### St. Paul's Lutheran Church Pentecost 17 September 15, 2024

#### **PRELUDE**

#### RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

#### C Amen.

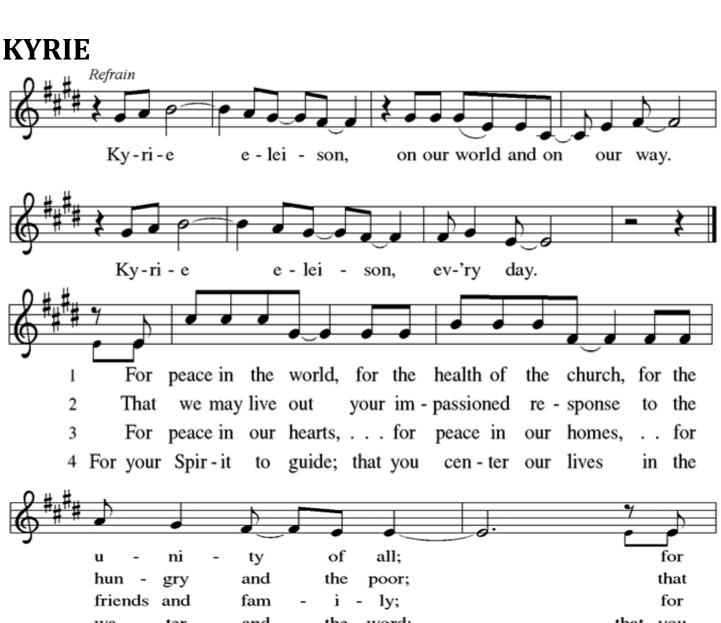
Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

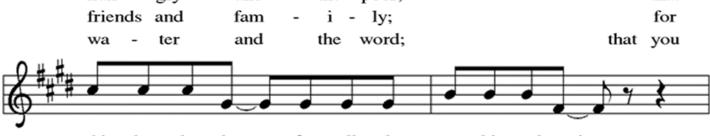
### Gracious God,

C have mercy on us. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

#### C Amen.





for all who this ho - ly house, we may live out . . . . truth and love, . . . for our life and for nour-ish our souls . . . with your

wor-ship and praise, jus-tice and grace, work and our play, bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord,

pray to the Lord. let us

#### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** And also with you.

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**





Lamb who was slain has be -gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

<sup>4</sup>The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup>The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. <sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. <sup>7</sup>The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me. <sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

### **PSALM: Psalm 116:1-9**

(Refrain: I will walk in the presence of the LORD.)

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

## C <sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given ear to me whenever I called.

<sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

# C <sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray you, save my life." (Refrain)

<sup>5</sup>Gracious is the LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

## C <sup>6</sup>The Lord watches over the innocent; I was brought low, and God saved me.

<sup>7</sup>Turn again to your rest, O my soul. for the LORD has dealt well with you.

# C <sup>8</sup>For you have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;

<sup>9</sup>I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land of the living.

(Refrain: I will walk in the presence of the LORD.)

## **SECOND READING: James 3:1-12**

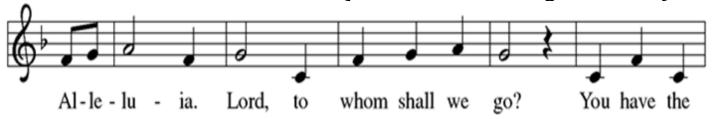
¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a

world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The word of the Lord.

#### C Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (**10 measures organ intro)





**GOSPEL:** Mark 8:27-38

## C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup>He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. <sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the

elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." <sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

#### CHILDREN'S SERMON

## [XXIV.] Concerning the Mass

Our people have been unjustly accused of having abolished the Mass. But it is obvious, without boasting, that the Mass is celebrated among us with greater devotion and earnestness. Now, because previously the Mass was misused in many ways by turning it into a fair, by buying and selling it, and, for the most part, by celebrating it in all churches for money, such misuse was repeatedly rebuked by learned and upright people—even before our time. For everyone knows that the Mass is used for removing sin and obtaining grace and all benefits from God—not only for the priest himself but also for the whole world and for others, living or dead.

**SERMON** Pastor Timothy Holt

HYMN OF THE DAY LBW 377 "Lift High the Cross"

#### APOSTLE'S CREED

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

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

We pray for the church throughout the world. Form us into communities of forgiveness and grace. Help us to notice where you are calling us into new relationships, and give us courage to embrace the uncomfortable and unfamiliar. Hear us, O God.

### C Your mercy is great.

We pray for those who govern nations, tribes, and cities. Open them to the cries of people in need. Direct them in shaping policies that prioritize the health and well-being of all who struggle with hunger and housing insecurity. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

We pray for all who are ill, all who are lonely or anxious, and all who grieve. (We pray especially for Jerry Apple, Lavella Breitweiser, Courtney Hagedorn-Drew, Kevin Ely, Keith Freyberger, Kenny Freyberger, Lynn Fuhs, Tammy Kieffner, Carole Krodel, Zach Leinenbach, Judy Lorey, Connie Lueken, Eryn Mann, Zander Mann, Gene Mehne, Logan Musgrave, Bryar Rahman, Steve Rothgerber, Libby Rudolph, Annette Schepers, Donnie Schwenk, Kaine Seitz, Martha Jane Tucker, Annie Voelkel, the friends and family of Todd Denu, and all those we name before you either silently or aloud.) Draw them close to you and soothe them with the promise of your enduring love. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

We pray for teachers, professors, librarians, school administrators, staff, and all who support the

education of young people. Sustain them as they shape learning communities, rooted in equity and authenticity. We pray for children of all ages in their learning. Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

We pray that you guide the military serving to protect us. Grant them safety and wisdom to carry out their assigned duties. (We pray especially for Austin Breitwieser, Luke Himsel and Cooper Uebelhor.) Hear us, O God.

## C Your mercy is great.

We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

#### C Amen.

#### **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

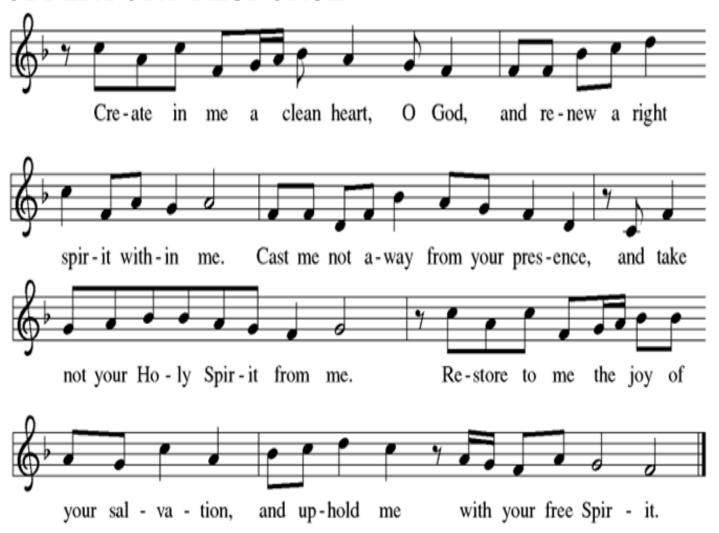
The peace of Christ be with you always.

## C And also with you.

#### **OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

#### **OFFERTORY RESPONSE**



#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMMUNION

All who are baptized are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Children who have not yet received instruction about Holy Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. As you approach the communion assistant, the first will hand you the bread. Take and eat it. Then take a communion cup from the tray. After you have taken the wine, place your empty cup in the tray table beside the pillar.

#### **DIALOGUE**

The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

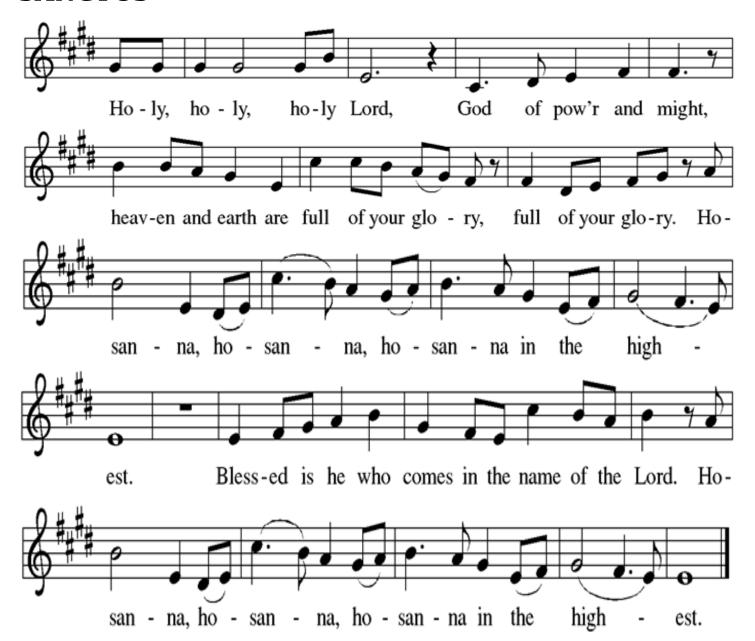
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

#### **SANCTUS**



### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

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

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.

#### **COMMUNION**

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.** 

#### **LAMB OF GOD**



#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

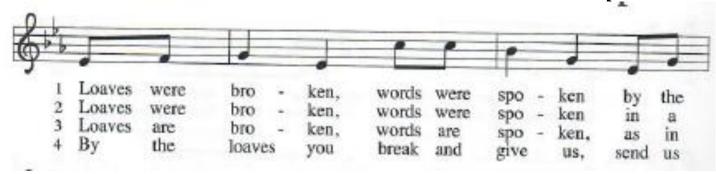
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world;

*LBW 203* "Now We Join in Celebration" "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken" ACS 966

grant

us peace,





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

#### C Amen.

#### **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray

C Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

C Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** LBW 504 "Oh God, My Faithful God"

#### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

<u>Mission Statement:</u> Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship, Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.

## THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE FOR YOUR SERVICE TODAY:

**Greeters:** John & Martha Church

**Comm. Asst:** Shirley Stallwood **Video:** JoAn Breitwieser

**Organist:** Kaia Holt

**Lay Reader:** Chloe Terwiske

**Audio:** Doug Wiseman

**Acolytes:** Jake Lottes

#### ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 124 SS: 10

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF Sept 15<sup>h</sup> – Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Sun. Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 AM 8:00 AM 9:00 AM	Church Council Chancel Choir Sunday Worship Service <b>Sunday School Kickoff</b>
Mon. Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM	Ham Salad Prep
Tues Sept. 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Ham Salad Prep Ham Salad Pick Up
Wed. Sept. 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 AM 12 - 3 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Archive Meeting Ham Salad Pick Up Handbell Practice Confirmation Startup Meeting
Thurs. Sept. 19 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 PM	Worship and Music Meeting
Sun. Sept. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8:00 AM 9:00 AM	Chancel Choir Sunday Worship Service (First day of Sunday School)

### **ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

They're Here!! The 175th Anniversary Books are available for pickup on Sunday. With subsidies from the endowment fund and private contributions, the books are priced at \$5/each. The money collected will be given back to the Endowment Fund to reimburse part of the original subsidy after Sept 30.

We still have a few 150th Anniversary books and ornaments that are available for taking.

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Emanuel Lutheran Hill Church of rural Dubois, Indiana, will hold the annual homecoming on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m. Rev. Tim Kraemer of Christ Lutheran will conduct the service. Holy Communion will be celebrated during the service. After the service, there will be a carry-in meal in the old schoolhouse. The public is invited to come and join the activities at the old Hill Church.

The annual meeting of Hill Church will be held on Sunday, October  $1^{st}$  at 1:30 p.m. at the church.

WELCA will be making ham salad Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> with pick-up on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18th. Volunteers are needed to help make and sell the ham salad. There is a volunteer sheet on the welcome center desk for anyone interested in helping. We have a great time while making money for the church.

## **WELCA BOOK SIGN-UPS**

There are sign-up sheets on the welcome center desk for committees for the 2025 year. Committees include flower, visiting, birthday cakes for members 85 and older, and refreshments for our monthly meetings. Please review the list and faithfully consider one of these projects.

A BIG thank you to Bryan Fehribach and Aiden Dodd for help with the tree and stump removal.

LYO will be meeting on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall following the service. Members who are in Confirmation through high school seniors are invited!

## ATTENTION

Thanks to a small grant from the Indiana-Kentucky Synod, St. Paul's has the opportunity to trial a text-messaging system.

We will utilize the text system in case of emergency but will also offer a series of short devotionals that can be done alone or with your family at your leisure.

You will have the opportunity to 'opt-in' and sign up to receive the devotionals:

- Sept. Jan.: "Visual Faith" 2 texts/week
- Feb. July: "CallingNow" 1 text/week
- Dec. & Jan: "Practical Tools for Raising Faithful Kids" - 1 text/week

Please scan the QR code below to confirm the email you'd like us to use and add your cell phone to our system. All family members, including those away from home, are welcome to sign up.

There is also a sign-up sheet in the lobby where your number can be written for us to add into the system for you.



To scan the QR code, open your cell phone camera and hover over the image. Click on the link that pops up and enter your info!



## ATTENTION

In addition to the text messaging system and the devotional curriculum, the Indiana-Kentucky Synod Grant also allowed us the funds to purchase new books for our church's Library available for checkout!



Now available:

#### Alabaster Co

- Core Collection
- Devotional Bundles
- "Towards Rest"

Alabaster Co presents the bible with visual imagery and thoughtful design.

The grant has also allowed us to purchase a collection of gratitude/prayer journals that are available and complimentary for congregational members to take and utilize at home, while supplies last. These are available in the library.

The journals include daily prompts for you to reflect on what you're personally grateful for, what you're praying for, and reflect on God's faithfulness. It's been shown that daily gratitude/prayer journaling can improve mental health and resilience.



## Let's Celebrate!

Calling all Dubois County Cancer Survivors & All Current Lange-Fuhs Cancer Center Patients

## Friday, Sept. 27th, 2024

5:30 - 7:30 PM

## **Jasper Middle School**

3600 N Portersville Rd Jasper, IN



Relay for Life of Dubois County Facebook



## We'd like to invite you + your caregiver to a FREE survivor drive-through dinner

Meals will be provided by Indiana Turkey Market Development Council, Oink Ink, and Farbest Foods.

(Additional guests can be added for a cost of \$10 each.)

RSVP by Sept. 12th, 2024.



For More Details: Brooke Uebelhor 812-661-2757



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## **In Service to Our Country**

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