

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



*The Twenty Second Sunday after
Trinity*

7/8/9 November 2020

Walking humbly with our God and forgiving one another: With what shall we come before the Lord (Micah 6:6) who forgives all our sins, and how often shall our fellow Christians sin against us and we forgive them (Matt. 18:21)? Our gracious God on high does not need our *“burnt offerings”* or *“thousands of rams”* (Micah 6:6-7), which we could legitimately offer in thanksgiving. He is the Savior who gave His only-begotten Son for our transgression. He offers the fruit of His body, once hanging dead on a cross but now living and giving life in His holy Meal, for the sin of our souls (Micah 6:7). Because He releases us from our enormous debt of sin against Him, we need not imprison our fellow sinners with our lack of love and refusal of forgiveness (Matt. 18:24, 27, 30). As partakers of His grace, we yearn for one another *“with the affection of Christ Jesus”* (Phil. 1:8). As forgiven sinners, *“filled with the fruit of Christ’s righteousness,”* our *“love may abound more and more, with knowledge and discernment”* (Phil. 1:11, 9), for He leads us *“to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with [our] God”* (Micah 6:8).

The Divine Service

- 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.
P 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 You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

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

Service of the Word

Introit - sung responsively *Ps. 130:1–2, 7–8; antiphon: Ps. 130:3–4*



If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with you there is for- | givenness,*

that you | may be feared.

Out | of the depths*

I cry to you, | O LORD!

O Lord, | hear my voice!*

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for | mercy!

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is | steadfast love,*

and with him is plentiful re- | demption.

And he will redeem | Israel*

from all his in- | iquities.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

If you, O LORD, should mark in- | iquities,*

O Lord, | who could stand?

But with you there is for- | givenness,*

that you | may be feared.

Kyrie



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

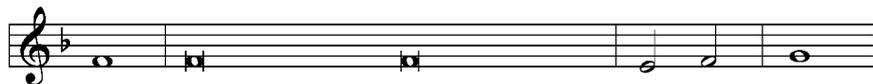


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis



☐ Glory be to God on high: **☐** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



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



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



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



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P 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, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:6–8

“With what shall I come before the LORD,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,
with calves a year old?
Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”
He has told you, O man, what is good;
and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 133:1, 3b

Behold, how good and pleas- | ant it is*
when brothers dwell in | unity!
For the LORD has commanded the | blessing,*
life for- | evermore.

Epistle Reading

Philippians 1:3–11

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Ps. 147:3



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.
He heals the broken | hearted
and binds | up their wounds. *Alleluias Repeated*

Holy Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Peter came up and said to Jesus, “Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?”

Jesus said to him, “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. “Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. 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. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. 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.’ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. 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. Then his master summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C 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 Spirit 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 sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in 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.

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
 2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
 3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
 heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
 wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
 all to me; All my wants to Him are known,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
 Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
 Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
 All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the

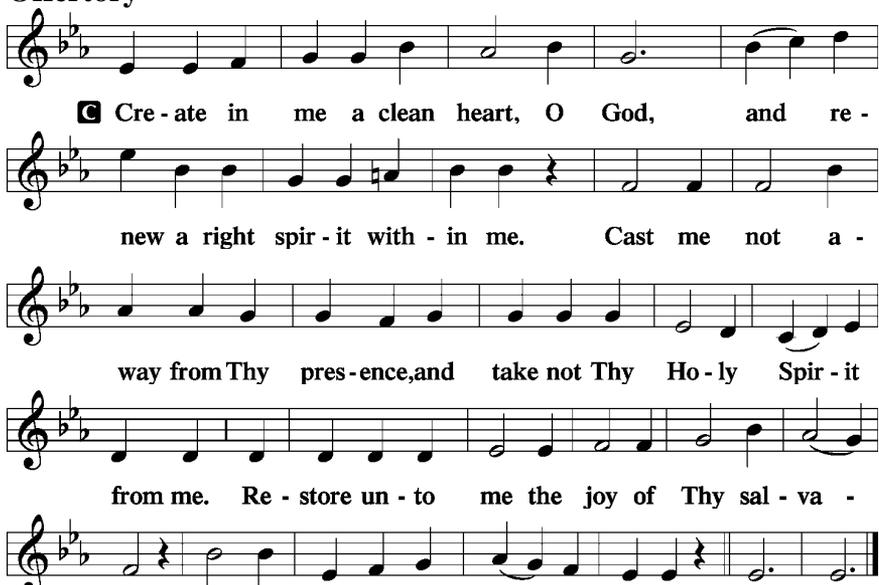


to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
 won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
 walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
 hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.

5 O my Savior, help afford
 By Your Spirit and Your Word!
 When my wayward heart would stray,
 Keep me in the narrow way;
 Grace in time of need supply
 While I live and when I die.

Sermon

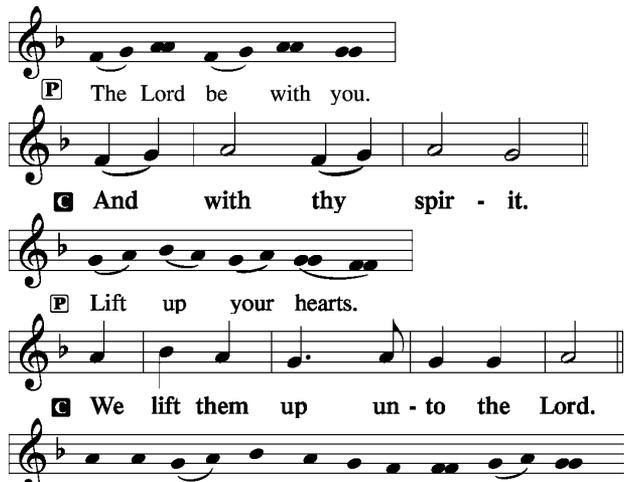
Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir - it.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up un - to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

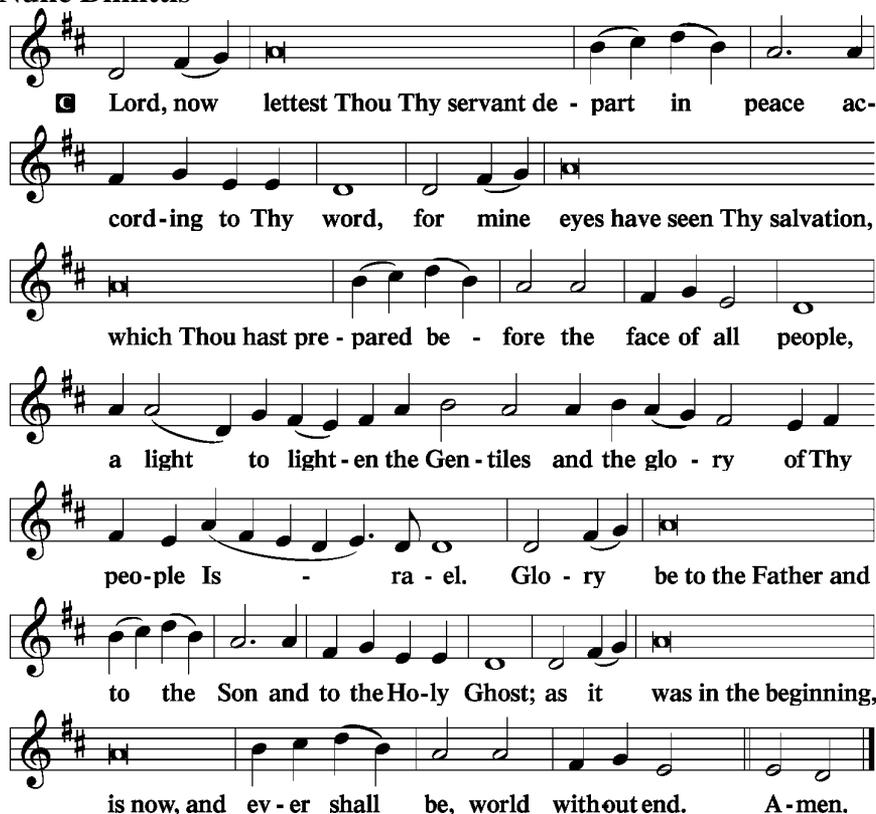
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

A Prayer after receiving the Sacrament

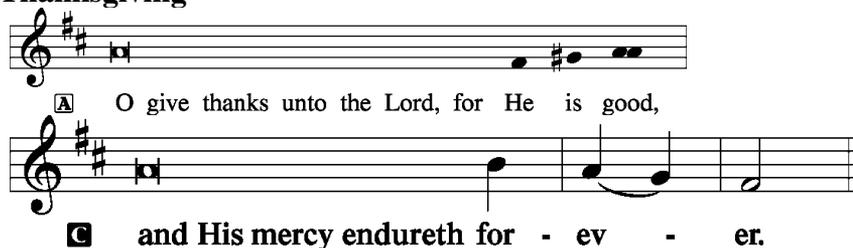
Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal, through Jesus Christ, My Lord. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving



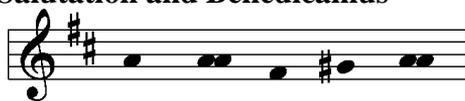
A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

A We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

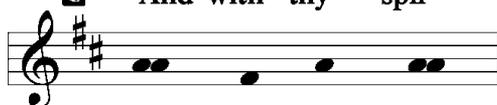
Salutation and Benedicamus



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



A Bless we the Lord.

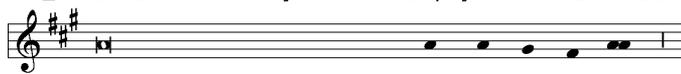


C Thanks be to God.

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Announcements for the Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

Bible Class - 2nd Peter – Our Wednesday Evening Bible class is studying 2nd Peter on Wednesday night at 7:00pm in the Church or if you'd like to join via Zoom, just let Pastor Ball know.

Advent Services – Looking ahead, our midweek Advent Services will be on December 2, 9 and 16. The services will be at 8:20am, 6:00pm and 7:30pm. There will be an electronic signup emailed along with a paper signup in the narthex in the next couple weeks.

Thanksgiving Service Registration – We are having two Thanksgiving services this year. Our first Thanksgiving service will be a Vespers Service on Wednesday evening at 7:00pm the second service will be a Matins Service on Thursday morning at 9:00am. We are asking that you sign up for the service you plan to attend through the email google sheet that was sent out to those on the email list. If you do not have access to email, please sign up on the registration sheet available in the narthex. Thank you!

Lutheran Witness Renewals – are now due. To renew or order a subscription to Lutheran Witness, please place your check for \$18.00 made payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church in an envelope marked Lutheran Witness and put it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. Please include your name and address with your check. Orders need to be turned in by November 16. Thank you.

MELHS After Prom – The committee is beginning to raise funds for the 2021 After Prom, with the first fundraiser to be held at MOD Pizza on Sunday, November 15, from 10:30am-9:00pm. The school will receive 20 percent back for dine-in, delivery or pick-up orders. Please RSVP here: <https://www.groupraise.com/events/163601>.

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Philippians 1:5 – “**I always thank God ... because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.**” God doesn’t need anything we have. Yet He invites us to give so that we can indeed become “partners in the Gospel.” This is a gift of His grace: inviting us to do significant work in the Kingdom of God.

IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- For the spread of the Holy Gospel
- For the Holy Church throughout the World, For our Synod
- For our country, that we might be at peace and live in harmony
- For our families as we seek to live together in holy love and peace
- For those who live alone
- For all doctors, nurses and medical personnel
- For first responders in our communities
- For the sick, the suffering, the dying of Covid-19

Thanksgiving for: ***EUGENE JOHNSON***, Kurt’s father, for healing received following surgery

Healing and Comfort for: ***THE FAMILY OF ANN PELLOCK***, Alex’s mother, called to her heavenly home on Thursday; ***SARAH HANKS***, preparing for hip surgery; ***CRYSTAL WAGNER***, recovering from surgery; ***BILL HUELSMAN***, Sonya Woods father, positive with COVID-19; ***RICKEY MILLER***, Alhambra Care Center; ***DORENE LANE***, friend of Dave DeVries, spiritual and health issues; ***CAROL CASE***, JW’s mother, hospitalized with pneumonia; ***CLARA WEHREND***, recovering from broken hip surgery; ***STEVE SCHWEIZER***, brother of Julie Johnson, cancer diagnosis; ***KEITH QUADE***, son-in-law of Dave DeVries, recovering from COVID and health issues with mold; ***SIDNEE SCHWARZ***, ulcerative colitis; ***NORMAN MICNHEIMER***, Neil’s father, health issues; ***TIM DILLON***, grandson of Dave DeVries, severe headaches from falls; ***EMILY KIEHL***, niece of Cindy Gleason, vision problems; ***SID PRESIDENT TIMOTHY SCHARR***, recovering from surgery; ***BARBARALYNN DEVRIES***, niece of Dave DeVries, rehab for leg amputation and health issues; ***MARY GRAFF***, friend of Dave DeVries, cancer treatments; ***KIM TOBIN***, niece of Dave DeVries, drug issues; ***TOMIKO JUEDEMANN***, mother of Linda Behrhorst, cancer treatments; ***DALE GROTEFENDT***, friend of Paula Kipp, brain cancer; ***KAY GROTEFENDT***, friend of Paula Kipp, radiation treatments; ***THOMAS SEXTON***, grandchild of Keith and Judy (Sievers) Loemker, health issues; ***TINA THORLEY***, former St. Paul member and student, health issues; ***STRENGTH FOR ALL PREGNANT MOTHERS***