



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

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The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 1, 2024

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 #408 "Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory"

**Jesus Christ, my pride and glory, He, the true and living Light,
Strengthens me with glorious might. Christ, revealed in sacred story,
Whom I now as Lord confess, Teaches me true holiness.**

**Let me live to praise Thee ever, Jesus, thou my heart's Delight,
Thou who leadest me aright. Let me cling to Thee forever,
All the fleshly lusts deny And the devil's hosts defy.**

**Grant me, Lord, Thy Holy Spirit That in all I follow Him
Lest the light of faith grow dim. Let me ever trust Thy merit,
Let Thy blessing me attend, From all evil me defend.**

**From all pain and imperfection, Gracious Lord, deliver me,
Heaven's glory let me see. Keep me under Thy direction
That the grace thou gavest me I may praise eternally. Amen.**

Invocation: p. 15 [*Responses Sung*]

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

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 by all]*

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 Spirit.

C: *[Sung]* Amen.

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 source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; 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: Deuteronomy 4:1-2; 6-9

¹“Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the just decrees that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you. . . .

⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’ ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and just decrees so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

⁹“Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children’s children.”

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Gradual

The Sentence of the Season

The “Triple Hallelujah”: *[Sung]*

C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: The Holy Gospel appointed to be read for today is from the Gospel of St. Mark, chapter 7, beginning with verse 14.

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

The Gospel Reading: Mark 7:14-23

¹⁴[Jesus] called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

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

The Nicene Creed p. 22

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Hymn: TLH #239 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing, Help us to praise.
Father all-glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend.
Come and Thy people bless And give Thy Word success,
Stablish Thy righteousness, Savior and Friend!

Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour.
Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in ev'ry heart
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of Pow'r!

To the great One in Three Eternal praises be Hence ever-more!
His sov'reign majesty May we in glory see
And to eternity Love and adore! Amen.

Sermon Text: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

(The Offerings are brought forward. Offering plates are at the entrances.)

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 ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

[We invite those who are communicant members of sister Lutheran Congregations, in the fellowship of LC-MS, and are repentant, to commune with us.]

The Preface: p. 24 [Responses Sung]

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right and salutary that we should at all time and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God:

Who with Thine only begotten Son and the Holy Ghost art one God, one Lord. And in the confession of the only true God we worship the Trinity in Person and the Unity in Substance, of Majesty coequal.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and singing:

The Sanctus: p. 26 *[Sung]*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He,
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest.**

The Lord's Prayer: p. 27

**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;**

[Sung] **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Institution: p. 27

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The Pax Domini: p. 27

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

C: *[Sung]* **A - - - - men.**

The Agnus Dei: p. 28 *[Sung]*

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace.
A - - - - men.**

The Distribution

Distribution Hymns: TLH #351 "Love Divine, All Love Excelling"

Love Divine, all love excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter ev'ry trembling heart!

Breathe, oh, breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit, Let us find Thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return and never, Nevermore, Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee,
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise. Amen.

TLH #430 "What Is The World To Me"

What is the world to me With all its vaunted pleasure
When Thou, and Thou alone, Lord Jesus, art my Treasure!
Thou only, dearest Lord, My soul's Delight shalt be;
Thou art my Peace, my Rest--What is the world to me!

The world is like a cloud And like a vapor fleeting,
A shadow that declines, Swift to its end retreating.
My Jesus doth abide, Tho' all things fade and flee;
My everlasting Rock--What is the world to me!

The world seeks to be praised And honored by the mighty,
Yet never once reflects That they are frail and flighty.
But what I truly prize Above all things is He,
My Jesus, He alone--What is the world to me!

The world seeks after wealth And all that Mammon offers,
Yet never is content Tho' gold should fill its coffers.
I have a higher good, Content with it I'll be:
My Jesus is my Wealth--What is the world to me!

The world is sorely grieved Whenever it is slighted
Or when its hollow fame And honor have been blighted.
Christ, Thy reproach I bear Long as it pleaseth Thee;
I'm honored by my Lord--What is the world to me!

The world with wanton pride Exalts its sinful pleasures
And for them foolishly Gives up the heavenly treasures.
Let others love the world With all its vanity;
I love the Lord, my God--What is the world to me!

The world abideth not; Lo, like a flash 'twill vanish;
With all its gorgeous pomp Pale death it cannot banish;
Its riches pass away, And all its joys must flee;
But Jesus doth abide--What is the world to me!

What is the world to me! My Jesus is my Treasure,
My Life, my Health, my Wealth, My Friend, my Love, my Pleasure,
My Joy, my Crown, my All, My Bliss eternally.
Once more, then, I declare: What is the world to me! Amen.

The Nunc Dimittus: p. 29 *[Sung]*

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation:
which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.
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 Thanksgiving: p. 30

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: *[Sung]* **And His mercy endureth forever.**

The Thanksgiving Prayer: pp, 30-31

P: We give thanks to You, Almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift; and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith towards You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

C: *[Sung]* **A- - - - men.**

The Benedicamus: p. 31

P: The Lord be with you.

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

P: Bless we the Lord

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

The Benediction: p. 31

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face to 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 #545 “The Morning Sun is Brightly Beaming”

**The morning sun is brightly beaming, And darkness deep has passed away;
All earth with life and joy is teeming In beauty of a newborn day.
O gracious Father, purest Light, Thou bringest day, dispellest night.**

**Grant unto me in tender mercies Thy Holy Spirit’s saving light;
The entrance of Thy Word disperses From out my mind its sinful night.
My poor and erring heart instill With love to do Thy gracious will.**

**Dear Jesus, send Thy mercies o’er me Like morning dews to cleanse my soul.
Oh, may Thy holy blood restore me, Wash out my sin, and make me whole!
Let me be strengthened by Thy might To walk in Thy eternal light. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Announcements

Have A Blessed Week!

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BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Schubert – Delma Goser, Jan Morris, Steven Brenner & Ashley Thoenen.

PASTOR: Rev. Bart Mueller. GUEST PASTOR: Rev. David Hoehler.

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Samuel Luetkemeyer; Schubert – Keith Bohl.

USHERS this Sunday: Kurt Boeckmann and Andy Beach.

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COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Allan Forbis and Russ Mueller.

ACOLYTE this Sunday: Matt Kollmeyer.

ACOLYTE next Sunday: Landon Marion.

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A WARM WELCOME to each of you in the Name of Jesus. We are glad to have you worshipping with us this morning.

We pray that the Holy Spirit will strengthen and refresh you in your Christian walk of faith, as we feed together on God's Word and Sacrament.

If you are a guest we greet you with special joy. Please be sure to introduce yourself, sign the guest register, and come back soon.

A SPECIAL WELCOME and thank you to Pastor David Hoehler for filling in this week while Pastor Mueller is in El Paso, TX, for his granddaughter's baptism. We are grateful to Pastor Hoehler for leading our worship once again.

ANY NEWS, INFORMATION, REQUESTS or communications for the churches can be made by leaving a message on the church phone – 573-395-4591. Generally all messages are checked daily. You can also email the church at stjohslutheranjcmo@gmail.com – and if you have any questions or concerns, we will respond as needed. If you need pastoral assistance right away, you can call Pastor Mueller at 507-360-8033.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

- Lin Bauer, who is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Sharen Green, who is in the hospital with heart issues.
- Carolyn Nagel, recovering from a heart procedure.
- Dennis and Carolyn Schubert, who have knee and shoulder surgery scheduled.
- Gary Rademan, who has a small tumor on the back of his brain.

If you have any prayer requests/bulletin announcements, please email them to stjohslutheranjcmo@gmail.com, or send them to Samuel Luetkemeyer.

TODAY: Pick up your September newsletter.

SATURDAY: Trinity Men's Club BBQ. Serving begins 10:00 a.m. at Schulte's Parking Lot on Southwest Blvd. Pork Steak or Bratwurst Dinners: \$14. Pork Steak Sandwich: \$6. Bratwurst on a bun: \$5.

Proceeds will be donated to the Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Program and Calvary Lutheran High School.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - UPDATE: The **September Men's Bible Study** has been moved to **next MONDAY, September 9, at 6:00 p.m.** This is a change from what is printed in this month's newsletter. Thank you to everyone who got in contact with Pastor Mueller about changing the time.

CONFIRMATION CLASS and Wednesday Bible School begins on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00 p.m.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: The Lord Jesus insists that visible qualities like age, appearance, and ability do not subtract value from life or impart worth to it (Mark 7:18-23). Rather, invisible sinfulness disqualifies us all from both bodily rights and spiritual privileges. But invisible forgiveness—and God's grace in creating, redeeming, and calling —delivers sanctity to every member of our race. May this truth proceed forth from our hearts and out of our lips!

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: Babbtown, 17. Schubert, 92.

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**Thanks be to God that we have the opportunity to gather in worship each week.
Make worship and Bible Study and the Lord's Supper a high priority in your life.**

Babbtown

Schubert

**8:00 a.m. Worship Service
9:10 a.m. Sunday School
and Adult Bible Study**

**9:15 am. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

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Hymn # 408: Scripture: Luke 2:41-52; Jesus selbst, mein Licht, mein Leben; Jesus Christ, My Pride and Glory; Author: Johann Olearius (1671, cento); Translator: Paul E. Kretzmann (1939); Tune: Ach, was soll ich Sünder machen; Source: "Hirtenlieder", Altdorf, 1653.

Hymn #239: Text: Revelation 4:8; Author Unknown, c. 1858. ab.; Italian Hymn; Composer: Felice de Giardini, 1769.

Hymn #351: Scripture: Psalm 106:4; Love Divine, All Love Excelling; Author: Charles Wesley (1747); Tune: O du Liebe; Source: "Musikalischer Christenschatz," Basel, 1745.

Hymn #430: Scripture: 1 John 2:15-17; Was frag' ich nach der Welt; What Is The World To Me?; Author: George M. Pfefferkorn (1667); Translator: August Crull (died 1923); Tune: Was frag' ich nach der Welt; Composer: Ahasverus Fritsch (1679).

Hymn # 545: Scripture: 1 John 1:7; Aurinko armas vallolansa; The Morning Sun is Brightly Beaming; Author: Unknown (1836); Translator: Gustaf A. Aho (1938); Tune: O dass ich tausend; Composer: Kornelius H. Dretzel (1731).

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CALVARY NEWS



CALVARY INSIDER – How did the school year start out?

- Pastor Steensma led Wednesday chapel and shared a message on Isaiah 43:1-3.
- Student Government prepared and distributed Mum Certificates to the Calvary students this week. Did you know that each class raises money for their class gift throughout their time at Calvary through Mum Certificates sales? Read below to find out more!

CALVARY HOME OPENERS THIS WEEK!

Show up! Be Loud! #FeeltheRoar

Sept 3	Soccer v Green Ridge	4:30PM
Sept 5	Baseball v Sturgeon	4:30PM
Sept 5	JV/V Volleyball v Dixon	5PM

Check out our website (calvarylhs.org) for all events!

CLHS HOME COMPETITIONS – We are excited to have you cheer on our Lions during the school year at our home competitions! The following is a listing of prices for our gate:

Adults - \$5, Students - \$3, Senior Citizens - Free, Calvary Students & Staff - Free.

The monies received from the gate offset compensation for MSHSAA officials.

FALL MUM CERTIFICATES ARE HERE! – Certificates for mums can be purchased at the school office (573-638- 0228), or from a Calvary student. Certificates can be redeemed at Trinklein’s Greenhouse now through September 30. The cost is \$12 each for a 9” Mum pot. Trinklein’s is open Mon - Sat, 10 am - 4 pm, and they are located at 7518 Tanner Bridge Road, Jefferson City, MO. Funds raised will be used by Calvary students for their senior class gift toward school improvement.

SPEND A SATURDAY @ CALVARY’S GIFT – Saturdays are very busy at our “upscale retail store” and we need volunteers – especially in receiving and at the check-out counter. Ready to help out? Call the shop during business hours at (573) 659-8176 or apply to volunteer visiting the Calvary Linktree: linktr.ee/calvarylhs. We would love to have you help for part of the day or a dedicated “once a month” Saturday. Thank you for supporting & volunteering at “the Gift!”