

*Should you not have had mercy ...*



*as  
I  
had  
mercy  
on  
you?*

*Matthew 18:33*

# St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

*Growing in Faith, Missions, Living, and Giving*

Bonduel, Wisconsin  
September 16/17, 2017

## *The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

### **Welcome to the House of the Lord**

Greetings to all who gather under the gracious name of our eternal God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This weekend two children will receive His wonderful name in Holy Baptism. This is our God. He is our Creator. He is our Savior. He also is our Judge. In our Old Testament reading, Joseph did not make himself judge over his brothers. He forgave. Jesus directs God's people likewise to forgive and gives a stern warning to those who will not forgive their brother. We rejoice, that our only hope on the Day of Judgment, that God freely forgives us in Christ Jesus. Come! Let us worship Him!

**Coming September 23/24 — *A Celebration of Thanksgiving for the Blessings of our New Church and School Classrooms, the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!***

**Coming October 1 — LWML Sunday**

**Coming October 8 — Mission Sunday**

**Coming October 29, 3:00pm — *Special Reformation Service; 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation!***



**Opening Hymn**

**816**

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

**Baptism**

10:15am

*Thomas Kuehl Peebles*

**Psalmody**

*Psalm 103:1–12*

Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

Bless the LORD, O my soul,

**and forget not all his benefits,**

who forgives all your iniquity,

**who heals all your diseases,**

who redeems your life from the pit,

**who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

who satisfies you with good

**so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

The LORD works righteousness

**and justice for all who are oppressed.**

He made known his ways to Moses,

**his acts to the people of Israel.**

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

He will not always chide,

**nor will he keep his anger forever.**

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

**nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

**so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**

as far as the east is from the west,

**so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Kyrie**

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**Hymn of Praise – *This is the Feast***

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**Salutation and Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

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.

*Amen.*

## **Old Testament Reading**

*Genesis 50:15–21*

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." <sup>16</sup>So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died, <sup>17</sup>'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. <sup>18</sup>His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>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. <sup>21</sup>So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Choir Anthem**

8:00am	Brother James's Air
10:15am	Love in a Box

## **Epistle Reading**

*Romans 14:1–12*

As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. <sup>2</sup>One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. <sup>3</sup>Let 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. <sup>4</sup>Who 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. <sup>5</sup>One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. <sup>6</sup>The 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. <sup>7</sup>For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. <sup>8</sup>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. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. <sup>10</sup>Why 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; <sup>11</sup>for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." <sup>12</sup>So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

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## **The Holy Gospel**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the eighteenth chapter.

*Glory to You, O Lord.*

Then 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?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup>"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup>When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup>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. <sup>26</sup>So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>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.' <sup>29</sup>So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>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. <sup>32</sup>Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. <sup>33</sup>And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' <sup>34</sup>And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup>So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to You, O Christ.*

## **Good News For Kids**

**Nicene Creed**                    **page 158 or inside back cover of hymnal**

**Hymn**                    **571**            *God Loved the World So That He Gave*

**Sermon**

**Offering**                    *Please complete the friendship register found at the end of the pew.*

**Prayer of the Church**

**The Service of the Sacrament**

*Note for those desiring to commune...* Our practice of close communion is the Biblical and historic practice of the Christian church. It is prompted by love, both for God's Word and for His people since it seeks to prevent spiritual damage to those who do not recognize the true body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine in this Holy Supper (1 Corinthians 11:29). Furthermore, it does not deny that members of other denominations are Christians. Rather, it bows the knee to the Bible's deep concern for doctrinal truth (Romans 16:17) and the Bible's witness that the Lord's Supper is the highest expression of fellowship and doctrinal unity (Acts 2:42). For this reason, guests who are not a member of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

**Distribution Hymns**                    **602**                    **685**                    **616**                    **623**

**Post-Communion Canticle** — *Thank the Lord*                    **page 164**

**Post-Communion Prayer, Benediction**                    **page 166**

**Closing Hymn**                    **548**                    *Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious*



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## *Serving the Lord in Worship*

<b>Liturgy</b>	Rev. Timothy J. Shoup	<b>Sermon</b>	Rev. Mark R. Palmer
<b>Organist</b>	Mrs. Lorraine Doell		
<b>Music</b>	8:00am – Adult Choir	10:15am – Grades 1 & 2	
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kylie Hoeffs	Karlee Ziemer	Jake Dreyer

# Prayers



**In Need of Healing . . .** *Mike Dellemann, Jr., Kathy Ebert, Shirley Kieckhafer, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Rev. Harley Kopitske, Dorothy Krull, Jim Luepke, Jim Mueller, Doris Schmidt, Brittany Slack, Grant Staszak, Todd Wegner, Gary Wolf, and Leella Zitske.*

**We pray for . . .** the family of *Eugene Rusch*, who entered eternal glory on Wednesday, September 13. He received Christian burial at St. Paul on Saturday, September 16.

## Baptisms . . .

✝ *Shea Brooke Jagodzinski*, daughter of Allen and Shelli Jagodzinski, was born on August 13, 2017, and will be baptized before our 7:00pm service this weekend. Her sponsors are Kyle Wagner, Jodi Yenter, and Melodee Gretzinger.

✝ *Thomas Kuehl Peebles*, son of Eric and Ann Peebles, was born on April 16, 2017. His sponsor is Katie Peebles.

**Flower Arrangement . . .** to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of *Shea Brooke Jagodzinski*.

**Prayer Request . . .** for *Tamara Rottier*, who will be traveling abroad to Seville, Spain, for three months for her study abroad program. While there she will be doing mission work by teaching English through the Bible and leading Bible studies. Please pray for her safety while she embarks on this new journey in her life.

## Announcements

**New Member Class . . .** starts Monday, September 18, at 7:00pm. Interested? Contact Pastor Shoup at 715-753-8841 or Pastor Palmer at 715-853-5225.

**The Food Pantry . . .** is in need of paper bags. Please drop them off in the office.

### *Attendance – September 9/10, 2017*

Saturday	9/9	7:00pm	101
Sunday	9/10	8:00am	339
Sunday	9/10	10:15am	<u>148</u>
		Total	<u>588</u>

**Mission Circle Guest Night . . .** will take place Thursday, September 21, at 6:00pm, with a potluck supper in the fellowship hall. All ladies are welcome.

**Aluminum Cans . . .** are still being collected to defray the cost of school bleachers. Drop them off anytime at the storage shed across the street from the church and school.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study – A Man Named Martin . . .** 500 years ago, October 31, 1517, Martin Luther, in opposition to false teachings which struck unnecessary fear and doubt in God's people, tacked 95 theses (questions and statements) to the church door, which served as the town bulletin board. Join Mr. Wegner, our former St. Paul School principal, for a 6-week study, held in the fellowship hall between worship services (9:15am–10:00am). Just as people misunderstood God then, so is the matter even today.



**The Lutheran Hour . . . "The Latest Polls"** (Matthew 21:8-11 and Luke 23:23-25) Believing the latest public opinion poll is not the same thing as believing the truth. Tune in next Sunday to hear Lutheran Hour Speaker Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus at 7:30am on WTCH/960 AM or at 10:00am on WRVM/102.7. The weekly broadcast may also be heard anytime online at [.org](http://.org).

**Wolf River Lutheran High School Family Fun and Auction . . .** will take place Saturday, October 14. WRLHS is in need of auction items and/or sponsorships. More information may be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

**Zion & St. Peter Lutheran Pig 'n' Polka Picnic . . .** will be hosted by the Men of Zion & St. Peter Lutheran **today**, September 17, from 11:00am – 4:00pm at the Embarrass Fireman's Park. Menu includes pig roast w/rolls, potatoes, coleslaw, M&Ms for dessert with table service & beverages provided. A freewill offering to defray expenses will be taken. For more information call 715–823–3889.



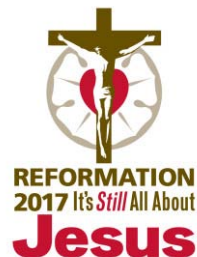
**Fish Fry . . .** Faith United Lutheran Church, 11465 Old U Road, Gillett, will have a fish fry on Friday, September 22, 4:30pm – 7:00pm. The menu includes fish, potato salad, coleslaw, calico beans, rye bread, cookies, and beverages. Suggested donation per plate is \$10 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6 – 12, and free for children five and younger.



**The 61st Annual St. Jakobi Lutheran Church Potato Pancake Dinner . . .** will be Sunday, September 24, 2017, 9:30am – 12:30pm. The congregation will be serving all-you-can-eat Potato and wheat pancakes with local maple syrup, sausage, applesauce, cheese, and homemade pies. Adults are \$9; children 6–12 are \$5, and children 5 and under are free. Take outs are available.

**LWML Fall Rally . . .** You are cordially invited to attend the fall rally of Zones 13/14 of the North Wisconsin District at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Town of Washington, on Saturday, October 21. Fellowship will begin at 8:30am. The Christian Life Topic, *As Lutherans, Do We Follow Jesus*, will be presented by Laura Beck.

**You still aren't good enough for God's love . . .** "The love of God does not find, but creates, that which is pleasing to it" (Luther's Works 31:57). God loves you. For no good reason . . . except His goodness. Though you may be tempted to work to improve to be more liked or loved, God doesn't wait for your improvement. He doesn't even require it. He loves you. His love is what changes you from sinner to saint. His love sent Jesus to die and rise for you. His love gives you salvation in Christ freely. His love caused Holy Scripture to be written so that you might hear and believe in His love. His love washed you in Baptism. His love feeds you in the Lord's Supper. His love makes you lovable. He loves you freely and fully. No strings attached.



**Acolyte Schedule Next Week**

<b>9/23</b>	Andrew Schauder	
<b>9/24</b>	Lila Pleshek	Charlie Tauchen

**SCRIP Schedule Next Week**

<b>9/23</b>	Sandy Staszak	
<b>9/24</b>	Louise Reisler	Barb Wickman



“As LCMS World Relief and Human Care and its LCMS Disaster Response now answer the call for two hurricanes, it’s important that the kindness being expressed across the Synod continues in the aftermath of these catastrophes. LCMS Disaster Response, in the stead of a multitude of sacrificial donors who are determined to make a difference in the lives of those who are genuinely suffering, is committed to supporting affected districts and their church communities while also building on their capacity not only in responding to a congregation’s needs, but also in extending Christ’s mercy by providing body-and-soul care to individuals and entire communities.”

— REV. DR. ROSS JOHNSON, LCMS DISASTER RESPONSE DIRECTOR

### To Give:

- **Online** — Visit [lcms.org/harvey](http://lcms.org/harvey) and [lcms.org/irma](http://lcms.org/irma).
- **By text** — Text “LCMSHARVEY” or “LCMSIRMA” to 41444.
- **Over the phone** — Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Central time at 888-930-4438 or the LCMS Church Information Center at 888-843-5267.
- **By mail** — Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response/Relief,” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO, 63166-6861. Gifts also can be designated specifically for Hurricane Harvey and/or affected areas by stipulating in the memo line.

Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Additional information about our LCMS response, and the impact your gifts are having, will be available over the weeks and months ahead at [lcms.org](http://lcms.org), on the Synod’s social-media outlets, and in our official periodicals and publications.

### Prayer:

For all who have been devastated by Hurricane Irma and for those still in danger; for those who have lost loved ones, home or employment; for those who will respond in the Caribbean and Florida and for those who continue to respond to the wildfires in the West and to those impacted by Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana; for all hearts that are weary and discouraged, that they may find good courage and hope in what never passes away, the love we have been given in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

## EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- SUN. 9/17** 8:00am Worship – Holy Communion  
9:00am Fellowship (Ladies Aid)  
9:15am Sunday School  
9:15am Bible Study (fellowship hall)  
10:15am Worship – Holy Communion  
SCRIP collected
- MON. 9/18** 7:30am Strong Bones  
6:00pm Board of Evangelism  
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- TUES. 9/19** 7:00am Bible Study  
8:00am Quilting
- WED. 9/20** 11:00am Worship – Holy Communion  
5:00pm Public School Confirmation  
6:00pm Bell Choir  
6:30pm SPYRT Feed the Flock  
7:05pm Choir
- THURS. 9/21** 6:00pm Mission Circle Guest Night
- FRI. 9/22** 7:30am Strong Bones  
SCRIP due by noon
- SAT. 9/23** 7:00pm Worship  
SCRIP collected
- SUN. 9/24** 8:00am Worship  
9:00am Fellowship (Parish Fellowship)  
9:15am Sunday School  
9:15am Bible Study (fellowship hall)  
10:15am Worship  
SCRIP collected



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