

HAS not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

Bonduel, Wisconsin September 2/5, 2021

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Opening Hymn 908

Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through Your Word to me draw near; Let me Your Word e'er pure retain; Let me Your child and heir remain.

Your Word inspires my heart within; Your Word grants healing from my sin; Your Word has pow'r to guide and bless; Your Word brings peace and happiness.

Δ To God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Spirit, Three in One,
 Shall glory, praise, and honor be
 Now and throughout eternity.

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Confession and Absolution page 151

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Introit

The LORD is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessed be the LORD!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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 page 152

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise — This Is the Feast

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This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading — Isaiah 35:4–7a

Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ⁷the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading — James 2:1–10, 14–18

My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. ²For if a man wearing a gold ring and fine clothing comes into your assembly, and a poor man in shabby clothing also comes in, ³and if you pay attention to the one who wears the fine clothing and say, "You sit here in a good place," while you say to the poor man, "You stand over there," or, "Sit down at my feet," ⁴have you not then made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor man. Are not the rich the ones who oppress you, and the ones who drag you into court? ⁷Are they not the ones who blaspheme the honorable name by which you were called? ⁸If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. ⁹But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? ¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the seventh chapter. *Glory to You, O Lord.*

From there [Jesus] arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵But immediately a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone. ³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed page 158

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,

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

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.

Hymn 551 When to Our World the Savior Came

whose kingdom will have no end.

When to our world the Savior came
The sick and helpless heard His name,
And in their weakness longed to see
The healing Christ of Galilee.

That good physician! Night and day
The people thronged about His way;
And wonder ran from soul to soul,
"The touch of Christ has made us whole!"

His praises then were heard and sung By opened ears and loosened tongue, While lightened eyes could see and know The healing Christ of long ago.

Of long ago: yet living still, Who died for us on Calv'ry's hill; Who triumphed over cross and grave, His healing hands stretched forth to save.

His sov'reign purpose still remains Who rose in pow'r, and lives and reigns; Till ev'ry tongue confess His praise, The healing Christ of all our days.

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Sermon "Yes, Lord" *Mark* 7:28

Offering

Prayer of the Church

The Service of the Sacrament page 160

Holy Communion... 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 Cor. 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 members of a sister LCMS congregation are asked to speak to our pastor before communing.

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, 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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

The Words of Our Lord

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."

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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Distribution Hymns

606 I Lay My Sins on Jesus

I lay my sins on Jesus, the spotless Lamb of God; He bears them all and frees us from the accursed load. I bring my guilt to Jesus to wash my crimson stains Clean in His blood most precious till not a spot remains.

I lay my wants on Jesus; all fullness dwells in Him; He heals all my diseases; my soul He does redeem. I lay my griefs on Jesus, my burdens and my cares; He from them all releases, He all my sorrows shares.

I rest my soul on Jesus, this weary soul of mine; His right hand me embraces; I on His breast recline. I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord; Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.

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I come, O Savior, to Thy table, for weak and weary is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able to satisfy and make me whole: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning that sinners may salvation see Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; so I, a sinner, come to Thee. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

Unworthy though I am, O Savior, because I have a sinful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never, for Thou my faithful shepherd art: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

What higher gift can we inherit? It is faith's bond and solid base; It is the strength of heart and spirit, the covenant of hope and grace. Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood be for my soul the highest good!

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524 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds,
And drives away our fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the heart's unrest; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary, rest.

Dear name! The rock on which I build, My shield and hiding place; My never-failing treasury filled With boundless stores of grace.

O Jesus, shepherd, guardian, friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my life, my way, my end, Accept the praise I bring.

624 The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

The infant Priest was holy born
For us unholy and forlorn;
From fleshly temple forth came He,
Anointed from eternity.

The holy Lamb undaunted came To God's own altar lit with flame; While weeping angels hid their eyes, This Priest became a sacrifice.

But death would not the victor be Of Him who hung upon the tree. He leads us to the Holy Place Within the veil, before God's face.

The veil is torn, our Priest we see, As at the rail on bended knee Our hungry mouths from Him receive The bread of immortality.

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Dismissal

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle — Thank the Lord page 164

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

Amen.

Closing Hymn 553 O Christ, Our Hope, Our Hearts' Desire

- Creation's mighty Lord, Redeemer of the fallen world. By holy love outpoured:
- 2 How vast Your mercy to accept The burden of our sin And bow Your head in cruel death To make us clean within.
- O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire, 3 But now the bonds of death are burst, The ransom has been paid; You now ascend the Father's throne In robes of light arrayed.
 - 4 O let Your mighty love prevail To purge us of our pride That we may stand before Your throne By mercy purified.
 - Christ Jesus, be our present joy, Our future great reward; Our only glory, may it be To glory in the Lord!

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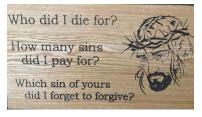
Prayers

In Need of Healing... Bob Buettner, Shelby Bahr, Ruby Christensen, Gabe Delzer, Bob Genke, Gregory Kopitske, Jr., Judy Manthei, Rachel Olson, Dean Sauerbrei, Deb Schneider, and Stan Sporisky.



Bulletin Sponsor... This weekend's bulletin is sponsored to the glory of God in loving memory of *Bob Woldt* by his family.

Announcements



Sunday Morning Bible Class... Lord willing, we will begin with a six-to-seven-week study on forgiveness September 12th after the first service in the fellowship hall. Christians are very familiar with this word but often don't realize the complexity and comfort of it. We will focus on ideas and thoughts from Dr. Reverend Danial Paavola's recently published book, *Flowing from the Cross: Six*

Facets of God's Forgiveness, to come to a deeper understanding of forgiveness and, therefore, the cross. Please come and join us.

Attended/Communed — August 25 – 29, 2021				
Wednesday	8/25	11:00am	21/20	
Thursday	8/26	7:00pm	76	
Sunday	8/29	8:00am	234	
Sunday	8/29	10:15am	<u>187 </u>	
		Total	518/20	
Online Service Livestream Views 137				

Everyone is encouraged . . . to sign the red attendance books at the end of each pew. We are getting back to normal record keeping.

The next Mission Circle meeting . . . will be a potluck luncheon in the fellowship hall on Thursday, September 16, starting at noon. After the luncheon those attending will assemble Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. Each kit will include a lightweight bath towel (preferably a dark color), 4 oz. bars of soap in their original wrapping, an adult size toothbrush in its original packaging, a sturdy comb, and a metal nail clippers. Participants are encouraged to bring some of these items to the meeting so lots of kits can be assembled. A sheet explaining Personal Care Kits is available for pickup in the narthex. Guests are welcome to attend the potluck luncheon and participate in the project too.

Lutheran Hour... "Who is my Neighbor?" (Luke 10:25-37)

We can't build a more hopeful neighborhood if we don't know who our neighbors are and if we go out of our way to avoid them. Tune in at 7:30am to hear Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on WTCH/960 AM, at 10:00am to WRVM/102.7 FM, or go to www.lutheranhour.org.

NWD Adult Gathering... will take place on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Weston from 10:00am –2:30pm with registration beginning at 9:30am. Rev. Dr. Robert Weise will share "Aging Well in Christ in the Topsy-Turvy World" [Gray Hair, Wrinkles and Sore Joints]. Cost is \$25 which includes morning refreshments, program and lunch. To register and for more information visit the NWD homepage at www.nwdlcms.org under 'Events and Info' or use the form available in the narthex.

Harvest Dinner... September 12, 11:30am – 1:30pm, at St. John Lutheran Church, Tigerton. Menu includes swiss steak, broasted chicken, and more. Adults \$13, children 5–12 \$6, under 5 free. More info on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Acolyte Schedule Next Week

September 9 Paige Rank

September 12 Jordan Schneider Braylon Krull

SCRIP Schedule Next Week

September 9 Sandy Staszak

September 12 Louise Reisler Barb Wickman

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 9/5 8:00am Worship — Holy Communion

10:15am Worship — Holy Communion

Monday 9/6 Labor Day

Tuesday 9/7 **NO** Bible Study

8:00am Quilting

6:00pm Church Council 7:00pm Board of Elders

Wednesday 9/8 8:10am Chapel

4:00pm - 5:00pm Food Pantry

6:00pm Bell Choir

6:30pm SPYRT Youth and Youth Board Meeting

7:05pm Choir

Thursday 9/9 1:30pm Ladies Aid

7:00pm Worship

Friday 9/10

Saturday 9/11

Sunday 9/12 8:00am Worship

9:00am Bible Class

10:15am Worship



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