

The Divine Service

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 4, 2022

AS WE GATHER

In the explanation of the Small Catechism, we are taught that the Law of God serves three purposes. First, as a curb, the Law helps to control violent outbursts of sin and keeps order in the world. Second, as a mirror, the Law accuses us and shows us our sin. Third, as a guide, the Law teaches us Christians what we should and should not do to lead a God-pleasing life. Notice that the third use is for "us Christians," that is, those who have been freed from the Law's curse by faith in Christ. In that faith we discover God's love reflected even in His Law. So the Psalm teaches us to pray, "Oh how I love Your law," and "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:97, 105). Today we receive that light and love to follow our Lord Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life.

WORDS OF WELCOME/THEME OF THE DAY

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: 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 for reflection and self-examination.

Pastor: Most merciful God,

People: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Guide me, O Thou Great Redeemer" *LSB 918, verse 1 & 3*



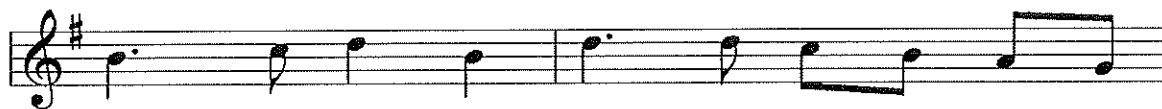
1 Guide me, O Thou great Re - deem - er, Pil - grim through this
3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but Thou art might - y;
fears sub - side; Death of death and hell's de - struc - tion,



Hold me with Thy pow'r - ful hand. Bread of heav - en,
Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es,



bread of heav - en, Feed me till I want no
songs of prais - es I will ev - er give to



more; Feed me till I want no more.
Thee; I will ev - er give to Thee.

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

KYRIE

Mark 10:47



© Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
For - ev - er and for - ev - er; Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

SALUTATION

2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. O merciful Lord, You did not spare Your only Son but delivered Him up for us all. Grant us courage and strength to take up the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Acts 2: 41-47

⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. ⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE

1 John 1:1:2:2

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—² the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—³ that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and in deed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. ⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ² My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ² He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the thirteenth chapter.
People: **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. ³² If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' ³⁴ A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. ³⁵ By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

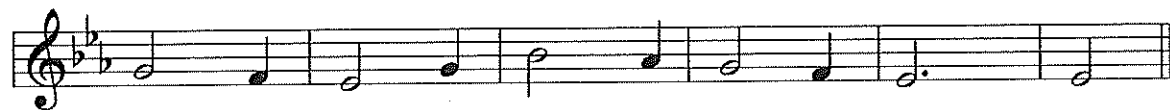
"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *LSB 709, Verses 1 & 4*



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

APOSTLES’ CREED

People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life (†) everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Petitions end, “Lord in your mercy” Congregation responds, “Hear Our Prayer”

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: Let us pray: Merciful God,

People: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Stand as you are able.

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

A word about Holy Communion: We welcome to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in this sacrament and believe that in this eating and drinking, we receive the forgiveness of sins and the power to amend our sinful lives. Children who have not yet been instructed may come forward for a blessing, crossing their arms over the chest thus indicating they will not receive the elements. For those who prefer a non-alcoholic option please know that the center of the communion tray is white grape juice. A gluten free wafer is available upon request.

PROPER PREFACE

SANCTUS

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

People: **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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PEACE OF THE LORD

John 20:19

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**


The minister and congregation may greet one another with the peace of the Lord.

AGNUS DEI

John 1:29



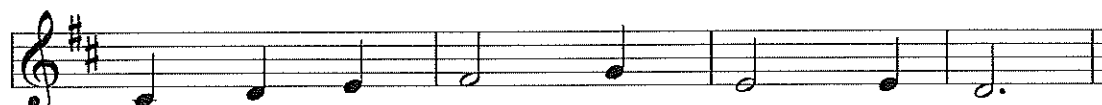
1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

PEACE
BE WITH
you

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

LSB 853



1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord,
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find
3 We mar - vel how Your saints be - come
4 In what You give us, Lord, to do,



When once we heed Your call: To live ac - cord - ing
Your yoke is hard to bear; If world - ly pres - sures
In hin - dranc - es more sure; Whose joy - ful vir - tues
To - geth - er or a - lone, In old rou - tines or



to Your Word And dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,
fray the mind, And love it - self can - not un - wind
put to shame The cas - ual way we wear Your name
ven - tures new, May we not cease to look to You,



That You are Lord of all And will not let us fall.
Its tan - gled skein of care: Our in - ward life re - pair.
And by our faults ob - scure Your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
The cross You hung up - on— All You en - deav - ored done.

"Lord of All Hopefulness"

LSB 738



1 Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2 Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3 Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4 Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,



Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy:
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
Your hands swift to wel - come, Your arms to em - brace:
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm:



Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,



Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

NUNC DIMITTIS



2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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 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. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service"

LSB 848, Verses 1 & 4



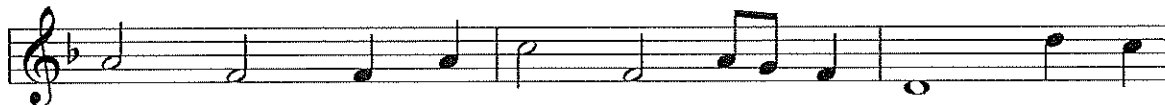
1 Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser-vice Bore the weight of
4 Called by wor-ship to Your ser-vice, Forth in Your dear



hu-man need, Who up-on the cross, for-sak-en,
name we go, To the child, the youth, the a-ged,



Of-fered mer-cy's per-fect deed, We, Your ser-vants, bring the
Love in liv-ing deeds to show; Hope and health, good-will and



wor-ship Not of voice a-lone, but heart, Con-se-
com-fort, Coun-sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your



crat-ing to Your pur-pose Ev-'ry gift that You im-part.
ser-vants, Lord, in free-dom May Your mer-cy know and live.

Pastor: Lord Jesus you lead us! Now we go as....

People: **Disciples making disciples.**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

If you have a prayer request we invite you to come up to the altar following the worship service to pray with a member of our prayer team.

All are invited as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year!

St. Paul Child Enrichment Center Preschool

Bounce House Sunday!
Next Sunday, September 11
12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Hot dogs, Hamburgers, bounce houses and more!
Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers
and preschool families.

BOUNCE HOUSE SUNDAY!



SEPTEMBER 11, 2022
12:30 PM-2:00 PM



BURGERS



BOUNCE HOUSE FUN



HOTDOGS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars!

All are welcome at St. Paul. There is something for every age!
Invite your friends and neighbors!

Saturday, September 10

Discovering Life With God –This one day class is a great introduction to what Lutherans believe or teach. It is open to anyone wanting to deepen their faith or as a pathway to membership at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Sunday, September 11

Sunday School for Children and Youth - All students age 3 through High School meet in 201/202 at 9:45 AM for a lively opening with our Director of Youth and Family Ministry. Then children break out into classes by grade. Hope to see you!

Preschool Open House Bounce House Sunday! All are invited as we celebrate the beginning of a new school year! Hot dogs, Hamburgers, bounce houses and more! Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers and preschool families.

Picture Day Come get your pictures taken! Nicole Whitton of our congregation will be taking pictures for our Church family and your family in Purple room starting at 9:30 am. You can use these pictures for your family Holiday pictures and also it will help our church directory!

Red Letter Challenge—begins Sunday, September 25. Watch for details soon!

Saturday, October 8

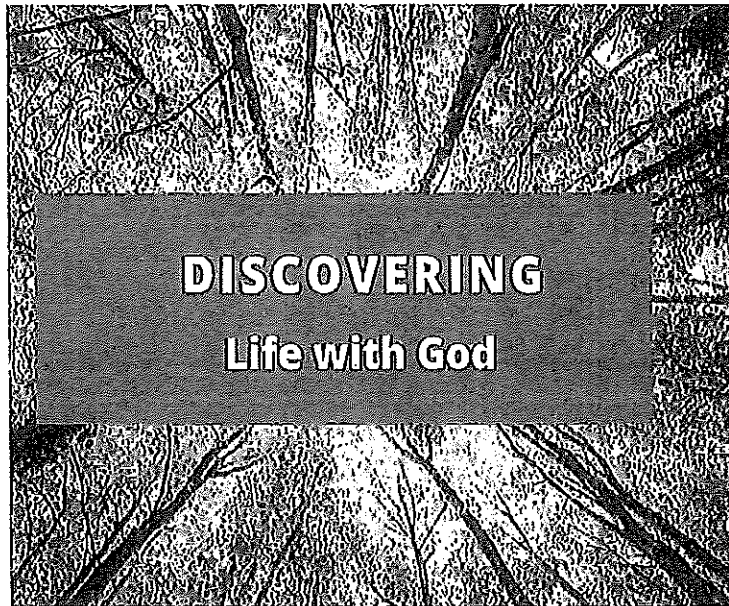
First Communion Instruction, 9:00 AM –1:00 PM for youth 10 years old or in 5th grade. This one day class instructs students in the meaning of Holy Communion. Children will be invited to take their first communion on Sunday, October 9.

Sunday, October 9

Blessing of the Animals! 4:00 PM; All are invited to bring your pet for this special blessing in honor of St. Francis Day.

Friday, October 14

Octoberfest 6:00 PM –9:00 PM; Brats and beer, Oompah band and more! Wear your lederhosen and come on out!



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Sept. 10th from 9:00-2:00

Complimentary childcare

Snacks and lunch provided

**For further information, please
contact the church**

office @ 954-384-9096.



**JUST AS JESUS CAME TO DO
HIS FATHER'S WILL, IT IS OUR
PURPOSE AS WELL.**

“Jesus replied, ‘If anyone loves Me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him’ (John 14:23).



Amen!

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Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for children and Youth at 9:45 AM

Adult Bible Study at 10:00 AM