



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

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 13, 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 39 "Praise To The Lord, The Almighty"

**Praise to the Lord; the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Salvation!
Join the full throng; Wake, harp and psalter and song;
Sound forth in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been Granted in what He ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who hath fearfully, wondrously, made thee;
Health hath vouchsafed and, when heedlessly falling, hath stayed thee.
What need or grief Ever hath failed of relief? Wings of His mercy did shade thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,
Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen Sound from His people again; Gladly for aye we adore Him.**

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, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Response *[Sung]*: Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

¹⁵ When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." ¹⁶ So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died: ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you.'" And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? ²⁰ As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. ²¹ So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Epistle Reading: Romans 14:1-12

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ²One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. ⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹²So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

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 18.

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

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:21-35

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?” ²² Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. ²³ “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, ‘Pay what you owe.’ ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ ³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. ³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ ³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. ³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P: Here ends the reading of the Holy Gospel.

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

Nicene Creed p. 22: *[Spoken by all]*

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.

Children's Hymn: "O, How I Love Jesus"

**There is a name I love to hear; I love to sing its worth.
It sounds like music in mine ear, The sweetest name on earth.**

**REFRAIN: O, how I love Jesus! O, how I love Jesus!
O, how I love Jesus, because He first love me!**

**It tells me of a Savior's love, Who died to set me free.
It tells me of His precious blood, The sinner's perfect plea. REFRAIN**

Children's Message: "Showing Your Love For Jesus"

Sermon Hymn: TLH 324 "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

**Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder
Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve—Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**We deserve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace and life proclaim. Here their ills have perfect healing
Who with humble hearts believe—Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh;
Weary souls that lost their way Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh
In His arms that they may live—Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**Come, ye sinners, one and all, Come, accept His invitation;
Come, obey His gracious call, Come and take His free salvation!
Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession;
Savior, mercy show to me Grant for all my sins remission.
Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter Passion;
For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**Now my conscience is at peace, From the Law I stand acquitted;
Christ hath purchased my release And my every sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve—Jesus sinners doth receive.**

**Jesus sinners doth receive. Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth much leave, I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave—Jesus sinners doth receive.**

Sermon: When The Shoe Is On The Other Foot" Text: Matthew 18:21-35

(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 50 “Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”

**Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing, Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, Oh, refresh us, Trav’ling thro’ this wilderness!**

**Thanks we give and adoration For Thy Gospel’s joyful sound.
May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives bound;
Ever faithful, Ever faithful To the Truth may we be found!**

**So whene’er the signal’s given Us from earth to call away,
Borne on angels’ wings to heaven, Glad the summons to obey,
May we ever, May we ever, Reign with Christ in endless day!**

Silent Prayer

Announcements

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BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Babbtown – Joyce J.; Schubert – Jeanette W., Wilma K., Josh K., Matt K., and Peyton B.

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

ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Arline M.; Schubert – Keith B.

USHERS this Sunday: Kurt B. and George K. USHERS next Sunday: Kurt B. and Mike F.

Have A Blessed Week!

WE REJOICE with Ryan and Sarah B., Peyton, Carson and Camden, on the birth of their daughter/sister, Laken, August 8. We pray God's special blessing on their family.

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

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED: Our next mask-only, Saturday evening worship service.

CONFIRMATION CLASS is scheduled to begin Wednesday, September 23; 6-7:30 p.m. We will meet in the church basement.

NEXT SUNDAY: October 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 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: Today the good Lord has a good Word for those of us who have participated in abortion. He forgives that. He forgives you. "[A]s far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us" (Psalm 103:12). What's more, He redeems every sinner. He redeems all our failures. "[Y]ou meant evil ... but God meant it for good" (Genesis 50:20). Who could you counsel or comfort with what you've learned from this mistake (Romans 14:7)?

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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 – What is happening at Calvary?

- Due to positive cases of COVID-19, Calvary temporarily switched to a virtual learning model this past week. We are blessed by teachers who communicated well and made the transition as smooth as possible. Good academic progress continued for all students. Thank you for prayers for all affected. We look forward to returning to in-person learning soon – maybe as soon as this week!

FALL IS TIME FOR MUMS! – Calvary students are selling \$10 certificates for beautiful 9” potted mums. The certificates can be picked up from the office and redeemed at Trinklein’s Greenhouse. You can also get your mums directly from Trinklein’s (no certificate needed) located at 7518 Tanner Bridge Rd. Call Diane Trinklein with questions, 573-619-3079. Mums can be picked up through Sept. 26. Limited to quantity on hand – while supplies last!

AND APPLES... Stay tuned for ordering information for those delicious Missouri apples!

SUPPORT CALVARY STUDENTS BY VOLUNTEERING AT CALVARY’S GIFT – Calvary’s Gift, a unique upscale thrift store located at 722 Jefferson Street, benefits EVERY Calvary student in the form of “bridging the gap” of the cost of education and the price of tuition. Calvary’s Gift is 100% volunteer run and help is needed! To volunteer a few hours, sign up on the SignUp Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4ca9ab28aafcc52-volunteer> Contact John Meisel at 573-821-8875 with any questions. Don’t forget to shop and drop off donations during regular business hours - Wed – Sat, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

POSITION AVAILABLE – Calvary is immediately seeking a mission-minded, enthusiastic individual with a passion for promoting Calvary to the greater Mid-Missouri region. This is a part-time administrative assistant position, 15-hrs per week (3 hrs/day, M-F) with an emphasis on school communications & public relations: newsletters, social media & slide shows. Resumes are to be submitted to Calvary, 2525 Rte B, Jefferson City, MO 65101.

UPCOMING CALVARY DATES –

October 22-24 Calvary Fall Drama Production

Early November Crimson & Silver Virtual Auction

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Hymn #39: Text: Nehemiah 9:6; Lobe den Herren, den machtigen; Author: Joachim Neander, 1670; Tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863, alt; Lobe den Herren, den Tune: “Erneuertes Gesangbuch.”; Composer: Stralsund, 1665..

Hymn #324: Text: Luke 15:2; Jesus nimmt die Sunder an; Author: Erdmann Neumeister, 1718; Tr. Composite; Meunen Jesum lass’ ich nicht; Tune: “Neuerfertigtes Gesangbuch”; Composer: Darmstadt, 1699.

Hymn #50: Text Numbers 6:24-26; Author: John Fawcett, 1773; Tune: Regent Square; Composer: Henry Smart, 1867.

“O, How I Love Jesus” Text: Matthew 1:21; Author: Frederick Whitfield, 1855; Refrain Author: Anonymous; Tune: 19th Century USA Melody.

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