THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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A Christ Caring People Who Gather Around Word and Sacrament, Yoked Together, In Personal Service to Christ in World Wide Missions



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OPENING HYMN "OI

"Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

(LSB 528)

INVOCATION

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

EXHORTATION

- 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.

CONFESSION and **ABSOLUTION**

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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.

₩ WORD ₩

INTROIT *Ps.* 37:5-7; (antiphon: Ps. 37:4)

- P Delight yourself in the LORD, And he will give you the desires of your heart.
- Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.
- P He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, And your justice as the noonday.
- Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!
- 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.
- P Delight yourself in the LORD,
 And he will give you the desires of your heart.

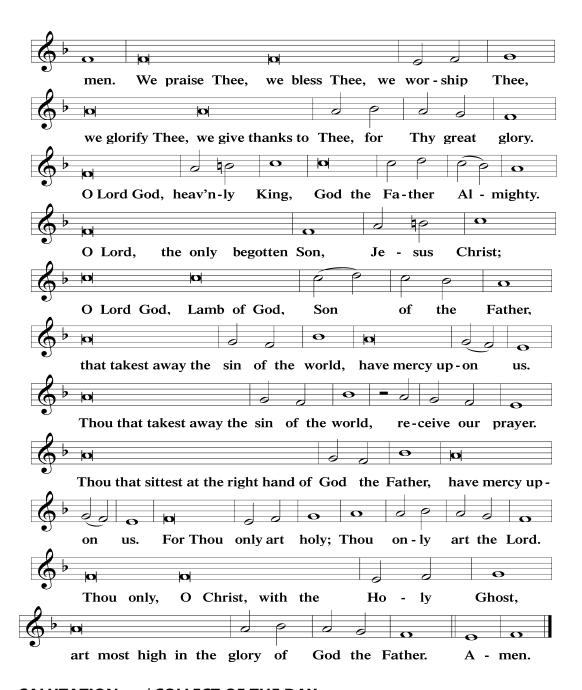
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SALUTATION and **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

- P Let us pray. O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

(Please be seated)

OLD TESTAMENT Jeremiah 11:18–20 (The prophet asks God's help in defending him against a plot.)

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "How Can I Keep From Singing" (Quaker Song)
Megan Bauck, Kit Schmidt & Andrew Wulf, flute trio

EPISTLE Matthew 25:31-46 (The Final Judgment.) ³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' 40 And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' ⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, 43 I was a stranger and

you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

After the reading:

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL *Mark* 9:30–37 (Jesus tells the Twelve about His coming crucifixion and then uses a child to teach about true greatness.)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading:

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

BIBLE LESSON

SERMON HYMN "The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns" (LSB 846)

SERMON "Do Good to Me" (Matthew 25:31-46)

Pastor Sam Handschke

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OFFERTORY



OFFERING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.



Heavenly Father, You have taken us from all nations and united us in the Body of Your Son. Send Your Holy Spirit to rid Your children of all bitter jealousy, boasting and selfish ambition. Fill the baptized with Your wisdom, that we may lead peaceable lives with sincerity and love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P O Lord of hosts, give our Synod's leaders and all pastors the wisdom that comes down from above, that they may be peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial, and sincere. Let them sow among us in peace and grant a harvest of righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Uphold this world in Your order. Preserve the Church and the preaching of Your Word against all enemies. Bless our homes, that parents and children may serve one another faithfully and grow in instruction and faith until life's end. Give health and wisdom to all who serve in public office, that their authority may be exercised for the benefit of our people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lord, in Your lovingkindness You do not abandon Your children to suffer alone but promise to care for all who call upon Your name. Bless the homebound, the lonely, the depressed and anxious, those preparing for surgery, the ill and the dying <code>[and especially those who desire our prayers: ______]</code>. Comfort them in their distress, heal all their ills of body and soul, and grant them Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of hosts, Your Son was cut off from the land of the living on the tree of the cross, that we might eat and drink the fruit of His body and blood and live forever. Grant that we may worthily receive His Supper in remembrance of Him. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Father, grant that what we ask from You may not be squandered after our passions but sought rightly in faith, that we may receive them and put them into service for You and our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Into Your hands, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

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 8:30 am service continues on page 12 with the Benediction.

IN REGARD TO HOLY COMMUNION: According to Scripture, Holy Communion should be celebrated by those who are: **United in a common faith** (1 Cor. 10:16-17, 21-22; Rom. 16:17); **Repentant of sins** (1 Cor. 5:11, Matt. 18:17-18); **Able to examine their lives** (1 Cor. 11:27-29); and believe that in this precious meal they **receive the true body and blood of Jesus** given and shed for the forgiveness of their sins (Luke 22:19-22).

Since Scripture teaches that those people who do not fully understand the meaning of this meal eat and drink to their own harm (1Cor. 11:27-29), and because the Lord's Supper is the supreme act of stating our unity in faith and doctrine, we would ask those people who are visiting with us to **please speak with our pastors**, before communing, in order that we might fulfill our responsibility of properly instructing people in the right use of the precious Sacrament.

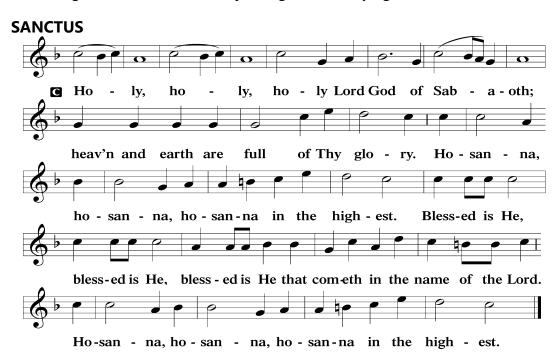
Communion Distribution: We offer both the common cup and individual cup. If you desire to receive Jesus' blood in the common cup, you are invited to come forward in the first group (after the Elders and Pastors receive communion). If you desire to receive his blood in the individual cups, you may remain in your seat and the Ushers will dismiss you row by row. If you desire to receive Jesus' body and blood in your seat, please let one of our Ushers know and we will bring you communion at the end of the distribution.

→ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT →

11:00 am

PREFACE

- **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.
- 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 accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



WORDS OF OUR LORD

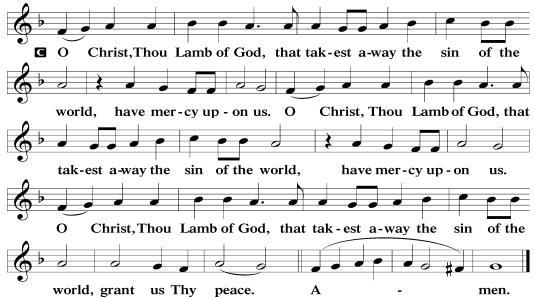
Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



(Please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" (LSB 637)
"The Lamb" (LSB 547)



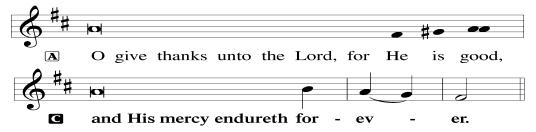
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THANKSGIVING



POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

- 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

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.

BENEDICAMUS

- **P** Bless we the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.





CLOSING HYMN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

(LSB 525)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



AS WE GATHER Jeremiah didn't have it easy, confronting enemies of himself and of God. Even his friends have betrayed him! So, the prophet relies on God's faithful promises, just as David had to do as he wrote today's Psalm, which announces, "God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life." We need not quarrel and become angry with the world around us, James writes in the Epistle. God responds better to those who have "the meekness of wisdom." Our Lord was faithful in His earthly ministry despite betrayal from one of the His followers. In

today's Gospel He teaches the Twelve about true greatness even when they cannot understand His coming execution and resurrection. It is His faithfulness for us that buoys us up in the face of the conflicts around us. And that's what we celebrate today.

[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, for He was teaching His disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And when He is killed, after three days He will rise." Mark 9:30–31

If there are prayer concerns for you, your family, your friends, or your neighbors, please put them on the yellow prayer request card. Our Board of Elders are prayerful with our pastors about these joys and struggles of our earthly journey.

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." James 5:16b

Welcome to Faith Evangelical Lutheran on this Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost! We are delighted to have you in worship with us. If you are visiting from out of town, we bid you welcome and God-speed on your journey. Should you be from our community, and have no church home, we invite you to make Faith your church home.

Preaching today is Reverend Sam Handschke. Pastor Urbach is in Sioux Falls where he has officiated at the wedding of Caitlin Bolte and Michael Hanson. After worshipping at Zion Lutheran this morning, he will return home this afternoon.

Holy Communion is celebrated at our 11:00 service this Sunday. In this Sacrament, our Lord gives His true body and blood for our forgiveness. Those who confess the faith declared at this altar and who desire to receive communion today are asked to read our communion statement found in the bulletin. Thank you.



Want to listen to our worship service via livestream? Go to: www.faithluth.com. Click on livestream and it will take you to the service or if you have missed the service it will take you to the archived services. We livestream our 8:30 service each Sunday.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Wed. Sept. 11, Att. Not recorded; Offering \$0.00; Sun., Sept. 15, Att. 295; General Fund \$14,909.40; Sunday School \$6.00; Building Fund \$365.00; Love Fund \$100.00; Contingency Fund \$100.00; Ark Bus Trip \$1,400.00; Bible Studies \$38.00; Mexico Mission \$50.00; Organ Fund \$50.00; HVAC \$50.00; Broadcasts \$120.00.

ENDOWMENT FUND When giving to the Endowment Fund **PLEASE** make it a **SEPARATE CHECK**. Must be a **CHECK** as the account doesn't accept cash for the deposit. It is not always easy to find a check for the correct amount to substitute for cash

or for a check made out for multiple purposes that includes an Endowment donation. The counters would greatly appreciate your help in this matter. Thank you.

Thanks to "Do-Gooders" – Each week we will highlight people who are doing good within our church, community, and world, with the intent of affirming the ways that all of us "Do Good."

This week we would like to thank Beth King for the flowers she has planted and maintained around our entrances. Their pop of color and fragrant smell greet us as we enter God's house. The flowers remind us of the life which we receive in and through Jesus.

Grief Support Group

Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one At a GriefShare group, you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us! Community Bible Church on North Harrison Ave. **Started Sunday, September 8, 2024 from 2:00-4:00pm, 13 week session.** Contact Char Russell, Carol Gengler, Scott Granville, Nancy Thomsen, or Marc Scarborough, for more information. Find more information at griefshare.org.

Fed by Faith is an on-going ministry that provides meals to those in our church family and community who are in need or need a pick-me-up after a birth, illness or surgery. If you know of anyone who could benefit by this ministry, please contact Sandy Bales at 605-295-0786 or the church office.

CREATION MUSEUM + ARK ENCOUNTER Motor Coach Tour Dates: *October 20-25, 2024*

You will be amazed at how the Bible comes to life at the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter! Travel via Faith Motor Coach. **Tentative Itinerary: Day 1-2:** Travel to Kentucky, **Day 3:** Tour Creation Museum, Petersburg, KY, **Day 4:** Tour Ark Encounter



at Williamstown, KY, **Day 5-6:** Travel to Pierre, SD. Bus travel cost per person \$200. Deposit required. Room costs will vary based on occupants and meals paid individually. **Please sign up as soon as possible.** See www.faithluth.com/arktrip/ for details.

Main Street Living Did you know the Main Street Living program is broadcast throughout South Dakota and into bordering states on two TV stations: KDLT in Sioux

Falls at 10:00 AM central and KEVN at 8:00 AM mountain in Rapid City? **Did you know** you can see the Worship Service and Kid's Crossing on our website at anytime? All programs are streamed on www.mainstreetliving.com, and are available the day before they are broadcast.

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KDLT (NBC) channels 5.1 / 46.1

10:00 AM - "Big Account" An advertising agency art director learns the impact of his work on his family and others.

10:30 AM - Rev. Ryan Drevlow, pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, SD, presents a message for the 19th Sunday after Pentecost. This program is interpreted and closed captioned for the deaf and hard of hearing. For more information visit: www.mainstreetliving.com

Life Quotes "All of us who die in Christ are going to come up like cherry tomatoes in July—'a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb' (Revelation 7:9b). I'll be there, and so will you, all of us celebrating the Lord who loved us and gave Himself for us—He who died like a single seed falling into the earth, and now 'bears much fruit' (John 12:24b)." *Dr. Kari Vo – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *lutheransforlife.org*



Sunday School continues from 9:45-10:45AM. This class time is focused on sharing God's story with the students. They will learn about the various people involved in this story, men and women from the Old and New Testament.

We also invite students in 2nd grade through 8th grade to **Midweek/Catechism** classes. Classes will begin Wednesday, Sept 11, from 6:00-6:45PM. This time is focused on the teachings which God gives in His Word.

Both of these times, Sunday School and Midweek/Catechism, are focused on different yet complementary aspects of God and His Word. Students are encouraged to attend *both* classes.

Higher Things Conference 2025 The mission of Higher Things is to make the Gifts of Christ Jesus known to youth and young adults. The closest *All Things New* conference

will be July 8-11, 2025 at Concordia University Nebraska, Seward, NE. Everlasting life belongs to all who believe...one day. But for us, some days, that day feels far away. Like it'll never come...like it's been made for someone other than you. Live a steadfast faith today no matter what things look like because you rest on a yesterday that was made whole on the cross. Realize that God hates the same things you war against too, but he has already won the victory...the victory that makes *All Things New*.



It's time once again to start thinking about the LCMS Youth Gathering! The LCMS Youth Gathering will be July 19-23, 2025, in New Orleans, Louisiana. LCMS youth and adult leaders will visit the city under the theme Endure based on Hebrews 12:1-3. Held every three

years, LCMS Youth Gatherings provide young people an opportunity to learn more about Jesus Christ, the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity. During the five-days of the Gathering youth spend time together in worship, God's Word, prayer, song and service. This event is organized by LCMS Youth Ministry in Saint Louis, Missouri.

This Week at Faith Lutheran

Today: Sept. 22 8:30 am Worship

9:30 am Rebekah Circle in Young Rm 9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study

11:00 am Communion

Mon: Sept. 23

6:30 pm Mary/Martha Circle

7-10 pm Pickleball **Tues: Sept. 24**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

10:30 am Women's Bible Study

1:30 pm Edgewood Mabel's Chapel

2:00 pm Edgewood Chapel

Wed: Sept. 25

6:00 pm Midweek/Catechism

6:00 pm Jeremiah/Lamentations 7:00 pm Chapel/Communion

8:00 pm LYF **Thurs: Sept. 26**

8:00 am Staff Devotions

Fri: Sept. 27

Pastors' Wives Retreat Gym/Kitchen

Sat: Sept. 28

Pastors' Wives Retreat Gym/Kitchen

Sun: Sept. 29

8:30 am Communion

9:45 am Sunday School/Adult Study

11:00 am Communion