

Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of Your anointed! For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

## The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

## September 10, 2023

9:30 a.m.

<u>This Morning's Hymns</u> 790 713 421 731 756 849 895 For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in Heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the Mediator of a New Covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better Word than the blood of Abel.

#### Hebrews 12:18-24

The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread . . . For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, "This is My Body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, after supper, saying, "This Cup is the New Covenant in My Blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself.

#### 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:23-29

*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.

#### Luther's Small Catechism: The Sacrament of the Altar

Falsely are our churches accused of abolishing the Mass; for the Mass is retained among us and celebrated with the highest reverence. Nearly all the usual ceremonies are also preserved . . . For ceremonies are needed to this end alone: that the unlearned be taught what they need to know of Christ . . . The people are accustomed to partake of the Sacrament together, if any be fit for it, and this also increases the reverence and devotion of public worship. For none are admitted except they be first examined.

Augsburg Confession XXIV: Of the Mass

#### A Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church. We are glad that you have joined us this morning to receive from our gracious God and to offer Him your prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. If this is your first visit to St. Paul, or you have never received the Lord's Supper from Pastor Proctor, we ask that you speak with him or one of the elders before receiving Holy Communion. Children and adults who are not permitted to the Sacrament of the Altar may come forward and cross their arms against their chest to indicate they would like to receive a blessing at the rail.

Stand

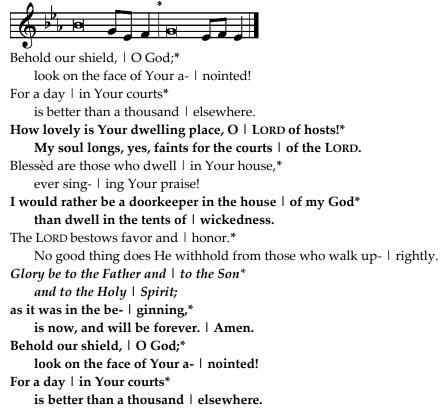
Hymn

# + Confession and Absolution +

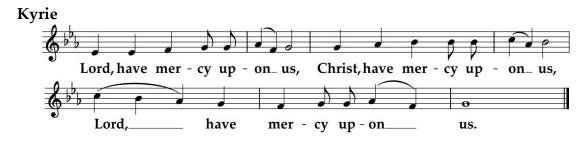
- **P** In the Name of the Father and of the +→ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- **P** Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- **C** who made Heaven and earth.
- ₱ I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **C** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O Almighty God, Merciful Father,
- **G** 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 +

#### Psalm 84:1–2a, 4, 10b, 11b; antiphon: Psalm 84:9–10a

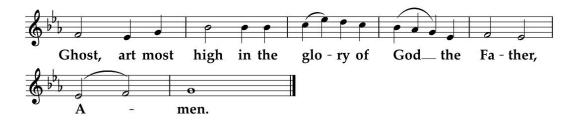


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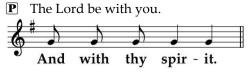


#### **Gloria in Excelsis**





#### Salutation and Collect of the Day



▶ 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.

#### Sit

#### Old Testament

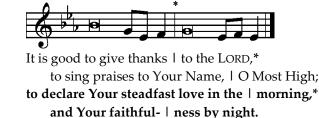
Proverbs 4:10–23

In those days King Solomon said: <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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

#### Gradual

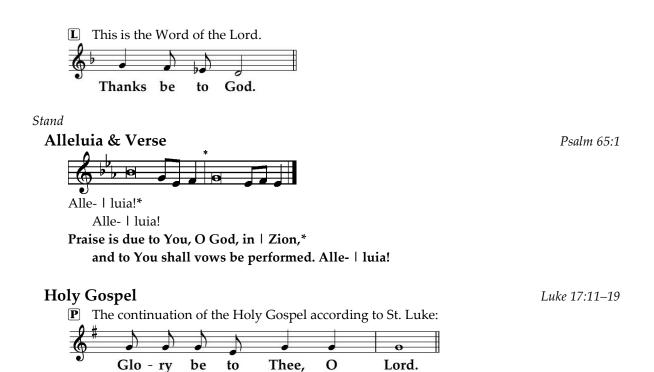


### Epistle

*Brethren*: <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.

Psalm 92:1–2

Galatians 5:16-24



*At that time:* <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."



#### Nicene Creed

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.

#### Sit

Hymn of the Day

From God Can Nothing Move Me

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#### Sermon

#### Offering

#### Stand



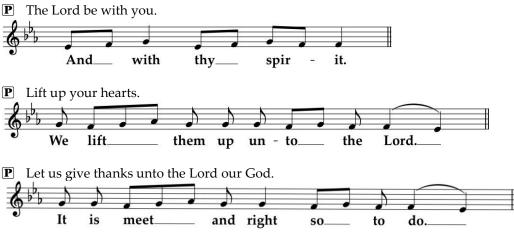
## Prayer of the Church

At the end of each petition:

- **P** Let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

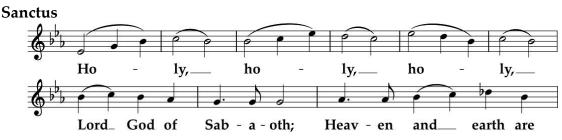
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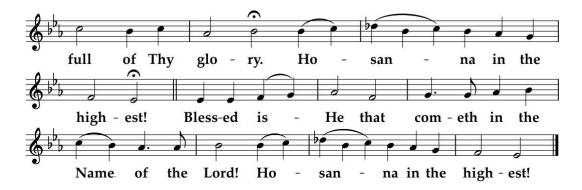
#### Preface



#### **Proper Preface**

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:





### The Lord's Prayer

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

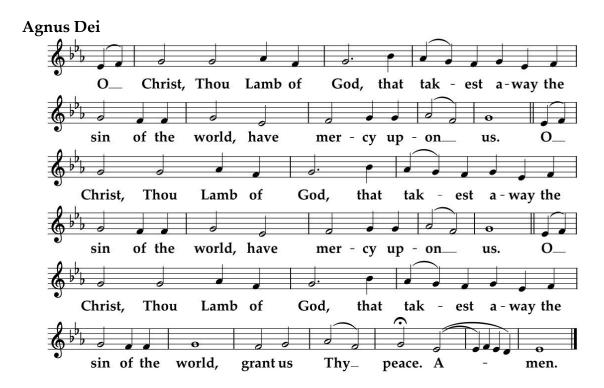
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."

#### **Pax Domini**

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



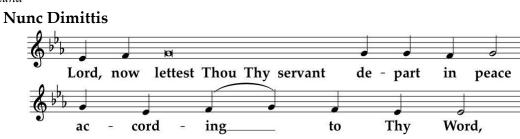


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## **Distribution Hymns**

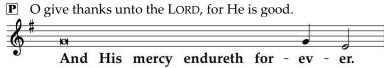
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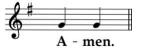




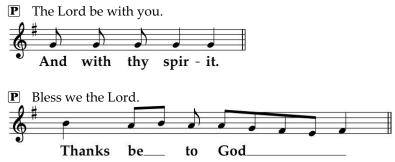
## Thanksgiving



▶ 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.



## Salutation and Benedicamus



## Benediction

■ 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.



## Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

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## BRENDA PARKER'S & LINDA ARMSTRONG'S BIRTHDAY!

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# **BULLETIN NEWS**

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	Location
Sunday, September 10	9:30am	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	11:30am	Adult Bible Class	Irmer Hall
		Sunday School	Library
Wednesday, September 13	1:00pm	Bible Study	Library
	4:00pm	Confirmation	Pastor's Study
Saturday, September 16	10:30am	Matins	Sanctuary
<b>BIRTHDAYS</b>		<b>ANNIVERSARIES</b>	
09/10 – Leanna Acuña		09/12 – Paul and Nancy Nay	

09/12 – Linda Armstrong 09/12 – Brenda Parker 09/14 – Jeff Proctor 09/15 – Nicholas Parcenka 09/15 – Vivian Tressler 09/12 – Paul and Nancy Nay 09/14 – Jorge & Laura Jimenez

## PASTOR PROCTOR CALLED TO HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Last Sunday evening I received a call to serve Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Hacienda Heights, CA. I sent an email notifying the members of St. Paul Lutheran Church of this on Tuesday, September 5. This morning during the Sunday School hour I will moderate a discussion and answer questions related to this development. **My decision to accept or return the call will be announced next Sunday, September 17, following the Divine Service.** 

## LET US PRAY FOR...

Please keep this list available for your daily devotions. For prayer requests Church office (623) 846-2228, or email at <u>info@stpaullutheran-az.com</u>. <u>Prayer requests are removed after three weeks</u>.

### **ON-GOING CONCERNS:**

Nigel Proctor – suffering from severe digestive issues Wayne Bartels – recovering from brief hospitalization Debbie Dyjak – ongoing eyesight concerns Jonathan Brant – recovering from surgery Bea Hendricks – fell and currently in a care center Rose Tressler – health issues Nicholas Jimenez, Linda Rossow, Jim Rucker, Pat Haas Mary Howard – suffering from back pain Kevin Stamm – recovering from surgery Christopher Richards – recovering from fall Dennis Stonecypher – seeking employment Suzi Riley – suffering from sleep apnea Jorge Jimenez – fighting cancer

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Renate (niece of Louise Ahrens) was diagnosed with Crohn's disease.
Rei Irmer (sister of Louise Ahrens) was diagnosed with breast cancer.
Linda (daughter of Darrell & Louise Ahrens) is recovering from appendectomy.
Sharon Wies (wife of Cliff Wies, cousin of Vickie Hulteen) has been diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer.
Nick Koontz (husband of Mary Howard's stepdaughter) has been diagnosed with leukemia.
Jean Lorenzen (mother of Debbie Dyjak) fell recently and broke her arm.

### **THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING:**

Family and friends of **Pam Werdabaugh** died August 27, 2023. Family and friends of **Barbara Sand** died August 20, 202.

## **MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY ST. PAUL:**

Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram and wife, Joan, serving in Japan.Debbie Dyjak, preparing to serve in LatviaRev. Steven Massey and son, Marco, serving in Guatemala.PSWD MissionsRev. Stephen Oliver and wife, Maggie, and children, serving in Taiwan and the Asia Region.Taiwan and the Asia Region.

## PRAY FOR ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH/THE LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD:

The Rev. Jeff Proctor and familyLCMS officers, congregations & schoolsSunday School teachers & childrenLCMS officers, congregations & schoolsMaryvale Preparatory Academy families & staffLexington Life Academy families & staff

**OUR NATION:** For all elected and appointed public servants, and all who labor to maintain peace and order.

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY** (members, friends, or relatives): Lucas Butterfass, Erich Dyjak, Nathanael Dyjak, Juan Garcia, Robert Gilmore, Tiffany Gilmore, Robert Majewski, Mike Nguyen, Ethan Peterman, Andy Smiley, Jacob Wilson

#### OUR SHUT-INS: Anne Smith, Lois Carlson, Suzanne Berna