OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVICE OF THE WORD

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18th Weekend After Pentecost Se

September 23 & 24, 2018

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elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Also,

- *f* Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- * We love families! Your children are welcome in our service! Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children's bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- *t* Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- f If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.
- *f* For upcoming events and activities, "like" us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

TODAY'S THEME: THE DANGER OF ENVY AND SELFISH AMBITION

Worship Participants

Liturgist	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Preacher	Pastor Brian Adams
Organist	Miss Heather Schmidt

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THE INVOCATION

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

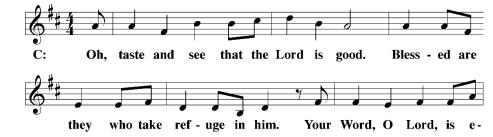
- **P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- P: God. our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

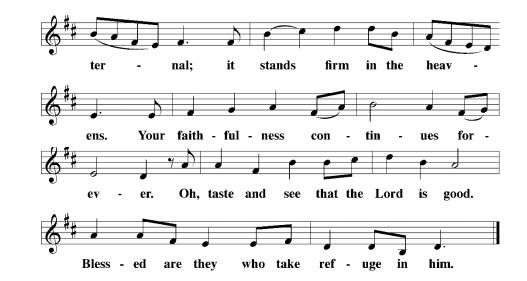
C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH. TASTE AND SEE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be Seated

THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSONNumbers 12:1-15

^{12:1} Miriam and Aaron began to talk against Moses because of his Cushite wife, for he had married a Cushite.² "Has the Lord spoken only through Moses?" they asked. "Hasn't he also spoken through us?" And the Lord heard this.

³ (Now Moses was a very humble man, more humble than anyone else on the face of the earth.)

⁴ At once the Lord said to Moses, Aaron and Miriam, "Come out to the tent of meeting, all three of you." So the three of them went out. ⁵ Then the Lord came down in a pillar of cloud; he stood at the entrance to the tent and summoned Aaron and Miriam. When the two of them stepped forward, ⁶ he said, "Listen to my words:

"When there is a prophet among you,
I, the Lord, reveal myself to them in visions,
I speak to them in dreams.
⁷ But this is not true of my servant Moses;
he is faithful in all my house.
⁸ With him I speak face to face,
clearly and not in riddles;
he sees the form of the Lord.
Why then were you not afraid
to speak against my servant Moses?"

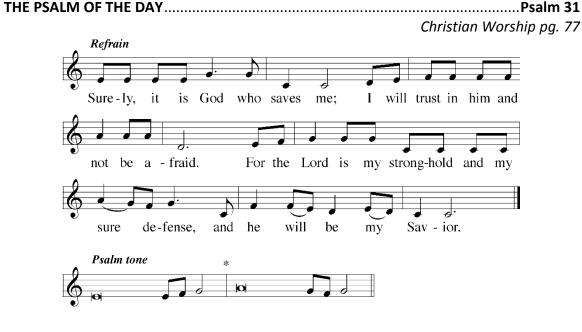
⁹ The anger of the Lord burned against them, and he left them.

¹⁰ When the cloud lifted from above the tent, Miriam's skin was leprous—it became as white as snow. Aaron turned toward her and saw that she had a defiling skin disease, ¹¹ and he said to Moses, "Please, my lord, I ask you not to hold against us the sin we have so foolishly committed. ¹² Do not let her be like a stillborn infant coming from its mother's womb with its flesh half eaten away."

¹³ So Moses cried out to the Lord, "Please, God, heal her!"

¹⁴ The Lord replied to Moses, "If her father had spit in her face, would she not have been in disgrace for seven days? Confine her outside the camp for seven days; after that she can be brought back." ¹⁵ So Miriam was confined outside the camp for seven days, and the people did not move on till she was brought back.

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In you, O LORD, I have taken <u>ref</u>uge;* deliver me in your <u>right</u>eousness.

Be my rock of <u>ref</u>uge,* a strong fortress to <u>save</u> me.

Into your hands I commit my <u>spir</u>it;* redeem me, O LORD, the <u>God</u> of truth.

Refrain

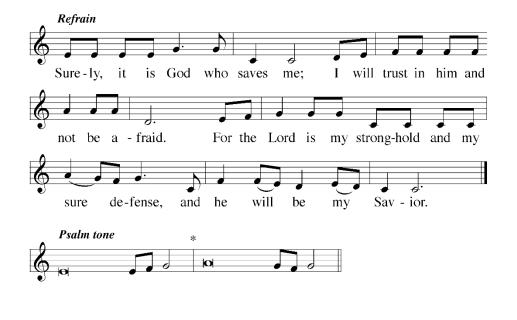
My times are <u>in</u> your hands;* save me in your un<u>fail</u>ing love.

How great is your <u>good</u>ness,* which you have stored up for those who <u>fear</u> you.

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You heard my cry for mercy* when I called to you for help.

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.



THE SECOND LESSON......James 3:13-18

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth.¹⁵ Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

¹⁷ But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.¹⁸ Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 12:9a)

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON...... Mark 9:30-37

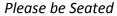
³⁰ They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, ³¹ because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." ³² But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³ They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" ³⁴ But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

³⁵ Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

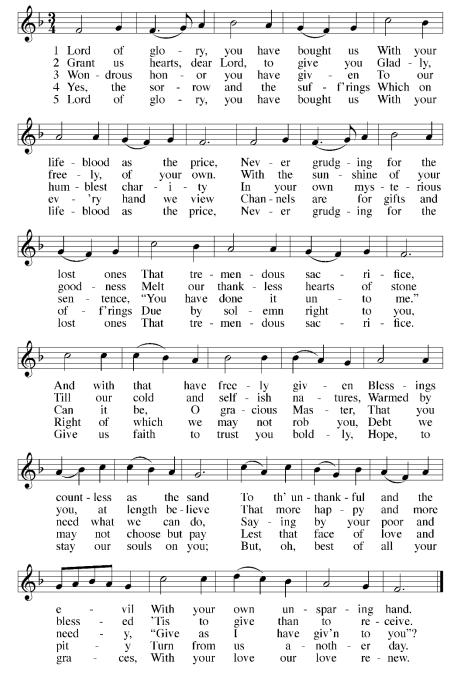
³⁶ He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."





CHILDREN'S TALK...... 10:30 AM

THE HYMN OF THE DAY...... "Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us" Christian Worship #486



THE SERMON	3:13-1	8
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Please Stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.

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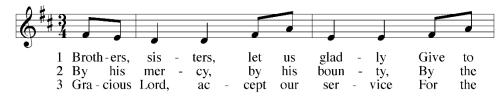
THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

After the offering is brought forward, please stand and sing the offering hymn

OFFERING HYMN - #484



Hymn continues on next page



Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen. **P:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



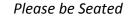
THE BLESSING

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.









ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY: On Sunday, September 9th, we began our Sunday morning adult Bible class for this year. The title of the study is: *"I Can't Believe That's in the Bible."* Below is the list of topics that we will discuss.

- 1) Girl Dismembered Body Parts Shipped Throughout the Country (Judges 19)
- 2) Prophet Marries Prostitute (Hosea)
- 3) Church Benefactors Struck Down After Presenting Gift (Acts 4 & 5)
- 4) Assassin Kills Obese Kill In His Own Bathroom (Judges 2 & 3)
- 5) Long Winded Preacher Kills Heals Sleepy Parishioner (Acts 20)
- 6) Man After God's own Heart Calls For Revenge On Terrorists (Psalm 109)
- 7) Talking Donkey Rescues Prophet (Numbers 22)
- 8) Police Boat Crashes, Arrested Preacher Among Survivors (Acts 27)
- 9) Biological Warfare Unleashed on World Power (Exodus 7-9)
- 10) Prophet Disappears Not All Believe Successor's Story (2 Kings 2)
- 11) A Father's Plan To Get Rid Of His Future Son-in-Law Backfires (1 Samuel 18)
- 12) God Gets In Wrestling Match (And Taps Out) (Genesis 32)
- 13) Religious Ceremony Used To Wipe Out A City (Genesis 34)
- 14) Think You Have A Sordid Family Tree, Think Again (Genesis 38)

Please come and join us at 9:15am on Sunday mornings.

FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL: Please join us on Sunday, October 14th from 11:30-1:00 PM for our Family Fall Festival! Lunch will be provided by Famous Dave's and there will be fun activities for the whole family – hay rides, a bounce house, face painting and more! Do you have a great chili recipe? If so, make sure you sign up for the chili cook-off (sign-up on the narthex counter)! A suggested donation of \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 per family is appreciated. We hope to see you there!

YOUTH GROUP: Our next Youth Group meeting will be on Sunday, October 7th from 6:00-8:00 PM. We will be going to Sky Zone (4940 S. 76th Street). Please let Kyle Brightsman know if you are interested in going so that he can arrange for the group. (414-335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com) More details to come! Reminder, Youth Group is open to students in Grades 7-12.

MARY AND MARTHA SOCIETY DONATIONS: Through God's blessings and through the generosity of our congregation, during our last two fiscal years, our organization has raised and donated \$3,525.00 to the following charities: New Beginnings (WELS affiliated ministry to unwed mothers): \$150.00; Lutherans for Life (WELS affiliated ministry to the unborn): \$75.00; St. Peter's Food Pantry (and unperishable food items): \$75.00; St. Paul's Board of Outreach: \$50.00; Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS): \$75.00; WELS New Mission Initiatives: \$100.00; St. Paul's School S.T.E.M. night: \$100.00; Lutherans for Life: \$200.00; St. Paul's School Yearbook: \$25.00; St. Paul's School Library: \$50.00; WELS Christian Aid and Relief: \$200.00; Wisconsin Lutheran Christian Family Solutions (WLCFS - WELS affiliated child and family counseling ministry): \$100.00; (WELS) Kingdom Workers (Clean Water and Sanitation Project): \$750.00; Institutional Ministries (WELS affiliated prison ministry): \$200.00; LWMS: \$75.00; St. Paul's PTO Gala: \$100.00; Kingdom Workers (Clean Water and Sanitation Project) another \$1,200.00! Also, the LWMS donations are in addition to our congregation's generous donations to that organization's annual Spring and Fall Collections. Thank God - and thank YOU - for participating in Mary and Martha Society's mission support efforts! You are welcome to join us in our next meeting on Tuesday, October 16 at 6:30PM.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Trunk or Treat this year will be on Friday, October 19th from 6:00-8:00 PM. Trunk or Treat is an opportunity for families to get together in a safe environment and enjoy some fall fun. Children can dress up in costume and trick or treat to decorated trunks. There will also be a contest for the best costume, trunk and pumpkin, games, refreshments and even a barrel train ride! There is a sign-up sheet in the school office, or use the following link to sign up: <u>https://goo.gl/forms/BnozMxY84HicQMox1</u>

WLHS 6TH-8TH GRADE OPEN HOUSE: Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Open House is on Sunday, October 7. Registration starts at 5:30 p.m. with program at 6:00 p.m. Grade school parents and students please join us to meet teachers, tour the school, and enjoy faculty presentations. See what a difference academic excellence in a Christ-centered environment can make in your child's life!

BETHANY LUTHERAN COLLEGE GETAWAY WEEKEND: Bethany Lutheran College invites all high school juniors and seniors to join them for a free weekend October 25-27, 2018. Meet professors, directors and coaches, experience life in the residence hall and tour the campus and the city of Mankato. To reserve a seat or obtain more information, call Bethany's Admissions Office at (800) 944-3066. Please sign up by October 15th.

Who is the Executive Board and what are their responsibilities? Per the Bylaws of St. Paul's:

The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the congregation. The members of the Executive Board shall constitute the trustees of the congregation, they are the legal representatives of the congregation in matters pertaining to the property and business of the congregation, and shall hold title in trust only to all property and funds of the congregation. They shall control the corporate property of the congregation according to the direction given by the voters' assembly. The Executive Board is hereby empowered to borrow money, pledge the assets of the congregation all at the direction of the voters' assembly. It shall also have the right to acquire property by any legal means as directed by the voters' assembly. The Executive Board shall not convene to transact business without the knowledge of the pastor(s). The president and the secretary (or the treasurer in the secretary's absence) are hereby designated as the persons who shall sign all documents of the congregation.

The Executive Board shall designate an individual to audit all financial records of the congregation including those of the Treasurer and Financial Secretary, the day school, the Sunday school, and any such organizations of the congregation as the Executive Board may deem necessary and shall submit his findings in writing to the voters' assembly at least bi-annually and at such times as the Executive Board or voters' assembly shall decide.

While this board does not have a budget, it is responsible for 1) ensuring the fiscal health of the congregation, 2) assuring that the various ministries of St. Paul's have the resources they need to carry out their particular missions and 3) stewarding those resources so that they are used in the most efficient and effective manner possible. The members of the Executive Board appreciate your prayerful and financial support on behalf of all of our ministry efforts being carried out by St. Paul's.

POTENTIAL LUTHER PREP STUDENTS: If any of our congregation's 7th & 8th grade students are considering attending Luther Preparatory High School in Watertown and would like to be added to their mailing list, please contact our church office.

VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS FOR THIS WEEK (September 23 & 24)

8:00 AM – Steve & Theresa Mess
10:30 AM – Brian & Kristal Young; Noelle, Declan & Parker
6:30 PM – Richard & Kathy Hinz

GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK (September 30 & October 1)

8:00 AM – John & Barb Migacz
10:30 AM – Gary & Christina Eickhorst
6:30 PM – Donna LaBlanc

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER

8:00 AM – TEAM #1 – Bob Hille, Larry Stujenske, Josh Ebeling
10:30 AM – TEAM #5 – Mark Klein, Chris Klein, Gary Eickhorst, Dan Mertz, Brett Abramowski
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

8:00 AM – TEAM #2 – Bob Goelz, Larry McKee, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess
10:30 AM – TEAM #6 – Nick Derouin, Mark Derouin, Connor Henry, Bob Duchesneau
6:30 PM – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

ALTAR GUILD

Sept 19-25 – TEAM #2 – Jane Koplein, Joan Shevey, Rebecca Kragh Sept 26-Oct 2 – TEAM #3 – Jane Koplein, Carol Willms, Connie Myer

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Sept 23: Set-up – John & Jean Terek, Clean-up – Larry & Marion Klug Sept 30: Set-up – Jerry & Alyce Lehtinen, Clean-up – Mark Hernon & Tony Tripoli

GRASS CUTTING:

Sept 26-29 – TEAM #1 – Dave Qualmann Oct 3-6 – TEAM #2 – Gordy Lesser

THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 23
Worship Service with Communion8:00 AM
Adult Bible Class/Sunday School9:15 AN
Public School Confirmation Class9:15 AN
Worship Service with Communion10:30 AN
Monday, September 24
Worship Service with Communion6:30 PM
Tuesday, September 25
Board of Outreach6:30 PN
Wednesday, September 26
Encouragement Committee Meeting6:30 PN
Friday, September 28
NOSCHOOL
Sunday, September 30
Worship Service8:00 AN
Adult Bible Class/Sunday School9:15 AN
Public School Confirmation Class
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Statistics — Last Week

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Attendance: 8:00 AM – 116, Communed – 83 10:30 AM – 136, Communed – 87 6:30 PM – 48, Communed – 31 Total Attendance – 300 Total Communed – 201 Sunday Bible Class – 27, Sunday School – N/A