

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

10/11/12 October 2020

In Life and Death, Christ Fulfills the Law of God: The Pharisees ask a Law question. Jesus asks a Gospel question. The Pharisees seek to test Jesus in His own words. Jesus seeks to “test” them in the saving reality of who He is as the Messiah (Matt. 22:34–46). The Law requires you to “*fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul*” and to “*love the sojourner*” (Deut. 10:12–21). Failure to keep the Law perfectly brings judgment. On the other hand, the Gospel brings the grace of God given by Jesus Christ, that you may be blameless in the day of His return (1 Cor. 1:1–9). Jesus is David’s Son yet David’s Lord, true God and true man. He is Love incarnate who fulfilled all the demands of God’s Law on our behalf, that we might be saved from the Law’s condemnation and sanctified in the Gospel’s forgiveness.

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 - *responsively**

Ps. 122:1, 6, 8-9; antiphon: Liturgical Text



Give peace, O Lord, to those who | wait for you,*
and let your prophets be proven | faithful.

Hear the prayer of your | servants,*
according to the blessing of Aaron upon your | people.

I was glad when they | said to me,*
“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

Pray for the peace of Je- | rusalem!*

May they be secure who | love you!
For my brothers and com- | panions’ sake*
I will say, “Peace be with- | in you!”

For the sake of the house of the | LORD our God,*
I will | seek your good.

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.

Give peace, O Lord, to those who | wait for you,*
and let your prophets be proven | faithful.

Hear the prayer of your | servants,*
according to the blessing of Aaron upon your | people.

Kyrie



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

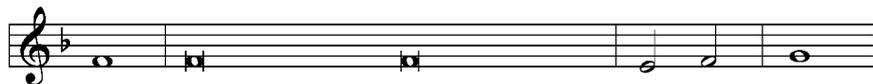


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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

Deuteronomy 10:12–21

“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 122:1, 7

I was glad when they | said to me,*

“Let us go to the house | of the LORD!”

Peace be with- | in your walls*

and security within your | towers!

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 1:4–9

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Ps. 117:1



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Praise the LORD, all | nations! *

Extol him, all | peoples! *Alleluias Repeated*

Holy Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:34–46

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd chapter.



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,
Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet’?

If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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.

694 Thee Will I Love, My Strength, My Tower



1 Thee will I love, my strength, my tow - er; Thee will I
 2 Thee will I love, my life, my Sav - ior, Who art my
 3 I thank Thee, Je - sus, Sun from heav - en, Whose ra - diance
 4 O keep me watch - ful, then, and hum - ble; Per - mit me



love, my hope, my joy. Thee will I love with all my
 best and tru - est friend. Thee will I love and praise for -
 hath brought light to me; I thank Thee, who hast rich - ly
 nev - er - more to stray. Up - hold me when my feet would



pow - er, With ar - dor time shall ne'er de - stroy. Thee will I
 ev - er, For nev - er shall Thy kind - ness end. Thee will I
 giv - en All that could make me glad and free; I thank Thee
 stum - ble, And keep me on the nar - row way. Fill all my



love, O Light di - vine, So long as life is mine.
 love with all my heart— Thou my Re - deem - er art!
 that my soul is healed By what Thy lips re - vealed.
 na - ture with Thy light, O Ra - diance strong and bright!

5 Thee will I love, my crown of gladness;
 Thee will I love, my God and Lord,
 Amid the darkest depths of sadness,
 And not for hope of high reward,
 For Thine own sake, O Light divine,
 So long as life is mine.

Sermon

Offertory



☐ 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

Preface



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.



C 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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for

You a holy people. 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."
- P** In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini



☐ The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



☐ A - men.

Agnus Dei



☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ

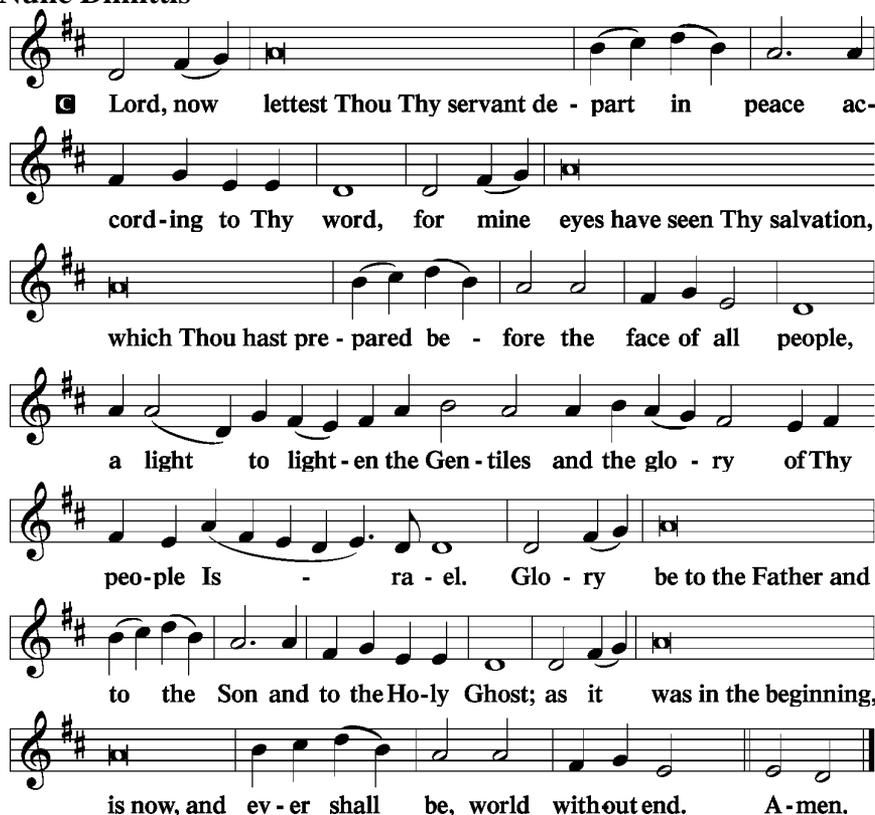
A Prayer before receiving the Sacrament

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

A Prayer after receiving the Sacrament

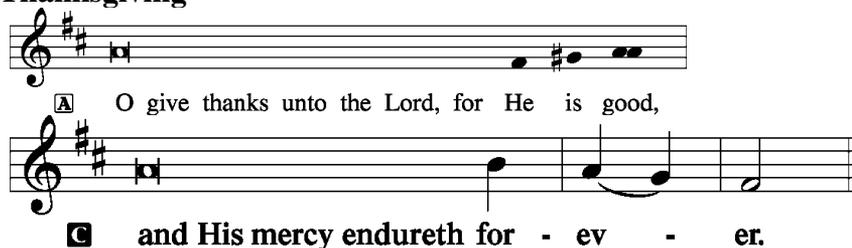
Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity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

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.

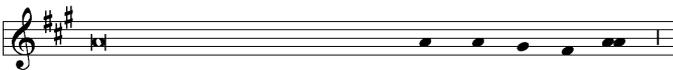


C Thanks be to God.

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Altar Flowers – are given in thanksgiving to God for all the blessings received by Louie & Pat Hellmann as they celebrated 55 years of marriage on October 9. Flowers are given by their children and grandchildren.

Sausage Supper – As noted at the Voters Meeting the Sausage Supper has been postponed for this November. However, we are selling pork sausage. The sausage orders need to be preordered and prepaid by Friday, October 23. The cost of the sausage remains the same as last year - \$3.50 per pound. Orders may be placed by calling the church office @ 618-633-2209, Mary Klaustermeier @ 618-781-7295 or Shirley Lueker @ 618-633-2497. All orders will be available for pick-up on Saturday, November 7 from 9:00-11:00am in the school gym.

Attention St. Paul Youth – Please put October 18th from 1-6 pm on your calendar for a very important youth event! We will be joining the "Forty days For Life" event, praying for the end of abortion in our country. We will be meeting at 1pm at the church basement for preliminary instructions and then heading to the Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood facility where we will pray and read through Scriptures from 2-4 pm. After that we will return to the church for pizza and to discuss what we experienced. Please call or text me if you are able to come or if you or your parents have any questions. It would be great to have a large group going to confess how precious a gift from God, life is, before a confused world. Sharon Braasch 618-910-9635.

40 Days For Life – From September 23 through November 1, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood 317 Salem Place Fairview Heights, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. All CDC COVID-19 requirements will be observed at the site. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Christy@coalitionforlifestl.com or you may visit www.coalitionforlifestl.com and sign up on our Vigil Calendar.

Thank you, St. Paul Congregation – for your donations of purses and items to fill them, for women's centers. We were able to take about 20 purses with items overflowing to Good Shepherd, where they assembled collections from all congregations. Your concern for homeless and abused women show such a caring heart; thank you! – St. Paul LWML

Family Bible Study Books – are available on the table in the narthex. If you didn't get one, pick one up and put it to good use at home. Parents can use them in place of Sunday School and tailor them to smaller children.

Wednesday Night Bible Study - 1 Peter – St. Peter writes to Christians who are enduring trials for the sake of the name of Jesus. It will be good for us to hear the Word of the Lord and study it together. We are live and in person in the Church on Wednesdays at 7:00pm, or you can join in on Zoom.

Equipping The Priesthood Of All Believers – Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: Prayer, The Augsburg Confession, 2nd Century Bishop Ignatius of Antioch, Luke the Evangelist, Jacob's Family and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUE, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

Matthew 22:40 – **“On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”** We serve God and our neighbor through the various vocations (holy callings) that God has given us. We do not need to go searching for good works or inventing our own. God has given us roles to fill in home, at church, and in society, and that will keep us plenty busy. When we seek to fulfill the duties of these vocations in a spirit of faith, God-pleasing works are the result.

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: LOUIE & PAT HELLMANN, 55th anniversary

Healing and Comfort for: CAROL CASE, JW's mother, hospitalized with pneumonia; CLARA WEHREND, recovering from broken hip surgery; STEVE SCHWEIZER, brother of Julie Johnson, cancer diagnosis; ROSALEE COOK, mother of Diane Schnare, recovering from broken hip surgery; KEITH QUADE, son-in-law of Dave DeVries, recovering from COVID and health issues with mold; CARLA FAST, friend of Cindi Weedon, COVID; RICKEY MILLER, hospitalized at SLUH with health difficulties; SIDNEE SCHWARZ, ulcerative colitis; JOE MEADE, health issues; 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, taking treatments for brain cancer; KAY GROTEFENDT, friend of Paula Kipp, recovering from surgery; 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