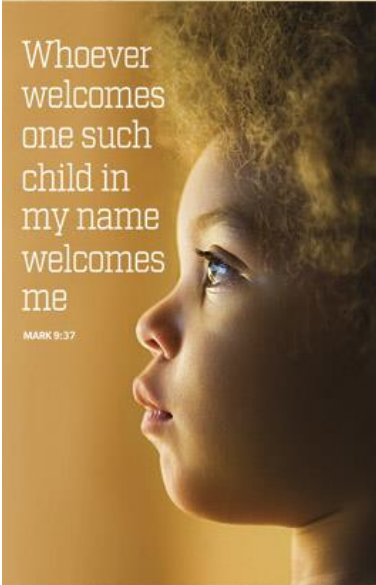


**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH  
127 YORK STREET, HANOVER, PA**



**18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY  
AFTER  
PENTECOST**

**September 22, 2024**

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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.

### **Our Purpose:**

*We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.*

### **Guiding Principles:**

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- Generously** stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- Serving** as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- Providing** for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- Growing in Faith** through worship, study, and discernment
- Praising** God through music, word, and service
- Welcoming** all people into fellowship with God

### **Important Worship Notes**

*All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.*

***Children's activity bags and children's bulletins are located on the podium in the hallway on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. Children's activity bags are also located on the coat rack behind the door of the choir loft side of the sanctuary.***

**P:** Pastor

**C:** Congregation

**L:** Lay Reader

**A:** Assisting Minister

***If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.***

# + 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST +

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## INTRODUCTION

*Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.*

## THE GATHERING

### WELCOME

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

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

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence for reflection*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

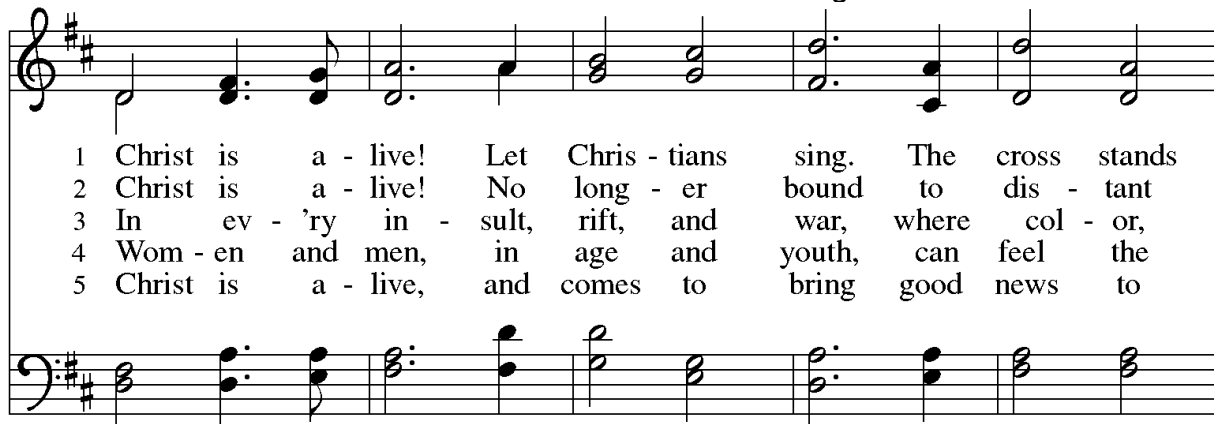
**Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.


**Amen.**

\*GATHERING HYMN "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

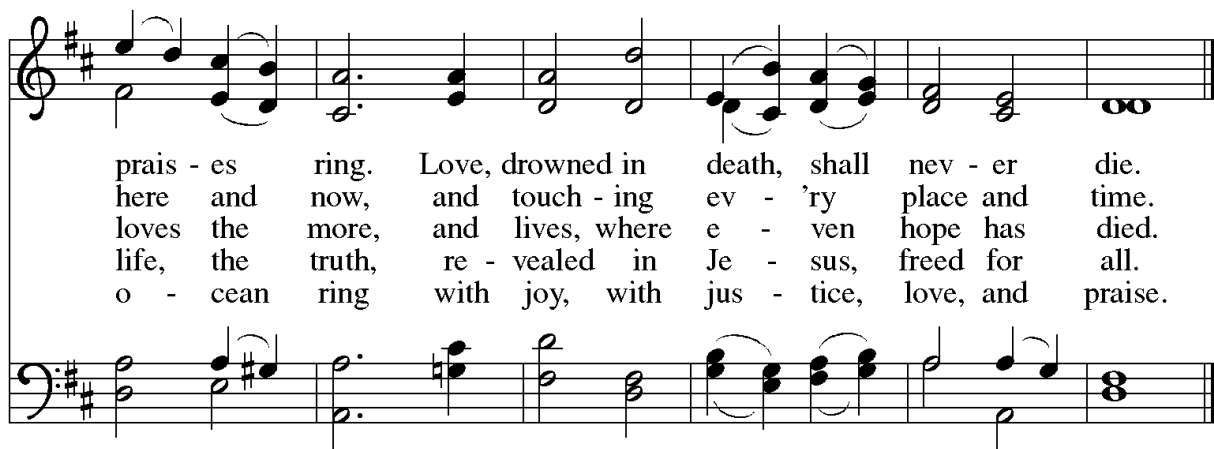
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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

## \*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.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

*verse*

We are called (we are called) We are claimed (we are claimed) We are loved (we are loved)  
We are here (we are here) To pro - claim (to pro - claim) God is here

(we are loved) by the ho - ly name (we are loved) We are whole (we are whole)  
(God is here) Calls us each by name We are here (we are here) To give praise

(we are whole) the Sav - ior ran - sored our souls — and we're singing  
(to give praise) The love of God will not change — and we're singing

*chorus*

Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a

Oh — Glo - ry Glo - ry Glo - ry Hal - le - lu - jah Glo - ry Glo - ri - a

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Jeremiah 11:18-20

*Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.*

L The First Reading according to Jeremiah 11:18-20

<sup>18</sup>It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. <sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" <sup>20</sup>But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

L The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALM

Psalm 54

read responsively

A <sup>1</sup>Save me, O God, by your name; in your might, defend my cause.

**C <sup>2</sup>Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**

<sup>3</sup>For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life, those who have no regard for God.

**<sup>4</sup>Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

<sup>5</sup>Render evil to those who spy on me; in your faithfulness, destroy them.

**<sup>6</sup>I will offer you a freewill sacrifice and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

<sup>7</sup>For you have rescued me from every trouble, and my eye looks down on my enemies.

A Holy wisdom, Holy word.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

*The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.*

L The Second Reading according to James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

<sup>1</sup>Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

<sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

<sup>8a</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

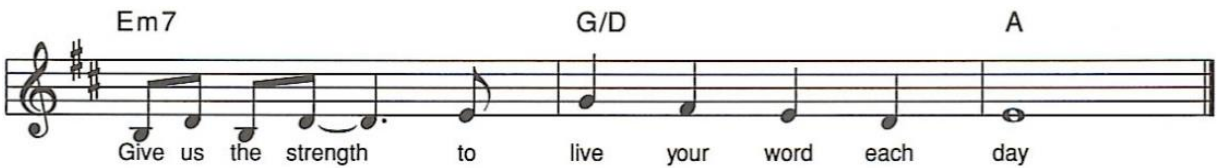
## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

D DM7

Help us O Lord to hear your word

D7 G

O - pen our hearts to feel your word



**\*GOSPEL**

Mark 9:30-37

*Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to Mark 9:30-37

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;<sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

**P** This is the Gospel of our Lord.

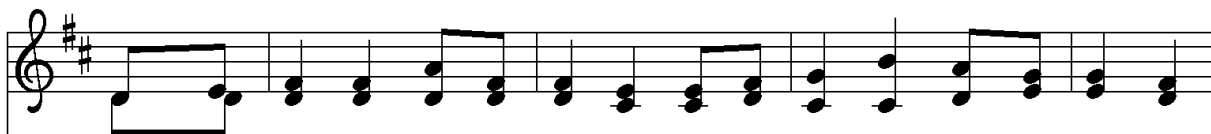
**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SERMON**







Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,  
 1 Chil - dren of the heav'n-ly Fa - ther safe - ly in his bo - som gath - er;  
 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho - ly courts they flour-ish.  
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er from the Lord his chil - dren sev - er;  
 4 Though he giv - eth or he tak-eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for - sak - eth;



stjär-nan ej på him-la - fäs - tet, få-geln ej i kän-da näs - tet.  
 nest-ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them.  
 un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth.  
 his the lov - ing pur - pose sole - ly to pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.



## \*APOSTLES' CREED

**A** Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C** **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**

A Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Loving God, you welcome all at your table of grace. Instill in your church a spirit of humility and curiosity, that we embrace all who seek you. We pray especially for ministries of hospitality and faith formation. Hear us, O God.

**C Your mercy is great.**

Creating God, you shape the world so there is more than enough for all. Curb our habits of overuse, and guide us toward more sustainable sources of energy, food, and water. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Gracious God, your peace brings justice and solidarity. Encourage peace among peoples, tribes, and nations; heal divisions in our country and local communities, that together we might cooperate for the good of all. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Faithful God, you draw near to you all who are in need. Bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer. Transform economic, political, and social systems that oppress vulnerable people, especially systems of structural racism and generational poverty. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Transforming God, you accompany all through changes and transitions. Help us to see where you are calling this community to new ways of living the gospel promise; assure us that even as change brings loss, it also brings hope and life. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

Merciful God, you embrace us on our final pilgrimage from this life. Accompany all who have died, console those who mourn, and at the last, show us the way to eternal life in you. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

P 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.*

## THE MEAL

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**      *"In Jesus the Victory's Won"*      Concordia Pub. House  
Children's Choir

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

*There are a number of ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates in front of the pews or to give online at <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give>. If you prefer not to give online, you may of course mail a check to St. Paul's. If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you are able to give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to.*

### \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray,

Blessed are you, O God,

C **source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives,  
help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our  
Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### \*DIALOGUE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### \*PREFACE

P 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



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

**P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C** **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we

are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### \*LORD'S PRAYER

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**C** **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** Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

*All are welcome to commune. If you wish to receive communion from your seat, please let an usher know. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.*

### \*AGNUS DEI



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.

# DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*"Jesus Loves Me!"*

ELW 595

1 Je - sus loves me! this I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so;  
2 Je - sus loves me! he who died heav - en's gates to o - pen wide;  
3 Je - sus loves me! he will stay close be - side me all the way;

The first system of music features a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef with the same key signature. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are numbered 1, 2, and 3, corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

lit - tle ones to him be - long, they are weak, but he is strong.  
he will wash a - way my sin, let his lit - tle child come in.  
when at last I come to die, he will take me home on high.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are centered under the notes.

*Refrain*

Yes, Je - sus loves me, yes, Je - sus loves me,

The Refrain section is marked with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are centered under the notes.



yes, Je - sus loves me, the Bi - ble tells me so.

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*"Lord of All Hopefulness"*

ELW 765



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,  
 2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,  
 3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,  
 4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:  
 whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
 your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace:  
 whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
 be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
 your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
 your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
 your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## \*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Holy God,  
you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

## THE SENDING

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*BLESSING

P God all mighty, God most merciful bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

*"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

ELW 815

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to  
2 I want to see . . . the bright-ness of God. I want to  
3 I'm look - ing for . . . the com - ing of Christ. I want to

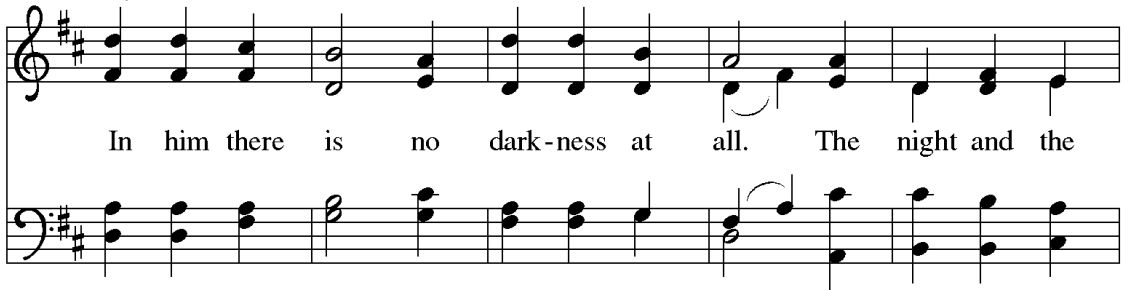
fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give  
look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ - teous - ness,  
be with Je - sus. When we have run . . . with



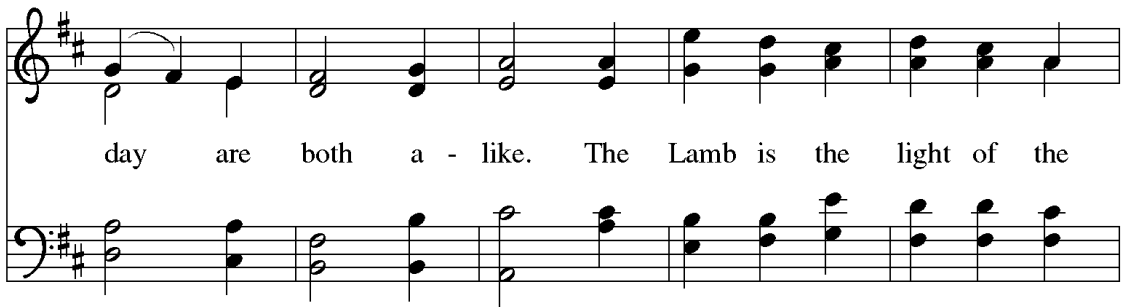


light to the world. The star of my life is Je - sus.  
 shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
 pa - tience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



In him there is no dark-ness at all. The night and the



day are both a - like. The Lamb is the light of the



cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

## \*DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

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

## POSTLUDE

\* Stand if you are able

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**THE ETERNAL FLAME** is sponsored to the glory of God and with thanks to our faithful acolytes, Jocelyn, Matthew and Leah by Leroy and Linda Zellers.

**OCTOBER EVANGEL ARTICLES** are due in the church office **no later than today, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**CHILDREN WILL BE DISMISSED AFTER COMMUNION** (approximately 10:30 am) during the announcement time. From 10:30 - 10:50 will be music time with Ms. Gretchen. From 10:50 - 11:30 will be Faith Formation time with rotating teachers. All children are welcome!

**DAILY DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE**, for anyone who is not attending the children's Faith Formation classes, will be held following the Worship Service. Grab some coffee and snacks in the lounge and join us **in the nursery, across from the lounge**, to dive a little deeper into the day's Bible readings. We should finish up by 11:30 am.

**SEPTEMBER SPECIAL DESIGNATED GIVING** will be in support of Synod's Annual Generosity Appeal for the building and expansion of the Mbeya Hospital in the Konde Diocese in Tanzania. The Synod hopes to raise \$60,000 to complete building the Lutheran Hospital in Mbeya. This is a rural area that serves many people. Without this local hospital, residents would be forced to travel many hours to the capital to receive basic health care and medical procedures. We can help care for our neighbors across the globe by supporting the Church's efforts to complete the building of a vital medical facility in our companion diocese in Tanzania.

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Radio—Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)  
Altar Flowers—Sept. 29, Oct. 6 & 27 (2 vases at \$20 each)  
Communion Bread and Wine— Oct. 13, 20 & 27 (\$12 each date)  
Worship Bulletins— Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$20 each date)  
Eternal Flame— Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$10 each date)

**SOMETHING'S BREWING BIBLE STUDY** - All are welcome to join us Monday evenings at 7 pm in the church lounge. We will be using "Honoring Our Neighbors Faith, A Lutheran Perspective on Faith Traditions in America" by Robert Buckley Farlee. Hundreds of Christian denominations and dozens of non-Christian traditions have followers in the United States. How do we view this wide variety of beliefs and practices? How does the Lutheran tradition compare with others? Join us!

**SEPTEMBER IS UPON US AND THAT MEANS THE MEN IN MISSION ANNUAL BOOK SALE** is one month away. It will be held on October 11 & 12. Bring your books, DVDs, and puzzles to the church and placing them in the fellowship hall on the stage. Please, no encyclopedias and reference books. If you need help in getting the books to church, please call Carmen or Bob Colehouse to make arrangements.

We also plan to have a breakfast on the morning of Oct. 12th. Further details and times will be announced later. This is our annual fundraiser to help support youth programs.

**THE ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB** will meet on **Wednesday, September 25, 2024** at 12:30 in the Church Lounge. We will be reading **The News of the World** by Paulette Jiles. Please come for good discussion and fellowship. Bring a lunch or snack with you.

**SISTERS IN FAITH** - Our fall retreat is scheduled for **Oct. 11 - 13** at Mar-Lu-Ridge. Find more information in the September Evangel or on the bulletin board. All women are welcome.

**SUN., SEPT. 22**

	8:30 am	October Evangel articles are due today
	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	10:30 am	Children’s Choir rehearsal – Children’s Music Room
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – Lounge
		Daily Discipleship Class – Nursery room – 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor
		Youth Choir rehearsal – Choir Loft in Sanctuary
	10:50 am	Faith Formation – K–Grade 6 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor

**MON., SEPT. 23**

6:30 pm	Girl Scout groups – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
7:00 pm	Somethings Brewing Bible Study - Lounge

**WED, SEPT. 25**

12:30 pm	St. Paul’s Book Club – Lounge
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**THUR., SEPT. 26**

6:00 pm	Bellchoir rehearsal – Balcony of the Sanctuary
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
6:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102-Youth Room & Gym
7:00 pm	Adult Choir rehearsal – Choir Loft in Sanctuary

**FRI., SEPT. 27**

3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep - Gym
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**SAT., SEPT. 28**

9:00 am	Grocery Ministry – volunteers needed
5:00 pm	Saturday Evening Service - Lounge
6:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall

**SUN., SEPT. 29**

		2024 Annual Report & Oct. Evangel deadline
	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
	9:30 am	Worship Service – 19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	10:30 am	Children’s Choir rehearsal – Children’s Music Room
Immediately following Worship		Coffee Hour – Lounge
		Daily Discipleship Class – Nursery room – 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor
	10:50 am	Youth and Family Kick-off