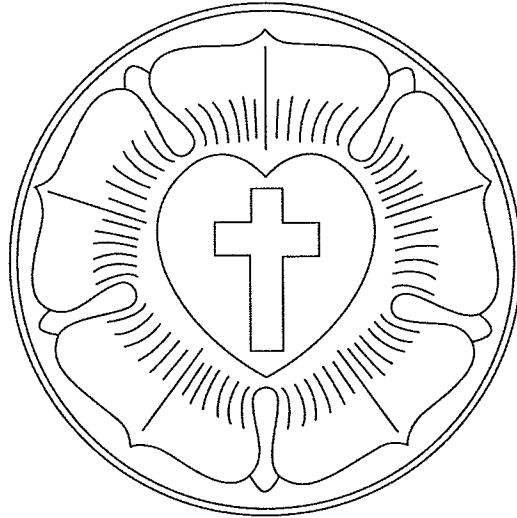


Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

Our Mission Statement

*"A Fellowship of Believers in Jesus Christ dedicated to
proclaiming God's Love to ALL through Word and Deed."*



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15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 18, 2022
9:30 AM

- P for Pastor's part of the Liturgy
C for Congregation's part of the Liturgy
* Those who are able, are asked to stand.
+ A time one may use the sign of the cross.

LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (Green Book)
WOV = With One Voice (Blue Book)

GATHERING

(Joel 2:15-17, Matt. 18:20, Acts 2:1-13)

THE FIRST PRELUDE "A Festal Fanfare" Bach/Thompson

FIVE MINUTES IN CATECHISM

Who receives this sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

THE SECOND PRELUDE "Come Away to the Skies" Keesecker

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** **LBW P. 56**

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

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P 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.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

THE WORD

(1 Peter 1:25, Isaiah 55:10-11, Col. 3:16, Jere. 2:14, 1 Tim. 4:13)

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy
and bring the poor of the land to an end,
⁵ saying, “When will the new moon be over,
that we may sell grain?
And the Sabbath,
that we may offer wheat for sale,
that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great
and deal deceitfully with false balances,
⁶ that we may buy the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals
and sell the chaff of the wheat?”
⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
“Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm will be read responsively

PSALM: Psalm 113

¹ Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD;
praise the name of the LORD.
² **Let the name of the LORD be blessed,
from this time forth forevermore.**
³ From the rising of the sun to its going down
let the name of the LORD be praised.
⁴ **The LORD is high above all nations,
God's glory above the heavens.**
⁵ Who is like the LORD our God,
who sits enthroned on high,
⁶ **but stoops to behold
the heavens and the earth?**
⁷ The LORD takes up the weak out of the dust
and lifts up the poor from the ashes,

⁸enthroning them with the rulers,
with the rulers of the people.

⁹The LORD makes the woman of a childless house
to be a joyful mother of children. Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Celtic Alleluia"

WOV # 613

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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*** GOSPEL**

P THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

C Glory to you, O Lord.

He also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ ³ And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ ⁵ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶ He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ ⁷ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ ⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

¹⁰ “One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” (ESV)

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

(Isa. 55:10-11, John 6:68, Psalm 119:41-42)

*** THE HYMN OF THE DAY** “Take My Life, that I May Be”

LBW # 406
(Green book)

*** THE APOSTLES' CREED**

LBW P. 65

(1 Cor. 15:1, 1 Peter 3:18, 1 Tim. 3:16)

**C I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*** THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

(1 Tim. 2:1-2)

P Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer

*** THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

(Matt. 5:23-24, John 14:27, John 20:19, Romans 16:16)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

THE OFFERING

“Preludio”

Bottazzo

(Isa. 58:6-7, Matt. 25:35)

(offering plates are available at the back of the sanctuary and narthex)

* THE OFFERTORY

“Let the vineyards”

WOV P. 21

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our
cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the
prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,
and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

LBW P. 68

P Blessed are you,

C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEAL

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

LBW P. 88

(Lamentations 3:41, 2 Thess. 1:3)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

* THE PREFACE

LBW P. 68

(Psalm 36:4)

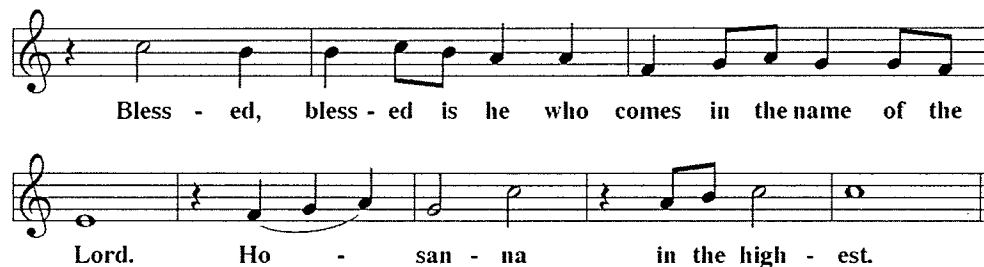
P It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

WOV P. 22

(Isa. 6:3, Matt. 21:9)

The musical score is written on three staves in treble clef with a common time signature. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



*** THE HOLY COMMUNION**

LBW P. 69

(1 Cor. 11:23-26, Matt. 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20)

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

*** THE LORD'S PRAYER**

LBW P. 71

(Matt. 6:9-13)

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
C **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**

*** FRACTION**

(1 Cor. 10:16-17)

*** THE COMMUNION CANTICLE "Lamb of God"**

WOV P. 25

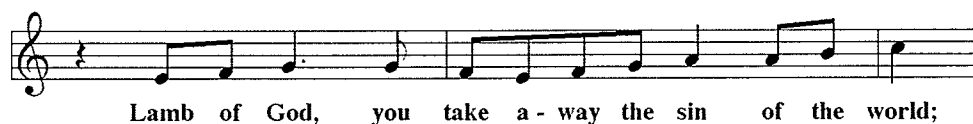
(John 1:29, Rev. 5:11-12)



G Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



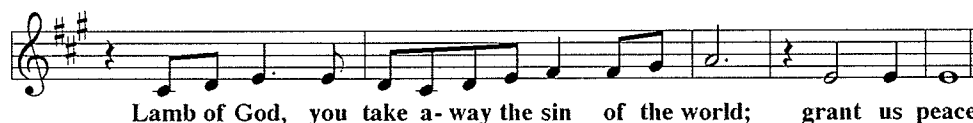
have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



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



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

(1 Cor. 11:27-34)

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Please note: receiving in one kind (only the body or only the blood) is a full Holy Communion.

*** THE COMMUNION BLESSING**
(John 6:53-54)

LBW P. 72

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

*** THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** "Thankful hearts" **WOV P. 40**

☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

LBW P. 74

(Ps. 107:1, Ps. 118:1)

P We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

SENDING

*** THE BENEDICTION**

LBW P. 74

(Numbers 6:23-27)

P Almighty God, Father, + Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen. Sing in a three fold form

*** THE CLOSING HYMN** “My Life Flows On in Endless Song”

WOV # 781
(Blue book)

*** THE DISMISSAL**

(Luke 7:50)

P Go in peace, Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

*** POSTLUDE**

“A Trumpet Tune”

Clarke

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Keep in Your Prayers:

Daisy Kuhfeldt, Carol Landis, Diane Morris, Betty Stemplinger, Susan Bergner (aunt of Steve and Peter Shiffer), Cheryl Burns, Fay Kilheffer, Andrew Lauer, Gary Winters (Charlie Winters' brother)

Managing Motherhood: Items needed this month:

Diapers- 3,4,5,6; Pull-ups- 2T-3T, 3T-4T, 4T-5T; Baby wash, Baby wipes, Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant, Body wash, Sanitary napkins- regular & super

Volunteer Opportunity

The Christian Education Committee will be serving lunch at City Gate in downtown Ephrata on Saturday 29 October 11:30AM to 1:00PM. City Gate serves lunch each Saturday and has been serving free lunch to approximately 160 persons each week. We will need volunteers to help put lunches together at the church from 8:00AM to 10:30AM. If you are interested in helping prepare and serve lunch on Saturday 29 October 2022, please sign up in the Narthex or talk with Sharon Goodman, Christian Ed chair. There will also be an opportunity to donate food for this event with more information forthcoming in September.

Harvest Home September 25

We are looking to collect canned food and boxed food in order to restock the shelves at Ephrata Area Social Services. **Needed:** canned carrots, mixed vegetables, peas, tuna, chicken, spam, pasta in a can, fruit. Also, instant potatoes, syrup, flour, paper towels, shampoo, toothpaste, body wash, bars of soap, **Not needed:** cereal, pasta noodles, spaghetti sauce.

You may drop off your donations at the Divine Service on **Thursday 22 September**. On **Friday 23 September**, you may drop off from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Harvest Home Sunday will be on **Sunday 25 September** at 9:30 a.m. You may bring your donations to the Divine Service.

Anyone wishing to volunteer at Reuzit on State on Thursday, Sept. 22 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM may contact Miriam Moore by Sept. 21st.

The Worship Committee at their regular meeting on Tuesday 13 September has decided to post pone moving the Thursday Divine Service to the chapel. As such, services will be held on Thursdays in the church and the committee will re-visit movement to the chapel at a later date. Thanks in advance for your understanding.

Usher	Nathan Hansell
Acolyte	Sebastien Francois
Lector	Deb Hansell
Communion Assistant	Jackie Roth
Altar care	Andrea Richard

Today	11:00 AM	Covered Dish FH
	11:45 AM	Teleconference service
		Pipeline articles due
Monday-Friday	9:00 AM	Preschool
Monday	5:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	11:00 AM	Social Ministry MP
Thursday	7:00 PM	Holy Communion
Friday	11:30 AM	Pipeline Assembly Rm. 6

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