



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

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2020

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

or
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The Ringing Of The Bell

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn: TLH 279 "Today Thy Mercy Calls Us"

Today Thy mercy calls us To wash away our sin.
 However great our trespass, Whatever we have been,
 However long from mercy Our hearts have turned away,
 Thy precious blood can cleanse us And make us white today.

Today Thy gate is open, And all who enter in
 Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin.
 The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n,
 A future grace be promised, A glorious crown in heav'n.

Today our Father calls us, His Holy Spirit waits;
 His blessed angels gather Around the heav'nly gates.
 No question will be asked us How often we have come;
 Although we oft have wandered, It is our Father's home.

O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door,
 What should we do without Thee When heart and eye run o'er?
 When all things seem against us, To drive us to despair,
 We know one gate is open, One ear will hear our prayer. 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]

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; 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 57:1, 6-8

¹Thus says the LORD: “Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed. ⁶“And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant— ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.” ⁸The Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, “I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered.”

Epistle Reading: Romans 11: 1-2, 13-15, 28-32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? ¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? ²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

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 15.

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

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21-28

²¹ And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” ²³ But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.”

²⁴ He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶ And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷ She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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 Hymn: "We Are In God's House Today"

**We are in God's house today; He is glad to hear us pray.
Let us listen, let us sing, Gladly make His praises ring. (Sing x2)**

Children's Message: "Prayer"

Sermon Hymn: TLH 418 "My God, My Father, While I Stray"

**My God, my Father, while I stray Far from my home on life's rough way,
Oh, teach me from my heart to say, "Thy will be done."**

**Tho' dark my path and sad my lot, Let me be still and murmur not
Or breathe the prayer divinely taught, "Thy will be done."**

**What tho' in lonely grief I sigh For friends beloved, no longer nigh,
Submissive still would I reply – "Thy will be done."**

**Tho' Thou hast called me to resign What most I prized, it ne'er was mine;
I have but yielded what was Thine – "Thy will be done."**

**Should grief or sickness waste away My life in premature decay,
My Father, still I strive to say, "Thy will be done."**

**Let but my fainting heart be blest With Thy sweet Spirit for its Guest;
My God, to Thee I leave the rest – "Thy will be done."**

**Renew my will from day to day; Blend it with Thine and take away
All that now makes it hard to say, "Thy will be done."**

**Then, when on earth I breathe no more, The prayer, oft mixed with tears before,
I'll sing upon a happier shore, "Thy will be done." Amen.**

Sermon: Great Faith Demands Little—Believes Much” Matthew 15:21-28

(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 396 “Oh, For A Faith That Will Not Shrink”

**Oh, for a faith that will not shrink Tho’ pressed by many a foe;
That will not tremble on the brink Of poverty or woe;**

**That will not murmur no complain Beneath the chast’ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain Can lean upon its God;**

**A faith that shines more bright and clear When tempests rage without;
That, when in danger, knows no fear, In darkness feels no doubt;**

**That bears unmoved the worlds dread frown Nor heeds its scornful smile;
That sin’s wild ocean cannot drown, Nor Satan’s arts beguile;**

**A faith that keeps the narrow way Till life’s last spark is led
And with a pure and heavenly ray Lights up the dying bed.**

**Lord, give us such a faith as this; And then, whate’er may come,
We’ll taste e’en now the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.**

Silent Prayer

Announcements

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Schubert – Isabella L., Dorice C., Trent L., Sharen G., and Elliott G.

NOTE: Please call or text Pastor with prayer requests and birthdays.

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Arline M.; Schubert – Samuel L.
USHERS this Sunday: Gene W., Mike F., Dave M., and Dale L.
USHERS next Sunday: Gene W., Kevin L., Berry W., and Sherri R.

Have A Blessed Week!

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THE LADIES AID has not been able to meet for several months and are behind in Mite Box contributions. If you have Mite Box contributions you would like to make, give them to Linda Brenner, so we can send them to the Zone and District LWML. Thanks.

WEDNESDAY: The Lord willing, we will have live and live stream Bible Study this week, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: September Newsletter items are due.

REMEMBER: We are encouraging all who are in high risk groups, and that are hesitant, to remain at home and continue worshipping 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: Jesus didn’t really see the Canaanite woman as less than human (Matthew 15:21-28). He compared her to a dog but also called all the Israelites sheep. Many Jews did treat Gentiles like animals, though. No doubt they took close note when He included her and her little girl among the children of God. It’s like someone today saying fetuses count as human beings or elderly lives matter as much as the rest of us.

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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.

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

8:00 a.m. Babbtown - Sanctuary 10:00 a.m. Schubert - Sanctuary
No Sunday School or Bible Study

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.

CALVARY NEWS

CALVARY INSIDER –

- Our faculty is back on-campus and sprucing up their classrooms! Our Back-to-School Night was held this week. Students were able to pick up schedules and move into their lockers. Everyone is excited for the new year!
- Fall sports practices for cross country, baseball, softball, and volleyball began this week. Be watching for upcoming dates to come out and cheer on your Lions!
- A big thank-you to all who help mow and keep the Calvary grounds looking nice! There are more opportunities for general mowing and baseball mowing now that we are in baseball season. Contact John Christman at Calvary!
- Calvary's Gift is actively seeking volunteers for certain evening during the week and for Saturdays! Contact John Meisel at Calvary's Gift.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AT CALVARY – Wednesday, August 19 will be the first day of classes! Please keep Calvary families, students, and staff in your prayers for a successful and safe year!

CHECK OUT THE CALVARY WISH LIST! – A practical and simple way you can make an impact on our school by helping us prepare for the upcoming academic year is by donating items on our "WISH LIST!" Check it out at calvarylhs.org/support

NEVER TOO EARLY TO PLAN FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Missouri allows private K-12 tuition to be paid from a 529 fund. This is a great opportunity for families (or friends of a family) to contribute specifically to a student's education through state-tax deductible contributions. Qualified withdrawals for tuition expenses can happen now or well into the future. Call John Christman 573-638-0228 or your financial advisor to learn more.

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Hymn #418: Text: Matthew 26:42; Author: Charlotte Elliott, 1834-1839; Tune: "Es ist kein Tag"; Composer: Johann D. Meyer, 1692.

Hymn #396: Text: Luke 17:5; Author: William H. Bathurst, 1831, alt.; Tune: "St. Peter"; Composer: Alexander R. Reinagle, 1836.

A Child's Garden of Song: St. Louis: Concordia, 1949.

"We Are In God's House Today": Author: Theodore George Wilhelm Stelzer, Professor at Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska.

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