



SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE WITH JOY!

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 10, 2021

9:00 A.M.

Order of Worship

17th Sunday of Pentecost

October 10, 2021 ☩ 9:00 am

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Prayer Concerns

Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are captive 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.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

All: Amen.

Gathering Song

“The Lord is Present in His Sanctuary”

The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.
The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us praise the Lord.

Chorus

Praise Him, Praise Him, let us praise the Lord.
Praise him, praise Him, let us praise Jesus.

The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord.
The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us delight in the Lord. *chorus*

The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us serve the Lord.
The Lord is present in his sanctuary, let us serve the Lord. *chorus*

Greeting

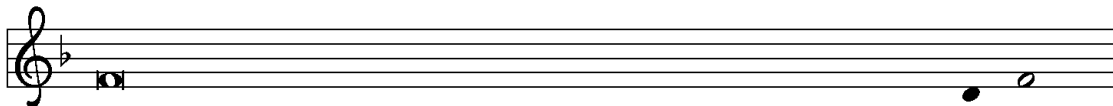
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

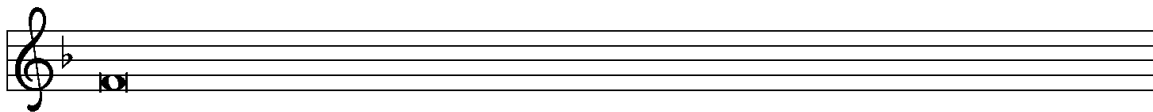


For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

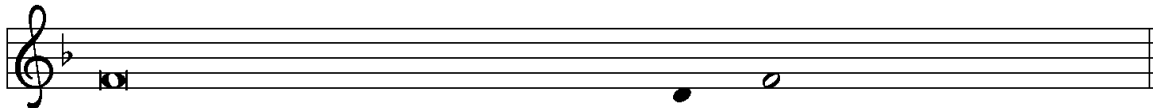


Lord, have mer - cy.

Kyrie (cont')



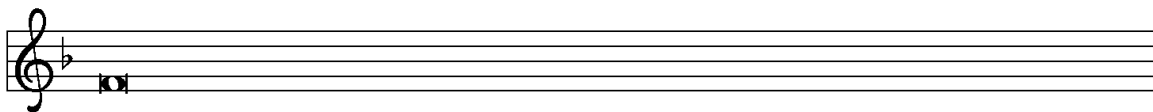
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



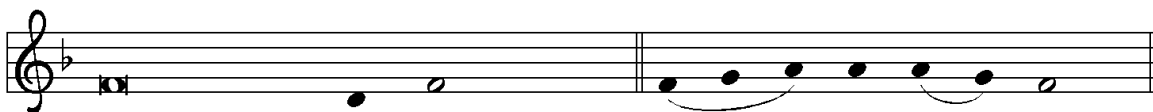
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

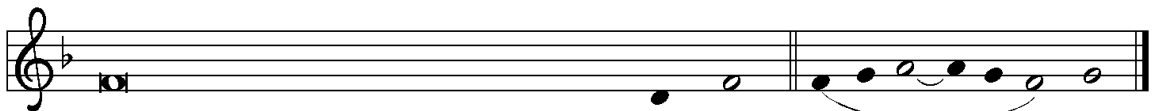


For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



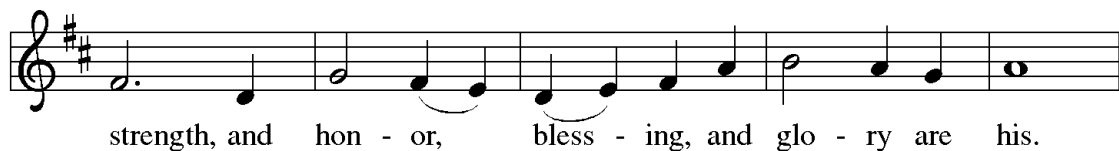
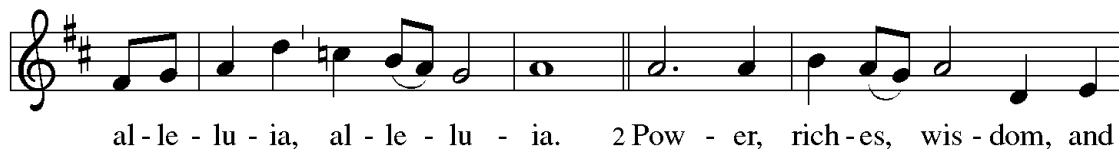
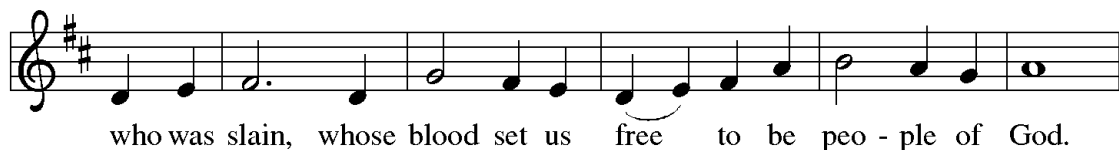
let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

Canticle of Praise



Canticle of Praise (*cont'd*)

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



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

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God.



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

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

First Reading

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

⁶ Seek the LORD and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. ⁷ Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! ¹⁰ They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. ¹¹ Therefore because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. ¹² For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. ¹³ Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. ¹⁴ Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. ¹⁵ Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-16

¹² Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. ¹⁴ Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.
When my heart is hard, break the stone away.
When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.
When my heart is lost, lead me on your way. Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart,
Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Gospel Reading:**Mark 10:17-31**

The Holy Gospel according St. Mark. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰ He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” ²² When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” ²⁴ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶ They were greatly astounded and said to one another “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” ²⁸ Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” ²⁹ Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Children’s Message

Message

Hymn of the Day

“Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”

(hymn) 527

¹ Lord Jesus Christ, be present now; our hearts in true devotion bow.
Your Spirit send with light divine, and let your truth within us shine.

² Unseal our lips to sing your praise in endless hymns through all our days;
increase our faith and light our minds; and set us free from doubt that blinds.

³ Then shall we join the hosts that cry, "O holy, holy Lord Most High!"
And in the light of that blest place we then shall see you face to face.

⁴ All glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To you, O blessed Trinity, be praise throughout eternity!

Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

Offering—*Thank you for your continued support and generosity towards the mission and ministry of St. Paul Lutheran. Your consistent gifts are all the more important during this time of pandemic. You're reminded that you can contribute in three ways. You can give electronically on our church website, drop your envelope off at church, or mail in your offering envelope to:*

St. Paul Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 583, Wyoming, MN 55092

Offering Prayer

L: God, giver of every good and perfect gift, we thank you for the daily blessings of life. For food and family, for friends and neighbors, for the gift of life itself we give you thanks. Bless these offerings of our treasure that they may be used wisely in your service.

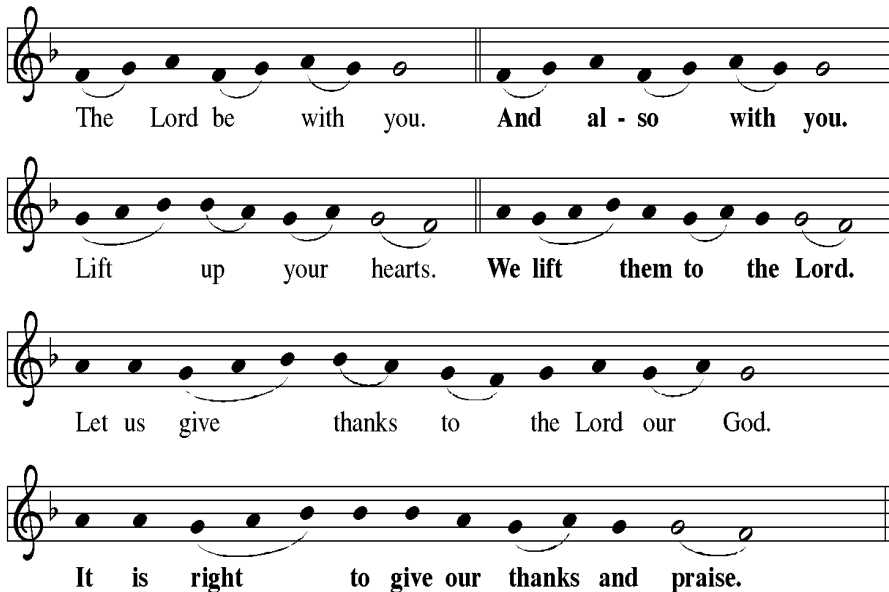
All: Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

L: Lord, in your mercy ...

All: Hear our prayer.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

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.

Communion Distribution

Communion Song

"Canticle of the Turning"

(hymn) 723

¹ My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great,
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn,
so from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be about to turn?

Chorus

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn.
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn.

² Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
you will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn. *Chorus*

³ From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r, not a stone will be left on stone.
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne.
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn;
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn. *Chorus*

⁴ Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast:
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp.
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound,
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around. *Chorus*

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

L: Let us pray ... Gracious God, we are thankful for these gifts of love and sacrifice and we are reminded of you and your love for us. May your love fill us with power to be come more like you and may your love enable us to make a difference in the coming week.

All: Amen.

Benediction

Sending Song

“May You Run and Not Be Weary”

May you run and not be weary
May your heart be filled with song
And may the love of God
Continue to give you hope
And keep you strong
An may you run and not be weary
May your life be filled with joy
And may the road you travel
Always lead you home

Dismissal

L: Go in peace! Share Christ’s love, with Joy!

All: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Thank You to All Involved in Today's Worship

Pastor:	Dale Stiles
Assisting Minister:	Zella Oswald
Organist:	Jeanne Richards
Ushers:	Dave Haselbauer
Tech Team:	Chris Timmons
Altar Guild:	Karen Rozeske
Musicians:	Kim Clark, Tyler Kroschel, Zella Oswald, Darlene Petrey, Kathie Marabella, David Haugen

Welcome to Saint Paul Lutheran!

Announcements for Sunday, October 10, 2021

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- First Responders, those working in the medical field and on the front line for COVID-19, and all who have struggled with COVID
- Our partners in Tanzania, the Mgoli and Mtera parishes, and the whole Iringa Diocese
- Beth Wilkinson, Rick Schwab, Becky (friend of Pat Miska), Chuck Crawford, Pat Crawford, Lloyd (Friend of Zella), Dave Petrey, Arnie Rudenick, Bill Coppersmith, Dave Nordhausen, Kevin S. (Food Truck), Sheri (Food Truck), Barb Hastings, Wendy Hazzard and her mother Jackie.

Please contact Melissa in the church office if you'd like a prayer concern added, updated, or removed from the list.

Flowers today are given by Will & Katie Fetterly in memory of Lillian Fetterly.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of greeters, readers, and worship assistants! If interested please email or call Melissa at 651-462-5212

Altar Flowers: We still have several spots open to purchase Altar Flowers. Please refer to this weeks newsletter to sign up online or sign up in the Narthex.

“What’s Your Story?” A Four-Week Fall Stewardship Appeal—Our Fall Stewardship



Appeal for this year kicks off on Sunday, October 31. The theme, “What’s Your Story?” is an invitation to open our hearts to one another and to deepen the bonds of friendship among us. It will be a reminder that faithful stewards share not only their time, talent and treasure, but that they also share their stories, by way of sharing themselves. Be thinking of your own story of faith and if you would be willing to share it among your friends at SPLC. Stay tuned for more information!

COVID-19 Practices at St. Paul Lutheran Church—As a COVID Response Team and Church Council, we continue to follow closely the ongoing and changing landscape of the coronavirus (COVID-19), most notably, the highly contagious and more transmissible, Delta variant. This is difficult work done for the safety of, on behalf of, and out of love for, all of us. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

We are continuing to ask that masks be worn while inside the church building for everyone over the age of two years, whenever transmission rates are measured at substantial or high for Chisago County, of which they still currently are. This policy includes those who are fully vaccinated, as well as everyone else.

We have also extended our alternating indoor/outdoor Sunday worship schedule through the month of October. After-worship coffee hour has been paused indefinitely. We will evaluate the local COVID information and data again at the end of October to make a decision regarding November worship schedule. October Indoor/Outdoor Worship Schedule: Sunday, October 17—Outdoor Amphitheater, Sunday, October 22—Indoor Sanctuary, Sunday, October 31—Outdoor Amphitheater

General Fund Financial Offerings Received as of October 7, 2021

Year-to-Date Actuals	Year-to-Date Budget	Over (Under) Budgeted Giving
\$ 135,380.55	\$ 133,577.50	\$ 1,803.05

Monthly Totals (as of September 19, 2021)

Total Revenue: \$147,270.34
Total Expenses (before mortgage): \$126,892.89
Total Expenses (after mortgage): \$169,516.89
Net Revenue (after mortgage payment): -
\$22,246.55
Mortgage Balance: \$328,705.66

This Week at Saint Paul Lutheran

Sunday, October 10

9:00 a.m. Indoor Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

7:00 p.m. SPLASH

Monday, October 11

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, October 12

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 13

1:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Confirmation

Saturday, October 16

9:00 a.m. Food Truck

Sunday, October 17

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

7:00 p.m. SPLASH

Other On-Going Donation Opportunities

Support SPLC While Shopping!

Do you shop online at Amazon?

Did you know you can support the ministries of St. Paul Lutheran by shopping at smile.amazon.com? AmazonSmile donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to our church!

A Weekly Food Donation Reminder

The Food Donation Grocery Cart is in the narthex each Sunday ready to receive your non-perishable food truck donations which are distributed the third Saturday of each month.

Cans For Christ!

Your donated aluminum cans become additional funds to help us meet our general operating expenses at the church. Tell your friends and neighbors to donate their cans for Christ, too!



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