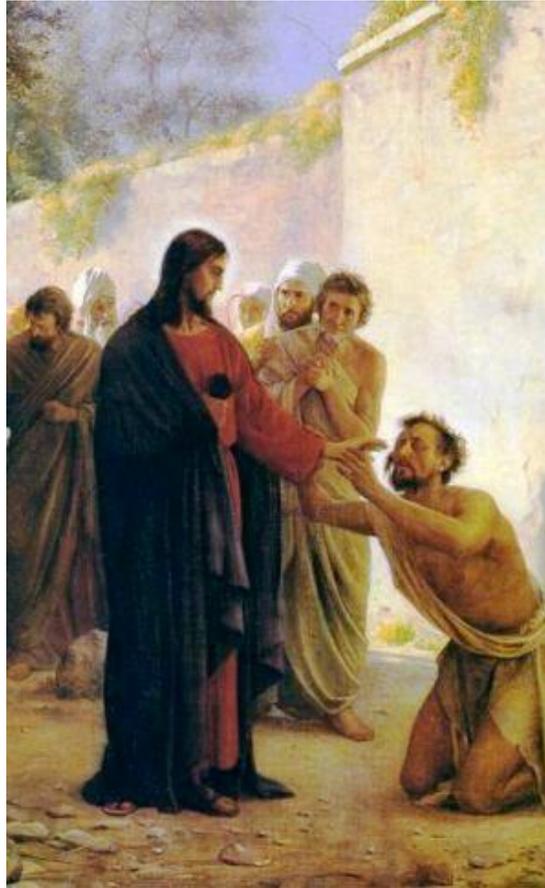


# The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Sunday of the Ten Lepers



“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”

Luke 17:13

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5 September A+D 2021

**Welcome in Jesus' name** to our guests this holy day. We pray God's richest blessings to you as we hear His Word and receive His gifts. If you're visiting for the first time, please sign our guestbook in the narthex.

**Worship at St. Paul's** is conducted according to the historic, liturgical worship patterns of the Christian Church throughout the ages. The rhythm of worship is from our God to us, and then from us back to Him. He gives His gifts, and together we receive and extol them.

**The Lord's Supper is offered** every Sunday of the month. St. Paul's observes the biblical practice of close communion. Members of sister congregations of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are encouraged to commune with us. *We ask visitors who are not members of the LC-MS to speak with one of our pastors if you are interested in learning more about our church and communion practices.*

**Mary-Tide: The Sunday of the Ten Lepers – "Spiritual Thankfulness"**

**"Spirit-born OR Wrought by the Spirit" The Cry of Faith: Lord, Have Mercy**

The ten lepers cried out from a distance, *"Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"* (Luke 17:11–19). Their condition cut them off from God and others. So also do the works of the flesh cut us off from God and others. *"Those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God"* (Gal. 5:16–24). Thus we cry out with the lepers, *"Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy,"* eagerly seeking His good gifts. Jesus said to the lepers, *"Go and show yourselves to the priests."* And as they went, they were cleansed. So too, we walk by faith and not by sight, being confident of Jesus' help before we see any evidence of it, trusting that Jesus' cleansing words of forgiveness will restore us to wholeness in the resurrection. Let us be as the one leper who returned to the true High Priest to give Him thanks and glory. For Jesus bore our infirmities in His sacrifice at Calvary. His words are life to those who find them, and health to all their flesh (Prov. 4:10–23).

**Service Notes:** Our guests from the Asian Mission Field will provide music for the 8:00 service. The Waggoner Family Kantorei will provide music at 10:45.

**Prayer:** O Lord, our God, as we come before You to worship You in spirit and truth, we ask You to open our hearts to the ministry of Your Word. Lead us to truly repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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*The flowers on the altar are to the glory of God  
and given in honor of Dr. C's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday,  
which he celebrates tomorrow.*

# Divine Service

## Setting Three

8:00 a.m. Prelude: "Thy Strong Word" .....arr. John A. Behnke

10:45 a.m. Prelude: "Thy Strong Word" .....arr. John A. Behnke  
"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" .....arr. Matthew Prins

### 655 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word



1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are  
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your  
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that  
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.  
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.  
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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## Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  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  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

**Introit** (*congregation chants bold*) *Ps. 84:1-2a, 4, 10b; antiphon: Ps. 84:9-10a*

Behold our shield, | O God;\*  
look on the face of your a- | nointed!

**For a day | in your courts\***

**is better than a thousand | elsewhere.**

How lovely is your dwelling place, O | LORD of hosts!\*

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the LORD.

**Blessèd are those who dwell | in your house,\***

**ever sing- | ing your praise!**

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house | of my God\*

than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.

**The LORD bestows favor and | honor.\***

**No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.**

**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.**

Behold our shield, | O God;\*  
look on the face of your a- | nointed!

**For a day | in your courts\***

**is better than a thousand | elsewhere.**

## Kyrie

LSB 186

**G** Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

**P** Glory be to God on High,

**G** and on earth peace, goodwill 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 Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And with thy spirit.

**P** **Let us pray.** O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

## Old Testament Reading Proverbs 4:10–23

Proverbs 4:10–23

<sup>10</sup>Hear, my son, and accept my words,  
that the years of your life may be many.  
<sup>11</sup>I have taught you the way of wisdom;  
I have led you in the paths of uprightness.  
<sup>12</sup>When you walk, your step will not be hampered,  
and if you run, you will not stumble.  
<sup>13</sup>Keep hold of instruction; do not let go;  
guard her, for she is your life.  
<sup>14</sup>Do not enter the path of the wicked,  
and do not walk in the way of the evil.  
<sup>15</sup>Avoid it; do not go on it;  
turn away from it and pass on.  
<sup>16</sup>For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong;  
they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble.  
<sup>17</sup>For they eat the bread of wickedness  
and drink the wine of violence.  
<sup>18</sup>But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,  
which shines brighter and brighter until full day.  
<sup>19</sup>The way of the wicked is like deep darkness;  
they do not know over what they stumble.  
<sup>20</sup>My son, be attentive to my words;  
incline your ear to my sayings.  
<sup>21</sup>Let them not escape from your sight;  
keep them within your heart.  
<sup>22</sup>For they are life to those who find them,  
and healing to all their flesh.  
<sup>23</sup>Keep your heart with all vigilance,  
for from it flow the springs of life.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**8:00 a.m. Gradual** (*Missionary Kantorei*) “*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*” .....Arr. Sandra Rhein

**10:45 a.m. Gradual** (*Kantorei*) “*Christ, the Life of All the Living*” .....LSB #420 vs.1, 6, 7

- 1 Christ, the life of all the living, Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
Who, Thyself for me once giving To the darkest depths of woe:  
Through Thy suff' rings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 6 Thou hast suffered great affliction And hast borne it patiently,  
Even death by crucifixion, Fully to atone for me;  
Thou didst choose to be tormented That my doom should be prevented.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, Dearest Jesus, unto Thee.
- 7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon, For Thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For Thine anguish in the Garden, I will thank Thee evermore,  
Thank Thee for Thy groaning, sighing, For Thy bleeding and Thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry, And shall praise Thee, Lord, on high.

## Epistle Galatians 5:16–24

Galatians 5:16–24

<sup>16</sup>But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. <sup>17</sup>For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. <sup>18</sup>But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. <sup>19</sup>Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup>And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

(*Kantorei*) Ps. 65:1 Praise is due to you, O God, in | Zion, \* and to you shall vows be | performed.

## Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

## Luke 17:11–19

Luke 17:11–19

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup>and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” <sup>14</sup>When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup>and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup>Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup>And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

**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  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

### 790 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly  
 3 Praise to the Lord, who has fear - ful - ly, won - drous - ly,  
 4 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de -



a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your  
 reign - ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up -  
 made you, Health has be - stowed and, when heed - less - ly  
 fend you; Sure - ly His good - ness and mer - cy shall



health and sal - va - tion! Let all who hear Now to His  
 lift - ing, sus - tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is  
 fall - ing, has stayed you. What need or grief Ev - er has  
 dai - ly at - tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -



tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
 need - ful has been Sent by His gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
 failed of re - lief? Wings of His mer - cy did shade you.  
 might - y can do As with His love He be - friends you.

5 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
 All that has life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
 Let the Amen  
 Sound from His people again;  
 Gladly forever adore Him!

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### Sermon ~ "Thankful for Jesus." Luke 17:11-19

#### Offertory

LSB 192

**☞ 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.**

8:00 a.m. Offering ~ "My Faith Looks Up to Thee".....arr. Matthew Prins

10:45 a.m. Offering ~ "My Soul, Now Thank Thy Master".....Johann Gottfried Walther

#### Prayer of the Church

#### Service of the Sacrament

*We welcome members of our sister congregations of the LCMS to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper.  
 Other visitors are encouraged to visit with one of our pastors to learn what we believe, teach, and confess*

## Preface

LSB 194

- 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 . . . evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

LSB 195

- C** **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.**

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

## The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

## Pax Domini

LSB 197

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

- C** **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. Amen.**

## 602 The Gifts Christ Freely Gives



- 1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me  
2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;  
3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;  
4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!  
New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.  
The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.  
God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,  
 Gifts far more than we see;  
 Beneath the bread and wine  
 Is food from Calvary.  
 The body and the blood  
 Remove our ev'ry sin;  
 We leave His presence in  
 His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One  
 Who lavishes such love;  
 The triune God in love  
 Assures our life above.  
 His means of grace for us  
 Are gifts He loves to give;  
 All thanks and praise for His  
 Great love by which we live!

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### 737 Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing



1 Re - joice, my heart, be glad and sing, A  
 2 He is your trea - sure, He your joy, Your  
 3 Why spend the day in blank de - spair, In  
 4 Did not His love and truth and pow'r Guard  
 5 He on - ly will with pa - tience chide, His



cheer - ful trust main - tain; For God, the source of  
 life and light and Lord, Your coun - sel - or when  
 rest - less thought the night? On your Cre - a - tor  
 ev - 'ry child - hood day? And did He not in  
 rod falls gent - ly down; And all your sins He



ev - 'ry - thing, Your por - tion shall re - main.  
 doubts an - noy, Your shield and great re - ward.  
 cast your care; He makes your bur - dens light.  
 threat - 'ning hour Turn dread - ed ills a - way?  
 casts a - side In o - cean depths to drown.

6 His wisdom never plans in vain  
 Nor falters nor mistakes.  
 All that His counsels may ordain  
 A blessèd ending makes.

7 Upon your lips, then, lay your hand,  
 And trust His guiding love;  
 Then like a rock your peace shall stand  
 Here and in heav'n above.

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## 585 Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, with us a - bide, For round us  
2 In these last days of great dis - tress Grant us, dear  
3 To hope grown dim, to hearts turned cold Speak tongues of  
4 May glo - rious truths that we have heard, The bright sword



falls the e - ven - tide. O let Your Word,  
Lord, true stead - fast - ness That we keep pure  
fire and make us bold To shine Your Word  
of Your might - y Word, Spurn Sa - tan that



that sav - ing light, Shine forth un - dimmed in - to the night.  
till life is spent Your ho - ly Word and Sac - ra - ment.  
of sav - ing grace In - to each dark and love - less place.  
Your Church be strong, Bold, u - ni - fied in act and song.

5 Restrain, O Lord, the human pride  
That seeks to thrust Your truth aside  
Or with some man-made thoughts or things  
Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.

6 Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true;  
Preserve our faith our whole life through—  
Your Word alone our heart's defense,  
The Church's glorious confidence.

## 940 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we  
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -  
3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred  
4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,  
bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy  
In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with  
And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to  
As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.  
sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!  
set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.  
bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.

- 5 Holy Father, holy Son,  
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;  
Though in essence only one,  
Undivided God we claim Thee  
And, adoring, bend the knee  
While we own the mystery.
- 6 From Thy high celestial home,  
Judge of all, again returning,  
We believe that Thou shalt come  
On that final judgment morning,  
When Thy voice shall shake the earth  
And the startled dead come forth.
- 7 Spare Thy people, Lord, we pray,  
By a thousand snares surrounded;  
Keep us without sin today,  
Never let us be confounded.  
Lo, I put my trust in Thee;  
Never, Lord, abandon me.

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## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

- ☐ 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.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

**C** and His mercy endureth forever.

**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 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** Amen.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**A** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

LSB 202

**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** Amen, amen, amen.

## 895 Now Thank We All Our God



1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voices,  
2 Oh, may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God The Father now be given,



Who wondrous things has done, In whom His world rejoices;  
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us  
The Son, and Him who reigns With them in highest heav-en,



Who from our mothers' arms Has blest us on our way  
And keep us in His grace And guide us when perplexed  
The one eternal God, Whom earth and heav'n adore;



With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to-day.  
And free us from all ills In this world and the next!  
For thus it was, is now, And shall be ever-more.

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## Postlude "Fuge in C-Major" .....Dietrich Buxtehude

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**The family of Marjory Hawkins (Donna Heinicke's mother), who mourn her death;**

**Art Bandomer** and all other St. Paul's Shut-Ins;

**Rev. David Kuhnle and the congregation of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Honey Creek;**

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**Those celebrating a wedding anniversary this week:** Jeff & Ronda Thomas, Jim & Kim Schnoor, Jacob & Kelly Dix, Dave & Shelly Hansen, Stephen & Nicole Delong.

### News and Notes



#### **Wednesday Evenings:**

**5:00 p.m. – Christ Academy**

5:00 p.m. - Cantate Domino Choir

7:15 p.m. – Gloria Dei Choir

Monday – Bell Choir at 6:00 p.m.

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If you would like to order flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, please contact the church office (712-322-4729) Cost: \$48.00.

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"To be authentic is to be vulnerable with others—and that may make us fearful. It might be messy, and that makes us uncomfortable. It takes time. Our reminder as we [the Church] seek to become a place of belonging is 1 Corinthians 12:18: 'But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.'" *Mona Fuerstenau— A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

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### **"Simply Grateful"**

Pastor Sherrill, Pastor Frank, Pastor Tews, and the Saints of St. Paul's Lutheran Church,

It is a great honor that I am given this opportunity to thank you for your exceedingly generous hospitality in every place where you have made room for and supplied the needs of our gathering for the Iowa District West Pastors' Conference. How encouraging it has been for each of us who witnessed God's gifts flowering through you!

Conferences like this one provide more refreshment for the called workers of our district than can be easily expressed and you have played a significant role in that refreshing work. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel and your fellowship with is in Christ. May the good which the Lord is working through you continue to abound in every way which brings Him glory as He gives life to His church in every place.

In sincere gratitude to the Lord who provides for you and guides you for your faithful response and willingness to serve, as your brother in Christ Jesus and representing our beloved district, thank you!

Pastor Jason Letsche

Please extend to the members of your congregation and those as well from Timothy and Faith how very appreciative I am for the gracious hospitality and warm welcome they afforded th'e pastors and staff from the district. I think the conference was well received and I personally enjoyed getting to visit your community, dine out at local establishments, and meet fellow servants in Christ. We especially thank you for the wonderful lunch meal which was provided on Monday. God bless and keep all of you.

Deepest thanks,

Rev. Dave Viggers, Conference Committee Chair

# You're invited!



## Happy Birthday Dr. C!

This September will be Dr. C's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday! We are planning to celebrate this special day in a BIG way on today beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Here's a snapshot of today's activities:

1. Dr. C will be honored as "Director of Music Emeritus" within both the early and late services on Sunday.
2. During adult bible class there will be a special presentation by Ms. Becky Bartelt, Mrs. Sandra Rhein and Dr. Martin Dicke. These are the three music missionaries to the Asia Region of the LCMS.
3. At 2:00pm, Dr. C, Becky, Sandra, Martin, Zachary Zieschang, and Pastor Frank will offer a music recital called, "Music for the Sake of the Gospel." At the end of the program, Dr. C will be presented with a "Birthday Present."
4. From 3:00-5:00pm, following the recital, an Open House will be offered both in honor of Dr. C's years of devoted service to the Church and birthday and as an opportunity to visit with our Asia Region Music Missionaries.

(Note: St. Paul's Council Bluffs and Zion Lutheran Church in Imperial NE, have worked together on Dr. C's birthday, so that the following weekend, Zion Imperial will host a similar birthday party as well. Want to celebrate more? Go to Imperial the next weekend!)

### Opportunities for Growth: September 18-25, 2022

**Sunday: 9/18/22**

9:30 a.m. ~ SS/ABC

2:00 p.m. – Dr. C's Birthday Recital/Open House

**Monday: 9/19/22**

6:00 p.m. – Hand Bells

**Tuesday: 9/20/22**

11:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting

**Wednesday: 9/21/22**

8:50 a.m. – Chapel – SPLECC

5:00 p.m. – Cantate Domino Choir

5:00 p.m. – Christ Academy

7:15 p.m. – Gloria Dei Choir

**Thursday: 9/22/22**

9:00 a.m. – Chapel - SPLECC

**Friday: 9/23/22**

1:45 p.m. – Music at Risen Son

**Sunday: 9/25/22 St. Michael (Observed)**

8:00 a.m. ~ Worship - C

9:30a.m. ~ SS/ABC

10:45 a.m. ~ Worship – C



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St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center

St. Paul's Music Conservatory

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