



**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES
Babbtown (Meta 8am)
Schubert (Jefferson City 10am)**

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 18, 2020

Order of Worship: Printed below
(with P for Pastor, C for Congregation)
or

found on page 15 in The Lutheran Hymnal TLH

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The Ringing Of The Bell

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn: TLH 30 "Oh, That I Had A Thousand Voices"

**Oh, that I had a thousand voices To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be, What great things God hath done for me.**

**O all ye pow'rs that He implanted, Arise, and silence keep no more;
Put forth the strength that He hath granted, Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, be ye meet With heartfelt praise your Lord to greet!**

**Ye forest leaves so green and tender, That dance for joy in summer air;
Ye meadow grasses, bright and slender; Ye flow'rs, so wondrous sweet and fair;
Ye live to show His praise alone, With me now make His glory known.**

**All creatures that have breath and motion, That throng the earth, the sea, and sky,
Now join me in my heart's devotion, Help me to raise His praises high.
My utmost pow'rs can ne'er aright Declare the wonders of His might.**

**Lord, I will tell, while I am living, Thy goodness forth with every breath
And greet each morning with thanksgiving Until my heart is still in death;
Yea, when at last my lips grow cold, Thy praise shall in my sighs be told.**

**O Father, deign Thou, I beseech Thee, To listen to my earthly lays;
A nobler strain in heaven shall reach Thee, When I with angels hymn Thy praise
And learn amid their choirs to sing Loud hallelujahs to my King. Amen.**

Invocation: p. 15 [*Responses Sung*]

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

Confession: *[Spoken]*

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution p. 16

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen.**

The Introit

Gloria Patri: p.16 *[Sung]*

C: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The Kyrie: p.17 *[Sung]*

C: **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

The Gloria in Excelsis: p. 17-19 *[Sung]*

C: **Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.**

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,

We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation And Response: p.19

P: The Lord be with you

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

The Prayer Of The Day: [Spoken by all]

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, have mercy on us that with You as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Response *[Sung]*: **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7

¹Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: ²“I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, ³I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. ⁴For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. ⁵I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. ⁷I form light and create darkness; I make well-being and create calamity; I am the LORD, who does all these things.

Epistle Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace. ²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

The Gradual

The “Triple Hallelujah”: *[Sung]*

C: **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: The Holy Gospel that is appointed to be read for today is from the gospel of St. Matthew Chapter 22.

C: *[Sung]* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶ And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?” ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ And Jesus said to them, “Whose likeness and inscription is this?” ²¹ They said, “Caesar's.” Then he said to them, “Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.” ²² When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

C: *[Sung]* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ!**

Apostles' Creed p. 12: *[Spoken by all]*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and
buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The
forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.**

Children's Song: “Praise Him, Praise Him”

Praise Him, praise Him, all you little children
God is love, God is love.
Praise Him, praise Him, all you little children.
God is love, God is love.

Love Him, love Him

Thank Him, thank Him

Serve Him, serve Him. . . .

Children's Message: "Give Thanks"

Sermon Hymn: TLH 346, "Jesus! And Shall It Ever Be"

**Jesus! and shall it ever be, A mortal man ashamed of Thee?
Ashamed of Thee, whom angels praise, Whose glories shine through endless days?**

**Ashamed of Jesus? Sooner far Let evening blush to own a star.
He sheds the beams of light divine O'er this benighted soul of mine.**

**Ashamed of Jesus? Just as soon Let midnight be ashamed of noon.
'Tis midnight with my soul till He, Bright morning Star, bids darkness flee.**

**Ashamed of Jesus, that dear Friend On whom my hopes of heav'n depend?
No; when I blush, be this my shame, That I no more revere His name.**

**Ashamed of Jesus? Yes, I may When I've no guilt to wash away,
No tear to wipe, no good to crave, No fear to quell, no soul to save.**

**Till then—nor is my boasting vain—Till then I boast a Savior slain;
And oh, may this my glory be, That Christ is not ashamed of Me! Amen.**

Sermon: "Put To The Test" Text: Matthew 22:15-22

(Usual time for The Offering – Offering plates are at the entrances or can be mailed or given online.)

Offertory p. 22 [Sung]

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.**

Prayers

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.**

Benediction:

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

Closing Hymn: TLH 36 “Now Thank We All Our God”

**Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices
Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices;
Who from our mother’s arms Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love And still is ours today.**

**Oh, may this bounteous God Thro’ all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!**

**All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heaven:
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav’n adore!
For thus it was, is now, And shall be evermore. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Announcements

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BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Schubert – Wade S., Bethany M., Brendan L. and Adam M.
NOTE: Please call or text Pastor with prayer requests and birthdays.

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Arline M.; Schubert – Keith B.
USHERS this Sunday: Jerry B. and Mike F.
USHERS next Sunday: Jerry B. and Kevin L.

Have A Blessed Week!

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REMEMBER to pick up your Portals Of Prayer and Lutheran Witness. Also get your October Newsletter available in print or online.

TODAY: Sunday School is in session and meeting social-distanced in the church basement.

Grades 1-8 will meet social distanced in the church basement.

Our Early Learning Sunday School class is family centered. We encourage parents to come with their children and learn alongside them. This class is appropriate for 2-5 year olds with age appropriate lessons for each level. You can expect hands on activities, music and movement, and outside time as weather permits! Class begins at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish House.

TODAY: November Newsletter items are due.

TODAY: Zion Lutheran School, turkey dinner, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Lone Elm, MO. Free will donation.

WEDNESDAY: Confirmation Class, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY: Mask-Only worship service, 6:00 p.m.

TODAY is the LAST DAY to order apples from Calvary. The sign-up sheet is by the guest register at the side entry.

OCTOBER 25: We are planning a special Christian Education/Reformation Sunday. Join us for food, fun, and family fellowship. (See flyer.)

REMEMBER: We are encouraging all who are in high risk groups, and that are hesitant, to remain at home and continue worshiping online. If attending live worship services, the wearing of masks is encouraged. Call if you wish to have private communion.

SHARE THE GOSPEL with all those around. Encourage each other in Christ.

WE ARE TRYING TO get all of our email and phone information updated. Please let us know if you are not getting the congregational emails. Be sure to check your "junk" mail if you are not getting it. Also contact Pastor to see what might be the issue. Thanks.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: Abortion and assisted suicide insist on a salvation by works. They believe only pretty, popular, powerful, productive persons deserve to survive. Almighty God doesn't delight in this kind of physical strength (Psalm 147:11). His grace and love give every life value, and so St. Luke's Gospel proclaims the Lord's joy and ours over blind, deaf, lame, mute (Isaiah 35:5-6), unborn (Luke 1:44), elderly (Luke 2:36-38), and even me and you!

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OFFERING PLATES are placed at entrances for worship; or offerings can be mailed::

Schubert: St. John's Lutheran Church
4409 St John's Road
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Babbtown: Dianna Schubert, Treasurer
24 Evergreen Lane
Meta, MO 65058

ONLINE OFFERINGS can now also be accepted online through a link posted on our website! Our new e-Giving service, Vanco, provides tools to make giving simple even when you're unable to attend church. Their e-Giving is safe and secure, and it allows you to continue your contributions. The link for our St. John's website Vanco page where you can create your own password and login. If you have any questions, contact Terry Walkenhorst.

NOTE: If you donate from a checking or savings account there are no charges. But, if you donate from a credit or debit card there will be charges from Vanco deducted from the donation amount.

Thanks be to God that we can continue to open the church doors for worship on Sundays!

Babbtown

8:00 a.m., Sunday Worship

Schubert

Saturday: 6:00 p.m., Mask-Only Worship

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

PLEASE let Pastor or Elders know your spiritual and physical needs so we may be of help to you.

PAY ATTENTION to your neighbor and help those in need. Show care and concern for others.

PRAY EARNESTLY for strength and protection that only God can provide. Seek His deliverance from all evil.

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Hymn #10: Text: 18:24; Author: Issac Watts, 1719; Tune: Nun Danket all'; Composer: Johann Crilger, 1653.

Hymn #413: Text: 1 Peter 5:8; Jeg gaar I Fare, hvor jeg gaar; Author: Hans A. Borson, 1734; Tr. Ditlef G. Ristad, 1909 alt; Tune: Der lieben Sonne Lect un Pracht, "Geisreuches Gesangbuch; Composer: Halle, 1704.

"Rejoice In The Lord Always" Philippians 3:1; Philippians 4, Revelatians 19:7; Author and Composer: Unknown.

"When Peace Like A River" Author: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873; Composer: Philip Bliss, 1876; First published in Gospel Songs 2 by Ira Sankey and Bliss, 1876.

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CALVARY NEWS



CALVARY INSIDER – What happened at Calvary last week?

- The Boys' Cross Country Team took 1st place in the Russellville Invitational.
- Volleyball honored 3 volleyball seniors Tuesday night at Senior Night!
- The senior class participated in a service project Tuesday to give back to the community.
- Calvary softball players competed in district play in South Callaway!
- FFA students hosted their annual hayride Friday evening.

LAST CALL FOR APPLES – What a delicious way to support student activities at Calvary and be ready for fall baking! The Calvary Booster Association is taking orders for apples from Rasa Orchards in Lexington, MO. Contact the school office at 573-638-0228 to place your order. Orders are due TOMORROW, October 19 and projected pick-up is October 31.

FALL DRAMA IS THIS WEEK – The cast and crew of “Orphan Train” is putting the finishing touches on their fall drama production THIS WEEK! Performances start on the evening of Thursday, Oct. 22 and run through the matinee on Saturday, Oct. 24. Due to the need to maintain physical distance, reserved seating is required. Call the school for available seats or reserve your seats online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D48A9AA2DA4F4C16-clhs1>

NEXT CALVARY BLOOD DRIVE – Mark your calendars for the next Calvary blood drive on Monday, October 26 from 1-7 p.m. in the Café at Calvary Lutheran High School. Make an appointment today to donate blood to help save a life!

FALL INTO SHOPPING AT CALVARY'S GIFT – As the seasons are changing, make sure to check out Calvary's Gift for your home goods, décor, clothing, and other shopping needs. Calvary's Gift offers gently used items that range from clothing to small furniture, and all proceeds go to support Calvary Lutheran High School. They change their inventory to match each current season, so you never know what treasures you'll find to have you ready for the change in weather. Business hours are Wednesday through Saturday, 9AM – 1PM. Donations are received on these days from 9:00AM – 12:30PM. Calvary's Gift is located at 722 Jefferson Street and the phone number is 573-659-8176. To volunteer a few hours, even outside the above times, call John Meisel at 821-8875 or sign up for a spot using the SignUp Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ca9ab28aafcc52-volunteer>

TUTORING AVAILABLE FROM CALVARY A+ STUDENTS – Calvary is providing afterschool tutoring to K-12 students and their families for those who would desire extra help. Student and tutor will be separated by physical barriers that will allow them to safely communicate. Masks can also be worn for an extra layer of protection. Interested families can select a time at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044CADAD22A3FB6-calvary> Additional questions can be directed to Erich Ahlers at 638-0228 or principal@calvarylhs.org.

FUTURE LION SHADOW DAYS – We invite 8th grade students to experience “being a lion” for a day by scheduling a Shadow Day. Late fall or early spring are great times to schedule these to coordinate fall breaks or other middle school scheduled days off. Please contact John Christman at 573-638-0228 or administrator@calvarylhs.org to schedule your student's Calvary experience.

St. John's Family and Friends

St. John's Sunday School invites you and your family to kick-off the fall season with a fun-filled event everyone can enjoy! As we slowly return to our congregational activities, it's a great time to focus on both the **Reformation** and our commitment to **Christian Education**.

That's why we've planned something special...



On **October 25**, following the worship service, we'll be hosting "walk-through" areas around the church for families to rotate through and participate in together. Many activities will be planned for outside – weather permitting.

While no formal lunch will be served, you'll find some tasty treats and plenty of things to enjoy!

- Food Stations – snacks, cider, apples, etc.
- Pumpkin Painting
- Coloring
- Special **Martin Luther** themed activities

...And more!

Reformation

AND

Christian Education

Sunday

October 25

Special activities will begin following the worship service.



Join us for food,
fun and family
fellowship!

***PLEASE NOTE:** As we continue to take precautions during the pandemic, Pastor and the Board of Elders encourage those who are in a high risk category to take extra caution when considering any congregational activity, and also ask those who have symptoms of illness to self-isolate for the good of your neighbor.