or 586-0596) with any questions, to sign up to walk (if not online), or make a donation!

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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GROWING OUR CULTURE OF GENEROSITY



Dear Friends at St. Paul's Lutheran Church:

We have emerged from the pandemic of the past two years. Many of us feared a scarcity world would take over, but that is not what happened. God has been abundantly present.

It is in times of difficulty that the world sees the importance of the church and our message of grace more clearly. God is up to something here at St. Paul's and it is exciting to be part of His work.

First, let us say thank you for the ways in which you stepped up to continue to worship, to care for one another, and to look for opportunities to share the Gospel when our community so clearly needed the Gospel during the pandemic.

You also demonstrated significant generosity to make certain that our St. Paul's ministries remained strong.

Now, let us encourage you that we believe what God has shown us through this crisis is our need to walk together, continue to innovate, and step up the ways in which we share God's love to a world that still so desperately needs to recognize God's presence.

We are looking forward. God is calling us to great new adventures and your generosity will help us accomplish so much.

As we enter into our stewardship drive this year, let's think about all the ways that we see generosity and abundance.

In Christ,
Nancy Smith and Pastor Lee

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GROWING OUR CULTURE OF GENEROSITY

RECOGNIZE YOUR NEED TO GIVE

It is a fundamental spiritual and psychological principle that life and its gifts are to be used and shared. Life cannot be hoarded or it turns in upon itself and you lose it. “Whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. (*Matthew 16:25*) We each have a deep inherent need to give. To give is to live!

But unfortunately, instead of focusing on our own need to give, all too often we center on the need of the church to receive. The church does seek our support but we must remember it is God’s Church and it will prosper and flourish in God’s own good time whether we give to it or not. The wonder of it all is what God invites us to be a part of--God’s church and to experience the joy and blessing of generously supporting and extending its mission.

Just as a coin, Christian giving has two sides. For too long, we centered mostly on the side entitled “The Need of the Church”. We need to begin concentrating on the side headed “My Need to Give” for giving is an integral part of spiritual life and growth.

SUN., SEPT. 25 8:30 am Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
9:30 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall
10:30 am Confirmation Class
10:30 am Youth Choir rehearsal

MON., SEPT. 26 9:00 am Backpack packing (youth room)
6:30 pm Girl Scouts groups begin

TUES., SEPT. 27 10:00 am Bible Study–Revelation–Leroy Zellers
(Science and Cooking room-2nd floor)

WED., SEPT. 28 6:30 St. Paul’s Book Club - offsite

THUR. SEPT. 29 5:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal (Choir room)
6:30 pm Cub and Boy Scouts
7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal

FRI., SEPT. 30 3:30 pm Grocery Ministry prep

SAT., OCT. 1 9:00 am Grocery Ministry (Youth and families)

SUN., OCT. 2 8:30 am Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
9:30 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall
10:30 am Confirmation Class
10:30 am Youth Choir rehearsal

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED OCT. 3 - 7

MON., OCT. 3 6:30 pm Girl Scouts groups begin

TUES., OCT. 4 10:00 am Bible Study–Revelation–Leroy Zellers
(Science and Cooking room-2nd floor)

WED., OCT. 5 7:00 pm **ALL COMMITTEE NIGHT**
If you are on a committee, check with your chairperson as to whether your committee is meeting and, if so, where and when they plan to meet.

THUR. OCT. 6 5:45 pm Bell Choir rehearsal (Choir room)
6:30 pm Cub and Boy Scouts
7:00 pm Adult Choir rehearsal

FRI., OCT. 7 3:30 pm Grocery Ministry prep

SAT., OCT. 8 9:00 am Grocery Ministry (Boy Scouts)

All Worship Services will be held in Fellowship Hall until further notice